

2026 Richwood Fair Livestock Requirement Summary**

Market Beef (Steers & Market Heifers)

Exhibit Limit	Must follow Union County Fair (UCF) Rules. Steers & Market Heifers will be exhibited at UCF.
Ownership Deadline	Must follow Union County Fair Rules (UCF). Steers & Market Heifers will be exhibited at UCF.
Tag-in Required	MUST submit identification forms online by Jan. 6, 2026.
Quality Assurance	Youth exhibitors must participate in Quality Assurance Education (QA) by June 1 to be eligible to show. See Quality Assurance Flyer for approved QA options.
Skillathon	Beef Skillathon: Union County Fair (UCF) Wednesday, July 29, 9 am (Armory) Skillathon can be completed at only one fair.
Fair Weigh-in	Must follow Union County Fair (UCF) Rules. Steers & Market Heifers will be exhibited at UCF.
Show Time	Must follow Union County Fair (UCF) Rules. Steers & Market Heifers will be exhibited at UCF.
Entries	Must follow Union County Fair (UCF) Rules. Steers & Market Heifers will be exhibited at UCF.
Weight & Other Requirements	Must follow Union County Fair (UCF) Rules. Steers & Market Heifers will be exhibited at UCF.
Health Requirements	Must follow Union County Fair (UCF) Rules. Steers & Market Heifers will be exhibited at UCF.

Beef Breeding (Heifers)

Exhibit Limit	No limit on number of entries per class in Beef Breeding Classes.
Ownership Deadline	June 1
Tag-in Required	None
Quality Assurance	Youth exhibitors must participate in Quality Assurance Education (QA) by July 1 to be eligible to show. See Quality Assurance Flyer for approved QA options.
Skillathon	Beef Skillathon: (Pavilion), Wednesday, September 2, 10:45 am.
Fair Weigh-in	No Weigh-in. No weight requirement, not eligible for Junior Fair Livestock Sale.
Show Time	Show: Saturday, September 5, 2 pm
Entries	Orange fair entry cards with advisor signature must be in by 4 pm on August 1.
Weight & Other Requirements	Enter in appropriate class based on age of animal.
Health Requirements	No health papers required.

Beef Feeder Calves

Exhibit Limit	May tag and show a maximum of 2 beef feeders.
Ownership Deadline	August 1
Tag-in Required	Must submit the online identification survey by August 1.
Quality Assurance	Youth exhibitors must participate in Quality Assurance Education (QA) by July 1 to be eligible to show. See Quality Assurance Flyer for approved QA options.
Skillathon	Beef Skillathon: (Pavilion), Wednesday, September 2, 10:45 am.
Fair Weigh-in	Weigh-in: Wednesday, September 2, 8:30 am This animal is eligible for the Jr. Fair Livestock Auction.
Show Time	Show: Saturday, September 5, 2 pm
Entries	Orange fair entry cards with advisor signature must be in by 4 pm August 1.
Weight & Other Requirements	Must weigh under 899 pounds. Animals must be a beef breed or beef cross steer or market heifer dehorned by July 15.
Health Requirements	No health papers required. DUNF forms must be completed online prior to arrival.

Dairy Feeders

Exhibit Limit	May show maximum of 2 animals (can tag-in maximum of 4)
Ownership Deadline	June 1
Tag-in Required	Must bring animal to tag-in, vaccination, and testing on June 6 between 9 am - 11 am. To be eligible to show as a Dairy Feeder, calves must be a minimum of 51% dairy breeds (Red or Black Holstein or Brown Swiss). Any calf testing more than 51% beef will be entered into the Beef Feeder show.
Quality Assurance	Youth exhibitors must participate in Quality Assurance Education (QA) by July 1 to be eligible to show. See Quality Assurance Flyer for approved QA options.
Skillathon	Beef Skillathon: (Pavilion), Wednesday, September 2, 10:45 am
Fair Weigh-in	Weigh-in: Wednesday, September 2, 8:30 am
Show Time	Show: Saturday, September 5 at 2 p.m.
Entries	Orange fair entry cards with advisor signature must be in by 4 pm on August 1.
Weight & Other Requirements	Must be dehorned and castrated male by June 1 st . Can be purebred Dairy or Dairy Beef Crossbred (less than 50% beef breeds). Must weigh between 400 and 700 lbs. Any animal not within this weight range will NOT be permitted to sell in the Jr. Fair Livestock Sale.
Health Requirements	No health papers required. DUNF forms must be completed online prior to arrival.

