

## **ROOKS COUNTY 4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK CODE OF ETHICS**

*(This section is for ALL livestock exhibitors; horse, beef, sheep, swine, dog, dairy, goat, poultry, rabbit.)*

I believe that my participation in the Rooks County 4-H and FFA Livestock Program should demonstrate my own ability, knowledge, and skill as a trainer, feeder and fitter of livestock. I will do my own work and only accept advice and support from others.

I certify that I have enrolled in the 4-H or FFA projects for which I am showing and have participated in the educational programs offered pertaining to this project. In addition, I understand and have met all ownership, weigh-in, tagging, health, and other identification requirements of the project.

In conducting my project, I will not use abusive or questionable techniques in the buying, feeding, training, fitting, showing, or general care of my animals prior to or during the fair. I will not resort to fraudulent, illegal, or deceptive practices when buying, fitting, or showing animals. I will not allow my parents, leaders, teachers, agents, or other adults to employ such practices on my behalf.

I will read and understand the rules of all livestock shows in which I am a participant. I ask that my parents, leaders, teachers, agents, or other adults not break the rules or make exceptions on my behalf. I agree to conduct myself in a sportsmanlike manner, accepting both praise and critique gracefully. I shall not directly criticize or interfere with show judges, fair or show management, or other exhibitors.

I wish for my livestock project to be an example of how to accept what life has to offer---good and bad---and how to live with the outcome. I realize that I am responsible for: the proper care and treatment of my animals, the production of wholesome food, and the development of sound moral character in myself and others, and that my actions reflect directly upon me, my family, my club, and the 4-H and FFA organizations in Rooks County and in Kansas. Therefore, I agree to abide by the Livestock Code of Ethics and the Kansas 4-H Events Code of Ethics.

### **Market Animal Drug Withdrawal Form**

*(This Section to be completed by exhibitors showing and selling market animals through the livestock sale.)*

I am aware that many chemical substances used in livestock production and showing have withdrawal times before slaughter. Such products could be: implants, feed additives, vaccines, medications, medicated shampoos, insect repellants, premises sprays, and pesticides on grazing areas. I also know that tranquilizers and other non-approved substances should not be used in food animals.

I certify that: (mark all that apply)

I have read the Livestock Ethics rules contained in the Fair Book.

I have followed recommended production practices and that I have not abused my animal or administered unlabeled or illegal substances.

while in my ownership, my animals have never been given any labeled substances which required a withdrawal time before slaughter.

I have given labeled over-the-counter or prescription substances under the direction of my veterinarian and am providing the following withdrawal information. I understand that if withdrawal has not been met, I am still allowed to show and sell through the premium auction. However, I must buy the animal back and feed it through the required withdrawal time at which time it will be slaughtered.

4-H /FFA Tag Number	Medication or Treatment	Date Given	Withdrawal Clear Date	Not Cleared, I will Buy Back

**(Signature section to be completed by ALL livestock exhibitors and their parent or guardian.)**

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Exhibitor Signature

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Date

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Parent or Guardian Signature

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Date

