



**FAIR DATES:**

July 12 – 28, 2024

Junior Market Week: July 11 – 15

**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 1, 2024**  
COMPLETED SAMPLE HAIR COLLECTION **must be in our office by MARCH 14, 2024**

**MARKET SHEEP, MARKET BARROWS AND MARKET GOATS**

DEADLINE FOR REQUESTING A KIT FOR DELIVERY VIA STANDARD US POSTAL MAIL **MAY 3, 2024**  
COMPLETED SAMPLE HAIR COLLECTION **must be in our office by MAY 14, 2024**

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

DEADLINE FOR REQUESTING A KIT FOR DELIVERY VIA STANDARD US POSTAL MAIL **JUNE 1, 2024**  
COMPLETED SAMPLE HAIR COLLECTION **must be in our office by JUNE 12, 2024**

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).** You will request your DNA kits through ShoWorks and prepay for your kits. 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 2024 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 12, 2024. Failure to comply with the following deadlines shall result in disqualification for competition in the 2024 California State Fair.**

Go to our website at <https://bit.ly/CSFshowworks> register as an exhibitor

Select Livestock DNA as the Department, then select your species.

Please note this is NOT the same ShoWorks you will enter your animal into the fair!

✓ Quality Assurance & Ethics Training Policy for 2024

**All Junior Exhibitors** are required to complete YQCA training prior to July 3, 2024. If Exhibitors took YQCA in 2023 they do not need to retake for the 2024 California State Fair. They will need to submit a copy of their certificate with their detailed receipt.

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

Competition Handbooks will be available soon. Please refer to the **New for 2024** section for updated rules. Please note the entry deadline is on a Wednesday!