Market Hogs

Exhibit Limit	May show maximum of 3 single hogs. Maximum of 2 per sex to be shown. Maximum 6 tagged.
Ownership Deadline	June 1
Tag-in Required	Photo ID forms required!!! Must submit online self-tag in identification and photos by 11:59 pm June 5. A Maximum of 6 head may be registered.
Quality Assurance	Youth exhibitors must participate in Quality Assurance Education (QA) by July 1 to be eligible to show. See Quality Assurance Flyer for approved QA options.
Skillathon	Swine Skillathon Wednesday, September 2, All ages at 12:00 p.m.
Fair Weigh-in	Weigh-in: Wednesday, September 2, 8:30 a.m.
Show Time	Show: Thursday, September 3, 4 p.m. Show begins with showmanship and ends with market classes.
Entries	Orange fair entry cards with advisor signature must be in by 4 p.m. on August 1.
Weight & Other Requirements	Must weigh between 210 and 300 lbs. Any animal not within this weight range will NOT be permitted to sell in the Jr. Fair Livestock Sale. Must have minimum of ½ inch hair length.
Health Requirements	No health papers required. DUNF forms must be completed online prior to arrival.

Market Lambs

Exhibit Limit	May tag-in maximum of 6. May show maximum of 4 individual lambs, 2 ewes and 2 wethers.
Ownership Deadline	June 1
Tag-in Required	Must submit Scrapie tag registration, identification form, and photos online by 11:59 pm June 5.
Quality Assurance	Youth exhibitors must participate in Quality Assurance Education (QA) by July 1 to be eligible to show. See Quality Assurance Flyer for approved QA options.
Skillathon	Sheep Skillathon, Wednesday, September 2 at 9:30 a.m.
Fair Weigh-in	Weigh-in: Tuesday, September 1, 9:30 p.m.
Show Time	Sheep Show: Friday, September 4 at 4:00 p.m.
Entries	Orange fair entry cards with advisor signature must be in by 4 p.m. on August 1.
Weight & Other Requirements	Must weigh a minimum of 95 lbs. to sell. Any animal less than 95 lbs. will NOT be permitted to sell in the Jr. Fair Livestock Sale. All lambs must be shown slick shorn. All wethers must be properly castrated by June 1.
Health Requirements	All animals (ewes and rams) must have USDA approved scrapie tag. DUNF forms must be completed online prior to arrival.

****Information is a summary only, not meant to replace the official fair paper. Information known as of January 2026. Subject to change by Fair Board.**

Breeding Sheep

Exhibit Limit	Only 1 entry per class.
Ownership Deadline	June 1
Tag-in Required	None
Quality Assurance	Youth exhibitors must participate in Quality Assurance Education (QA) by July 1 to be eligible to show. See Quality Assurance Flyer for approved QA options.
Skillathon	Sheep Skillathon, Wednesday, September 2 at 9:30 a.m.
Fair Weigh-in	No Weigh-in
Show Time	Sheep Show: Friday, September 4, at 4:00 p.m.
Entries	Orange fair entry cards with advisor signature must be in by 4 p.m. on August 1.
Weight & Other Requirements	May show ewes or rams in appropriate age classes.
Health Requirements	All animals (ewes and rams) must have USDA approved scrapie tag.

