



## Wayne County Junior Fair

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### IMPORTANT CUSTOM MEAT PROCESSING INFORMATION

We have all felt the stress COVID-19 has put on our personal and professional lives. An industry that has strongly felt the impact is agriculture, specifically custom meat processors. They have worked tirelessly to keep the food chain open. With their schedules and processing capacity being limited, we have worked together to develop a plan to ensure that our buyers can still be served with the same quality experience and products they expect. The procedure you **MUST** follow to have an animal processed from the Wayne County Junior Fair Livestock Auction is described below:

**IN ORDER TO GET THE MEAT FROM THE ANIMAL YOU BUY  
YOU MUST RESERVE A SLOT TO HAVE THE ANIMAL CUSTOM PROCESSED**

*\*no additional options of custom processing will be offered at the time of the fair*

Processing slot must be secured before the start of the fair. Your processing slots are non-transferable. We encourage you to only sign up for a slot if you have full intention to purchase an animal for processing. Each buyer is allotted only 1 slot for each species for example, you can reserve a slot for 1 lamb, 1 goat, 1 hog, and 1 steer. We have nearly to the same number of custom processing slots available as in years past.

On **July 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am** the registration for slots will open. They are available on a first come first serve basis. This registration will be open until August 1<sup>st</sup> at noon, or until the spots are full, whichever comes first. If all the slots are not filled by **July 20<sup>th</sup> 9:00am** we will open up the sign up for a buyer to get additional animals processed. The slots that are available are the maximum number, we will not be offering any more in consideration of our processors' capacity. We hope to fill all of the processing slots before the start of the fair.

When you arrive at the sale you will be given a special card for each of your processing spots. When you are bidding on an animal and win the bid you **MUST** hold your special card in the air for the auctioneers to collect. This card will contain your name and your processor information, the staff will add on to it the animals ID.

The custom processor will be given your name, phone number, and species you requested to be processed before the fair starts. Please be prepared for the processor to contact you with your processing requests before the fair starts. This makes the process more streamlined for all parties involved.

*\*If you have already reserved a spot earlier this year for a fair animal, with your custom processor of choice, the processor intends to honor your reservation.*

*Poultry and rabbit processing will be conducted as normal. (you do not need to reserve slots)*

*The Dairy Products Auction will be conducted as normal.*

#### **How to Reserve Processing**

1. On July 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am go to **[go.osu.edu/sale2020](https://go.osu.edu/sale2020)** (case sensitive)
2. Select the type of animal you want and the processor you wish to send your animal to.  
*Example: Market Hog- Canaan Meats -1*
3. Hit the large green "submit and sign up" button at the bottom of the page
4. It will then take you to a screen to put in your bidder number (that is in this packet,) your name, email, and phone number. All of these fields are required.
5. Once you have submitted your reservation for a slot, you will get a confirmation email. The office will also get a confirmation email. *No one but the office can see who has reserved which slots.*
6. The first week of August you will receive an email from the office reminding you of the custom slots you have reserved.