

2024 Livestock Nomination forms and Premiere (carcass) Program instructions.

Nominations for non-premiere lambs and goats: Exhibitors will self-nominate their lambs and goats by filling out the correct nomination forms. Please print these off two sided so the example photo appears on the back side of the lamb & goat nomination form. They will include a close-up photo of the ear with the scrapie tag attached and readable (example on nomination form). **Then the nomination form is signed by Extension staff and exhibitor mails it to Dan Jennings at the Region 1 Extension Office. They will no longer be tattooed.**

Premiere wether & ewe lambs (carcass) will be nominated, tattooed (Box A), and weighed locally in each county. This must be witnessed and processed by Extension employee or whoever they designate, such as volunteer or local sheep superintendent. This will take place anytime from March 15 to May 15, 2024. Please print the 2024 premiere lamb nomination form and copy. **Do not mix up the two different lamb forms – they are clearly marked at the header.** Forms must then be signed by local Extension and mailed to Dan Jennings. No photo of premiere lambs are required. Extension staff will keep a copy for your files when signing to keep until after state fair is over.

1. **We will be using the Box “A” tattoo again this year.** Contact your Extension office to make arrangements to weigh and tattoo premiere (carcass) wether & ewe lambs by May 15.
2. Tattooing of Steers:

All steers will be **tattooed with the box “A” tattoo for 2024.** Steers will also be tagged with 840 EID tags. In addition, the beginning date for steer processing will be Saturday January 27th 2024, and run through February 29th. The Merce County 4-H Beef Weigh-in is February 3, 8 to 10am, at the Mercer County Fairgrounds. Participants must contact the Extension office to register prior to the weigh-in.

All State Fair Junior Show Steers - Premiere and non Premiere steers must be weighed at the time they are tattooed in 2024 and tagged. If steers already have an 840 EID tag in them then please record that number on the nomination sheet and don't put another one in.

Premiere programs information is included with each species' nomination form. Please read through each program outline. Thanks for your cooperation and participation in the Premiere Carcass and Livestock Identification Program.