



# California Mid-State Fair Livestock Show Newsletter



**MID-STATE FAIR  
MARKET**

*Outdoor Market*  
FREE ADMISSION

FRIDAY, MARCH 11  
12 - 5 PM

SATURDAY, MARCH 12  
10 AM - 5 PM

SUNDAY, MARCH 13  
10 AM - 5 PM

**FULL STEAM  
AHEAD!**

**JULY 20-31  
2022**

## YQCA Update!

Please see the latest correspondence from CDFA for more information!

## Prop 12

The latest information from CDFA is attached

## DNA

### Reminder:

DNA Kits are now available to purchase!

Replacement Heifer and Market Steer DNA kits are due March 28<sup>th</sup>.

Market Swine, Goat and Sheep DNA kits are due May 25<sup>th</sup>.

The 2022 Handbook and schedule will be finalized and included in our next newsletter!

## FULL STEAM AHEAD!

### Attention all Market Goat Exhibitors - Weight Change for 2022!!

The CMSF sent out a newsletter changing the goat weights to 60-85 lbs to keep in line with the industry standard. Upon further research the Ag Committee found alternative solutions to the processing of goats over 85 lbs. and we are now able to increase the top end of our Market Goat weights as follows.

| Species     | Min Weight | Max Pay Weight | Max Show Weight |
|-------------|------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Market Goat | 60 lbs.    | 105 lbs.       | 110 lbs.        |

### New Livestock Show Opportunities for 2022!!

Costumes are not just for Halloween! Don't miss our new costume classes for 2022 with your pygmy goat, poultry or rabbit! We will also continue to offer the sheep and goat costume contests.



Pygmy Goats are coming to CSMF in 2022! Need some assistance in finding a Pygmy? Nicole Darnton, Pygmy Goat leader of Edna 4-H, has volunteered to help anyone that needs assistance! Contact her via email at [nicole.darnton@gmail.com](mailto:nicole.darnton@gmail.com) or (805) 431-9533  
Thank you Nicole!

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MEMO

Date: March 7, 2022

To: YQCA Parents and Youth

From: Jennifer Hawkins, YQCA Program Manager on behalf of the YQCA Executive Board of Directors

RE: Preparation for YQCA Platform Transition

Greetings from the YQCA Executive Board of Directors. We hope 2022 is off to a great start! As a YQCA partner and customer, we wanted to make you aware of a recent decision our organization has made regarding the future of our program. After five years of working together, our contract with RegistrationMax has come to an end, and it is time to begin a new chapter to better serve you through this certification program. In short, it was time for an update! Our certification program represents the top-of-the-line training in food safety, humane animal care, and life skill development for youth. We are confident that the new website platform will match the same level of quality.

We are preparing for the move to the new platform which will launch on March 23, 2022! There are several important things for you to know and do in preparation for this transition. YQCA has been trying to obtain data from our current technology partner that would allow us to transfer information from one platform to the other without recreating accounts, trainings, etc. To date we've been unable to access this data and cannot guarantee we will receive this data prior to March 23<sup>rd</sup>. We recognize this is a busy time of year and not ideal to add these new steps, but it's necessary given the lack of data we've currently received. Please review the action items below and reach out if questions arise.

- Download your current and valid YQCA certificate on or before March 22, 2022.
- If you are currently registered for a YQCA web-based training be sure to complete this training on or before March 22<sup>nd</sup> and download your current and valid YQCA certificate by the 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- If you are currently registered for a YQCA instructor-led training that will be completed on or before March 22<sup>nd</sup>, complete the training as planned and download your current and valid YQCA certificate by the 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- If you are current registered for a YQCA instructor-led training that is scheduled for March 23<sup>rd</sup> or after, cancel that registration so you can receive a refund to your credit/debit card and/or re-activate the coupon used for payment.
- As early as March 23, 2022, create a new account at [yqcaprogram.org](http://yqcaprogram.org). A help sheet will be released on March 23<sup>rd</sup> detailing the steps to create accounts, purchase courses, download certificates, etc.

