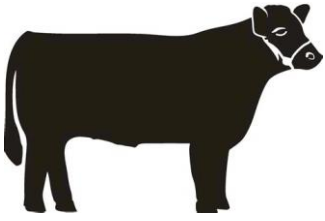


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# 2020 Walworth County Junior Beef Weigh-in

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The annual Walworth County Junior Beef Weigh-In will be held on **Saturday, February 1** in the calf barn at the Walworth County Fairgrounds from **9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** The snow date is February 8. All steers must be weighed and tagged on this date in order to be exhibited and sold at the 2020 Walworth County Fair. Steers will be weighed on a family basis (rather than a member basis). The steers will then be identified by member at weigh-in during fair week.

## GUIDELINES

- For everyone's safety, all steers must be broken to lead at the time of this weigh-in.
- Each member can weigh up to eight steers.
- All steers must be dehorned prior to weigh-in, or they will not be weighed or identified.
- Steers brought to weigh-in with bull leads or wires through noses will not be allowed to weigh.
- Members must report to the recording table while their steer is in the chutes. Make sure all information on the weigh-in forms you turn in is accurate.
- If someone other than you will be bringing your steer/s, be sure that person knows your address, grade, club/chapter, phone number, etc. They have to fill forms out for you.
- Know ahead of time if you wish to make a *Carcass Contest* entry. There is a \$5 non-refundable fee for carcass entries. Carcass steers count as one of the eight steers you can weigh. Dairy beef and dairy steers are also eligible for *Carcass Contest* and must be identified at the weigh-in. Carcass Contest entry checks should be made payable to *Walworth County Fair*.
- Walworth County steers will have DNA drawn at weigh-in.
- Following weigh-in, any lost tags must be reported to Superintendent Doc Sterken as soon as they are noticed. Steers will be retagged and replacement tag numbers will be recorded.
- If weigh-in must be cancelled due to inclement weather, the cancellation will be posted on the *Walworth County Jr. Beef Project* Facebook page. Additionally, an email will be sent to 4-Hers enrolled in the Beef Project, FFA advisors, and FFA members who showed market beef in 2019.
- Tattoos will be read prior to the show.

## STATE FAIR STEERS

- Steers being shown at both the county fair and State Fair may tag and have DNA drawn at the county weigh-in, and it WILL count for both shows.
- **May 21, 2020** is the State Fair postmark deadline for Junior Market Steer identification and Junior Show Commercial Heifer/Non-Registered Junior Show Beef Breeding Stock DNA Identification (if sent in independently). It is also the State Fair YQCA Certification Deadline for 2020.

## OTHER IMPORTANT ITEMS

- The *Walworth County Junior Beef Fitting & Clipping Clinic* will be held at the Fairgrounds on Saturday, **March 21**. Details will be forthcoming.
- Walworth County members must be YQCA certified in order to register for Junior Beef classes for this year's Walworth County Fair. Plan to certify by participating in face-to-face training or by completing on-line training by mid-April, so you are ready to sign-up for fair classes when the fair entry system goes live. Learn more at this link: <https://walworth.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/01/Walworth-County-YQCA-Guidelines-for-2020.pdf>

## QUESTIONS?

Contact Junior Beef Superintendent Doc Sterken at [262-949-5890](tel:262-949-5890).