Market Goats

Exhibit Limit	May tag in maximum of 6 goats. May show maximum of 4, 2 does and 2 wethers.
Ownership Deadline	June 1
Tag-in Required	Must submit Scrapie tag registration and identification form and photos online by 11:59 pm June 5. Market Goats must be dehorned.
Quality Assurance	Youth exhibitors must participate in Quality Assurance Education (QA) by July 1 to be eligible to show. See Quality Assurance Flyer for approved QA options.
Skillathon	Goat Skillathon – Thursday, September 3, 9 :30 a.m.
Fair Weigh-in	Weigh-in: Tuesday, September 1 at 9:00 p.m.
Show Time	Goat Show: Wednesday, September 2, at 4:00 p.m. Show will begin with Showmanship Classes, then Breeding Classes, followed by Market Classes.
Entries	Orange fair entry cards with advisor signature must be in by 4 pm on August 1.
Weight & Other Requirements	Must weigh a minimum of 55 lbs. Any animal less than 55 lbs. will NOT be permitted to sell in the Jr. Fair Livestock Sale. Market Goats may be does or wethers. Must be dehorned and castrated by June 1.
Health Requirements	All market animals must have USDA approved scrapie tag. DUNF forms must be completed online prior to arrival.

Breeding Goats

Exhibit Limit	May show maximum of 1 entry per breed class.
Ownership Deadline	June 1
Tag-in Required	None
Quality Assurance	Youth exhibitors must participate in Quality Assurance Education (QA) by July 1 to be eligible to show. See Quality Assurance Flyer for approved QA options.
Skillathon	Goat Skillathon –Thursday, September 3, 9 :30 a.m.
Fair Weigh-in	No Weigh-in
Show Time	Goat Show: Wednesday, September 2, at 4:00 p.m. Show will begin with Showmanship Classes, then Breeding Classes, followed by Market Classes.
Entries	Orange fair entry cards with advisor signature must be in by 4 p.m. on August 1.
Weight & Other Requirements	Breeding goats are permitted to have horns. Note: No classes are offered for goats over 2 years of age.
Health Requirements	All animals must have USDA approved scrapie tag OR tattoos and registration papers. DUNF required for lactating dairy goats. DUNF forms must be completed online prior to arrival.

Market Rabbits

Exhibit Limit	Can tattoo 6 animals, can show 1 Pen of 3. Family tags are permitted; must be in same household.
Ownership Deadline	Must own animals by August 8.
Tag-in Required	Mandatory tattooing on Saturday, August 8, 9 – 11 a.m. at the fairgrounds Rabbit Barn area.
Quality Assurance	Youth exhibitors must participate in Quality Assurance Education (QA) by July 1 to be eligible to show. See Quality Assurance Flyer for approved QA options.
Skillathon	Rabbit Skillathon – Wednesday, September 2, 1:30 pm
Fair Weigh-in	Weigh-in: Tuesday, September 1, 6:15 pm. Test scales are available 1 hour before weigh-in.
Show Time	Rabbit Show: Thursday, September 3, at 9 a.m. beginning with showmanship classes.
Entries	Orange fair entry cards with advisor signature must be in by 4 p.m. on August 1.
Weight & Other Requirements	Each rabbit in a pen must weigh between 3 ½ and 5 ½ lbs. to be shown and Jr. Fair Livestock Sale eligible. Any pen with an individual rabbit which is not within this weight range is ineligible to sell in the Jr. Fair Livestock Sale. Rabbit pens sold in Jr. Fair Sale are terminal (all go to the resale bidder). 4-H members must be enrolled in Project #228MA, Market Rabbits.
Health Requirements	DUNF forms must be completed online prior to arrival. (One form per whole pen). Will be veterinarian inspected at the fair.

Breeding Rabbits

Exhibit Limit	Maximum entries per exhibitor: Jr. age exhibitor = 2 entries; Intermediate age exhibitor = 3 entries; 14 – 18 year olds – 4 entries. (Age as of 1/1/26).
Ownership Deadline	June 1
Tag-in Required	None
Quality Assurance	Not Required
Skillathon	Rabbit Skillathon – Wednesday, September 2, 1:30 pm
Fair Weigh-in	None
Show Time	Rabbit Show: Thursday, September 3, at 9 a.m. beginning with showmanship classes. Breeding rabbits are not weighed as they are not eligible for the Junior Fair Livestock Sale.
Entries	Orange fair entry cards with advisor signature must be in by 4 p.m. on August 1.
Weight & Other Requirements	This is not an ARBA Show but animals must show predominate breed characteristics. 4-H members must be enrolled in Project #228BR, Breeding Rabbit. All rabbits must have permanent ID.
Health Requirements	No health papers required. Will be veterinarian inspected at the fair.

