



FAIR DATES:

July 17 – August 2, 2020
Junior Market Week: July 16 – 20

DNA RESERVATION AND COLLECTION INFORMATION

EXHIBITORS will be responsible for the DNA Collection for All SPECIES (Market Steers, Market Sheep, Market Barrows, Market Goats, Wether Dam & Wether Sire Sheep, Crossbred Gilts, and Wether Dam Does)

Dear Junior Exhibitor:

We are excited to announce we will be continuing our successful online DNA registration collection process for all species (Market Steers, Market Sheep, Market Barrows, Market Goats, Wether Dam & Wether Sire Sheep, Crossbred Gilts, and Wether Dam Does). Upon completing the ON-LINE DNA registration process you will receive a sample collection kit to be used for the hair sample collection procedure. Please note the DEADLINES for requesting kits and returning completed samples are listed below:

MARKET STEERS

DEADLINE FOR REQUESTING A KIT FOR DELIVERY VIA STANDARD US POSTAL MAIL **MARCH 6, 2020**
COMPLETED SAMPLE HAIR COLLECTION **must be in our office by MARCH 19, 2020**

MARKET SHEEP, MARKET BARROWS AND MARKET GOATS

DEADLINE FOR REQUESTING A KIT FOR DELIVERY VIA STANDARD US POSTAL MAIL **MAY 6, 2020**
COMPLETED SAMPLE HAIR COLLECTION **must be in our office by MAY 19, 2020**

JUNIOR WETHER DAM & WETHER SIRE SHEEP, CROSSBRED GILT & WETHER DAM DOE

DEADLINE FOR REQUESTING A KIT FOR DELIVERY VIA STANDARD US POSTAL MAIL **JUNE 3, 2020**
COMPLETED SAMPLE HAIR COLLECTION **must be in our office by JUNE 17, 2020**

No Market Animal, Sheep, Crossbred Gilt, or Wether Dam Doe entry will be eligible for official entry unless this sample is obtained and an official DNA Registration Form has been completed. **All samples will be collected by the exhibitor and a parent or leader (NO EXCEPTIONS).** Your cancelled check and/or postage receipt will serve as your receipt. You will not receive notification from the California State Fair upon receipt of your sample.

PLEASE NOTE: This process does not enter your animal into the 2020 California State Fair, it is only a part of the necessary requirements you will need for the market division, Wether Dam/Sire Sheep, Crossbred Gilt, and Wether Dam Doe Show. All animals are required to be officially entered by the owner, pay the entry fee and do so by the official entry deadline June 17, 2020. Failure to comply with the following deadlines shall result in disqualification for competition in the 2020 California State Fair.

Go to our website at <http://www.CAStateFair.org/junior-livestock/> and click on the link "Register to receive your DNA Kit" to request your DNA collection kit(s).

✓ Quality Assurance & Ethics Training Policy for 2020

As a requirement for entry, **ALL** junior livestock exhibitors are required to participate in an online Quality Assurance & Ethics Training Program, Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA), prior to July 5, 2020. Please visit our website for information regarding Youth for the Quality Care of Animals.

Should you have questions please contact our entry office at (916) 263-3149 or you may email our office at entryoffice@calexpo.com.

Competition Handbooks will be available soon. Please refer to the **New for 2020** section for updated rules. Please note the entry deadline is on a Wednesday!