YQCA will be hosting a webinar on March 15<sup>th</sup> for instructors, parents, and youth to learn more about the YQCA site and get their questions answered. If you'd like to attend, please register using the link below.

**UPCOMING WEBINAR**  
**WE'RE MOVING!**

JOIN US **MARCH 15, 2022**  
AT **12:30 P.M. CT**  
TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE  
**NEW YQCA WEBSITE PLATFORM!**

**REGISTER HERE**

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If you have questions as you're navigating the above steps, please reach out to [programmanager@yqcaprogram.org](mailto:programmanager@yqcaprogram.org). Thank you again for your continued support and commitment to the YQCA program!

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## PRINTING YOUR CERTIFICATION

### STEP 1

Start at the course menu screen to access the certificate.

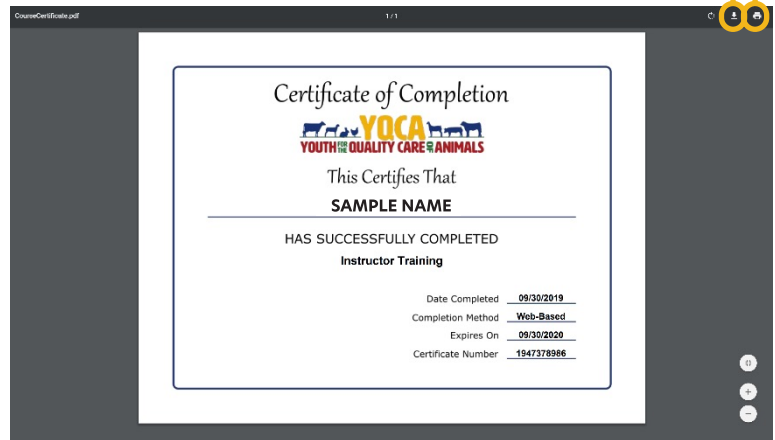


Select "Print Certificate." From here, the certificate can be downloaded as a PDF to save locally or printed using these two options.

### STEP 2

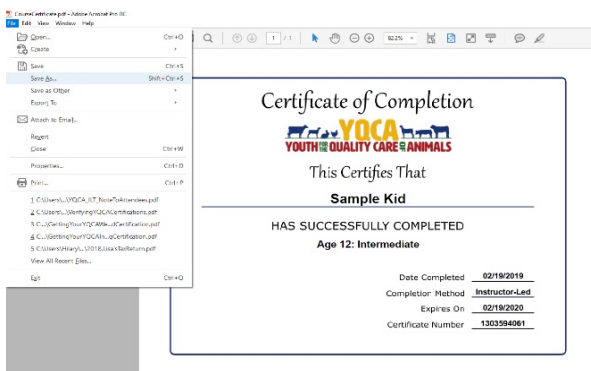
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To download and save locally, use one of the two approaches below to save the file to a designated location on your computer.



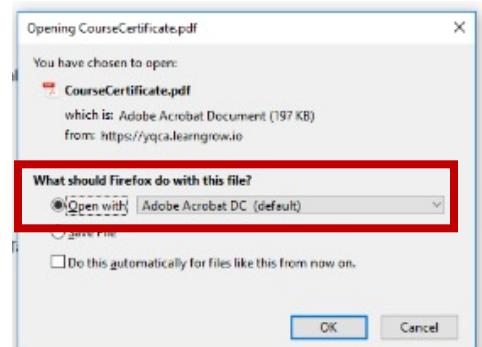
#### OPTION 1

Select "File," then select "Save As," and save the file where you will be able to find it again.



#### OPTION 2

When you open the downloaded file, select the option to open it with Adobe Acrobat or another PDF reading software. Then save the file from there.





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HSC 25990-25994 (ALSO KNOWN AS PROPOSITION 12 INITIATIVE)

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# FAQ'S FOR CALIFORNIA FAIR & EXHIBITIONS STAKEHOLDERS 2022







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### FAQ's: Prop 12 FAQs for California Fair and Exhibitions Stakeholders

#### What is Prop 12?

- ♥ Ballot initiative passed in 2018 which set minimum confinement standards for California farms<sup>1</sup> raising egg-laying hens, breeding pigs and veal calves.
- ♥ The law also made it illegal to sell products from these farm animals in California that were not raised according to the minimum space requirements, regardless of if the animal was raised in California or out-of-state ([Prop 12 Health and Safety Code](#)).