Market Turkeys

Exhibit Limit	Turkeys: Can show 1 commercial Tom Turkey. Must be broad breasted variety, either white or bronze.
Ownership Deadline	Turkeys: 48 hours after hatching. Must have been hatched on or after May 20, 2026.
Tag-in Required	None
Quality Assurance	Youth exhibitors must participate in Quality Assurance Education (QA) by July 1 to be eligible to show. See Quality Assurance Flyer for approved QA options.
Skillathon	Poultry Skillathon – Thursday, September 3, 11:00 a.m.
Fair Weigh-in	Turkeys will not be weighed.
Showmanship Time	Poultry Show and Showmanship, Wednesday, September 2, at 9 am. Market Turkeys will be sold in Jr. Fair Livestock Sale. Exhibitors must submit sale designation form immediately following Poultry show to be eligible to sell.
Entries	Orange fair entry cards with advisor signature must be in by 4 p.m. on August 1.
Weight & Other Requirements	Turkeys may be debeaked, de-toed, or any practice accepted in the commercial production of meat turkeys.
Health Requirements	Must present NPIP hatchery papers at check in.

Market Chickens (Broilers)

Exhibit Limit	Must bring 1 pen of 4 Broilers and will show 3 of the 4.
Ownership Deadline	Must have been hatched on or after July 15, 2026 and owned within 48 hours of hatch date.
Tag-in Required	None
Quality Assurance	Youth exhibitors must participate in Quality Assurance Education (QA) by July 1 to be eligible to show. See Quality Assurance Flyer for approved QA options.
Skillathon	Poultry Skillathon – Thursday, September 3, 11:00 a.m.
Fair Weigh-in	Pen of 4 Weigh-in: Tuesday, September 1, 6:15 pm. A scale to test weights will be available 5:15-6:15.
Showmanship Time	Poultry Show and Showmanship: Wednesday, September 2, at 9 a.m.
Entries	Orange fair entry cards with advisor signature must be in by 4 p.m. on August 1.
Weight & Other Requirements	Each bird must weigh a minimum of 4 lbs. and a maximum of 7 lbs. Any pen with an individual bird which is not within this weight range is ineligible to sell in the Jr. Fair Livestock Sale.
Health Requirements	Must present NPIP hatchery papers at weigh-in.

***Only Market Turkeys and Market Broilers will be included in the Junior Fair Livestock Sale. ***

Fancy Poultry, Pullets, Ducks & Geese, Exhibition Turkey

Exhibit Limit	Only 1 entry per class. Exhibits consist of 1 to 3 birds. See junior fair rules for class details.
Ownership Deadline	June 1 for Fancy Poultry, Pullets & Geese. For Market Duck: must be owned 48 hours after hatching; hatched on or after June 17, 2026.
Tag-in Required	None
Quality Assurance	Not Required except for Market Duck. Youth exhibitors of Market Ducks must participate in Quality Assurance Education (QA) by July 1 to be eligible to show. See Quality Assurance Flyer for approved QA options.
Skillathon	Poultry Skillathon – Thursday, September 3, 11:00 a.m.
Fair Weigh-in	None
Showmanship Time	Poultry Show and Showmanship: Wednesday, September 2, at 9 a.m.
Entries	Orange fair entry cards with advisor signature must be in by 4 p.m. on August 1.
Weight & Other Requirements	Not eligible for Junior Fair Livestock Sale.
Health Requirements	NPIP papers required at check in.

Animals will be vet checked at the gate before moving into the fair. Any others arriving outside those timeframes will be turned away.

All males must be castrated and all market projects must be dehorned by tag-in date.

All animals selling through the Junior Fair Sale, excluding beef feeders and poultry, must go on the resale truck.

.Jr. Fair Horses: Blue Horse Picture Cards due May 1st