

Ohio State Fair 4-H Livestock Judging Contest Instructions

Contents of packet received at registration:

- Contestant number (on a white, sticky nametag), which must be always worn visibly on your shirt.
- One Scantron per contestant with their contestant number on the top, right corner.

Items you can have with you:

- Items in the packet you received at registration along with provided class scenarios and data.
- Pencils – #2 pencils for scantron sheets and taking notes.
- Pens – Must be blue or black ink; can be used to take notes.
- Notebook/paper – Plain paper/blank notebook may be used for writing reasons and/or to keep track of your class placings.
- **Clipboard – Needed to fill out the scantron sheet.**

Items you cannot have with you:

- Study materials and resources
- Cell phones or any other electronic devices
- Apparel (shirts, jackets, belt buckles, etc.) that distinguish in any manner who you are or where you are from (i.e., individual name, 4-H club, county, etc.)

Contest instructions:

- JUNIORS – Place up to 8 classes, answer 2 sets of questions in front of animals, and give 2 sets of oral reasons.
- SENIORS – Place up to 8 classes and give 4 sets of oral reasons.
- Do not start judging a class or continue to another class until instructed by an official.
- No talking. Violators may be removed from the contest. If you have a question, ask your group leader. Avoid standing or sitting next to teammates during the contest.
- Scantrons must be turned in to your group leader when all questions are completed. Late scantrons will not be accepted and contestants will be disqualified. It is not the group leader's responsibility to make sure your scantron is completed correctly. If it is not, then you will receive a zero for the class scores.

Placing a class:

- You have 8 class placing columns on a scantron sheet. You may want to write which species corresponds with the class number in your notes.
- The columns containing numbers 1 through 24 are your placing options. Four animals in each pen will be numbered 1 through 4.
- Once you have placed the animals in order from top to bottom, clearly mark the placing with a dark circle on your scantron. Make sure only ONE placing is marked per column. If multiple answers are marked, it will be scored as a zero. See an example on the right.

Class Number
Choose Your
Placing and Mark
with Pencil

		Placing Classes									
		Class Number									
	Place	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		Place
1	1234										1234
2	1243										1243
3	1324										1324
4	1342										1342
5	1423										1423
6	1432										1432
7	2134										2134
8	2143										2143
9	2314										2314
10	2341										2341
11	2413										2413
12	2431										2431
13	3124										3124
14	3142										3142
15	3214										3214
16	3241										3241
17	3412										3412
18	3421										3421
19	4123										4123
20	4132										4132
21	4213										4213
22	4231										4231
23	4312										4312
24	4321										4321

- Turn Over -



Species →

Use first 10 for Goat questions →

Do Not Use

Species →

Choose your answer and mark with pencil →

Class 14

Class 15 - Question

Class 13

Reasons

16 **17**

18 **19**

DO NOT fill in reasons box

Questions:

- Use a #2 PENCIL ONLY! Using a pen will result in a zero score.
- Fill in or darken ONE circle per line corresponding to each question.
- If you change your answer, be sure to fully erase your original choice. Not fully erasing your choice can lead to errors in scoring. Questions with multiple answers will be scored as incorrect.
- You will answer the questions while you are judging the class.
- You will answer either 5 or 10 questions on each species.
- For your answers:
 - Letter A/Number 1 corresponds to animal #1
 - Letter B/Number 2 corresponds to animal #2
 - Letter C/Number 3 corresponds to animal #3
 - Letter D/Number 4 corresponds to animal #4

Oral reasons (SENIORS and JUNIORS):

- There are NO reasons cards in the packet. Take notes while you are judging the class about the animals to remember when preparing for your oral reasons.
- Write down how you placed the class. You will NOT get your scantron back to prepare for oral reasons.
- Reasons officials will have a score sheet with your contestant number on it. They only know who you are by that number/letter combination. **Wear your number on your shirt throughout the contest.**
- **DO NOT** fill in the Reasons box on the righthand column. See example above.

DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION? ASK AN OFFICIAL OR GROUP LEADER.



Example Scantron Sheet

Livestock

Form #: 476-3

Team Name

101 A

Team #
0
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9

Code

0
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9

State	Last Name	First Name
A	A	A
B	B	B
C	C	C
D	D	D
E	E	E
F	F	F
G	G	G
H	H	H
I	I	I
J	J	J
K	K	K
L	L	L
M	M	M
N	N	N
O	O	O
P	P	P
Q	Q	Q
R	R	R
S	S	S
T	T	T
U	U	U
V	V	V
W	W	W
X	X	X
Y	Y	Y
Z	Z	Z

Place	Class Number								Place			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8				
1	1	2	3	4					1	2	3	4
2	1	2	4	3					1	2	4	3
3	1	3	2	4					1	3	2	4
4	1	3	4	2					1	3	4	2
5	1	4	2	3					1	4	2	3
6	1	4	3	2					1	4	3	2
7	2	1	3	4					2	1	3	4
8	2	1	4	3					2	1	4	3
9	2	3	1	4					2	3	1	4
10	2	3	4	1					2	3	4	1
11	2	4	1	3					2	4	1	3
12	2	4	3	1					2	4	3	1
13	3	1	2	4					3	1	2	4
14	3	1	4	2					3	1	4	2
15	3	2	1	4					3	2	1	4
16	3	2	4	1					3	2	4	1
17	3	4	1	2					3	4	1	2
18	3	4	2	1					3	4	2	1
19	4	1	2	3					4	1	2	3
20	4	1	3	2					4	1	3	2
21	4	2	1	3					4	2	1	3
22	4	2	3	1					4	2	3	1
23	4	3	1	2					4	3	1	2
24	4	3	2	1					4	3	2	1

Do Not Use

No.	Keep	Cull	Keep	Cull	Keep	Cull
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						

Class 14

Do Not Use

Ani	N	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
1											
2											
3											
4											
5											

Do Not Use

No.	Size	Thickness
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		

Class 15 - Question

Beef	Sheep	Swine
1	1	1
2	2	2
3	3	3
4	4	4
5	5	5
6	6	6
7	7	7
8	8	8
9	9	9
10	10	10

Class 13

Goat

1	A	B	C	D	E
2	A	B	C	D	E
3	A	B	C	D	E
4	A	B	C	D	E
5	A	B	C	D	E
6	A	B	C	D	E
7	A	B	C	D	E
8	A	B	C	D	E
9	A	B	C	D	E
10	A	B	C	D	E
11	A	B	C	D	E
12	A	B	C	D	E
13	A	B	C	D	E
14	A	B	C	D	E
15	A	B	C	D	E
16	A	B	C	D	E
17	A	B	C	D	E
18	A	B	C	D	E
19	A	B	C	D	E
20	A	B	C	D	E
21	A	B	C	D	E
22	A	B	C	D	E
23	A	B	C	D	E
24	A	B	C	D	E
25	A	B	C	D	E

Reasons

16	17
0	0
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
18	19
0	0
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9

