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4-H/FFA Member & Family, Market Animal Memorandum of Understanding

I _____ along with my parents/legal guardian agree by signing below that we understand the following about the 4-H/FFA market animal program:

- Following 4-H/FFA rules, including, but not limited to, code of conduct, ethics expectations, and general rules and guidelines in the Exhibitor's Handbook is a pre-requisite to selling a market animal.
- Participant may weigh ONE (1) animal ONE (1) time at the fair; this animal must meet the required weight boundaries in order to sell at the market animal auction.
- Only animals who receive a blue or red ribbon in their market class are eligible to sell at market sale.
- Participant is responsible for the market animal, including, but not limited to: feed, water, clean environment, etc., until the animal is loaded on the truck for departure.
- The Auction Board/Committee will promote, facilitate and administer the auction in behalf of the 4-H/FFA member. This includes:
 - Hiring auctioneers, accepting bids, and receiving and managing all monies related to the sale of participant's livestock animal.
 - Paying all bills related to the auction and the sale of participating animals
 - Promoting and advertising the sale in various ways
 - Providing a buyers' appreciation event
 - Arranging "re-sale" or "floor" buyers and trucking to and from their location.
- The Auction Board/Committee will retain 5% of each 4-H/FFA member's gross sale for the purpose of market sale administration.
 - Of this 5%, if all funds are not necessary to pay the related expenses, remaining funds will be available to Deschutes County 4-H/FFA programs for special projects, scholarship, etc. These funds are available by application, and an approval vote of the majority of Auction Board members.
- All animals sold at the market animal auction are terminal. All livestock animals are slaughtered at a USDA inspected plant.
 - Live animals will not go home with buyers for any purpose.
 - All animals sold at the sale will be loaded on the arranged transportation and be killed according to the arrangements and time line made by the Auction Board. (An exception might be a sick animal needing immediate action)
- All questions regarding the market animal sale can be directed to your FFA Advisor, 4-H Extension Agent, 4-H Superintendent, or Auction Board member.

4-H/FFA Member Signature

Member's Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

4-H/FFA Member Name – PRINT PLEASE

SPECIES: Sheep Goat Beef Hog
(circle one)