#### Which farm animals are included under Prop 12?

- ♥ Egg-laying hen means any female domesticated chicken, turkey, duck, goose, or guineafowl kept for the purpose of egg production.
- ♥ Breeding pig means any female pig of the porcine species kept for the purpose of commercial breeding who is six months or older or pregnant.
- ♥ Veal calf means any calf of the bovine species kept for the purpose of producing the food product described as veal.

#### Which products from these animals are included under Prop 12?

- ♥ Shell eggs or liquid eggs means a whole egg of an egg-laying hen in its shell form or means eggs of an egg-laying hen broken from the shells.
- ♥ Whole pork meat means any uncooked cut of pork, including bacon, ham, chop, ribs, riblet, loin, shank, leg, roast, brisket, steak, sirloin, or cutlet, that is comprised entirely of pork meat of a breeding pig, or immediate offspring of a breeding pig.
- ♥ Whole veal meat means any uncooked cut of veal, including chop, ribs, riblet, loin, shank, leg, roast, brisket, steak, sirloin, or cutlet, that is comprised entirely of veal meat of a calf raised for veal.

#### What are the minimum confinement standards for these farm animals?

- ♥ All of these farm animals must be confined in a manner that allows the animal to lie down, stand up, fully extend limbs, and turn around freely. Additionally,
- ♥ Egg-laying hen: Must have access to enrichments like purchases, nests and scratch areas and the minimum amount of usable floorspace per hen required by the 2017 edition of the United Egg Producers' Guidelines for Cage-Free Housing system ([UEP 2017 Guidance](#))
- ♥ Breeding pig: minimum of 24 square feet of usable floorspace per breeding pig with an allowance for the use of farrowing crates (HSC Section 25992 (f)).
- ♥ Veal calf: minimum of 43 square feet of usable floorspace per calf.

<sup>1</sup> "Farm" means the land, building, support facilities, and other equipment that are wholly or partially used for the commercial production of animals or animal products used for food or fiber.



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#### What are the exceptions to Prop 12 related to California fairs and exhibitions?

- ♥ Prop 12 minimum confinement standards are not required during state or county fair exhibitions.
- ♥ 4-H and other youth programs for exhibition are exempt from the minimum confinement standards.

#### If I am buying a youth program market pig from a breeder for the 2022 fair season, do I need certification that the breeding pig (dam of the market pig) is housed in compliance with Prop 12?

- ♥ To maximize the eventual market potential for a youth program market pig, a best practice is to request written certification from the seller stating that the breeding pig (the dam) was kept in Prop 12 compliant housing.
- ♥ All farms located in California that are raising animals included in Prop 12 for commercial sale must be compliant with minimum confinement standards. *This is the responsibility of the farm owner or operator* and applies to breeder operations in California regardless of who buys the pigs.
- ♥ If products from fair animals might be sold in California commerce, buyers of the pig or buyers of downstream products (processors, retailers) may require written certification that the market pig came from a breeding pig that was confined in compliance with Prop 12 minimum standards, even if the breeder is out of state.

#### What should I do as a fair CEO or Junior Livestock Auction Committee that manages livestock auction?

- ♥ Reach out to your processor to find out what documentation related to Prop 12 they need for market pigs and veal calves processed for resale.
- ♥ Work with participants and processors to: streamline the collection of written certification; establish certification for all entrants and process as a lot; explore processing options not subject to Prop 12 like custom harvest or sponsored donation of products to non-profit organizations; etc.

To learn more and to sign up for Prop 12 updates, scan or click the below QR code, or visit <https://www.cdffa.ca.gov/ahfss/Prop12.html>

You can follow us on social media by scanning the below QR codes or by clicking on each individual QR code with your cursor. Email questions to: [AnimalCare@cdffa.ca.gov](mailto:AnimalCare@cdffa.ca.gov)



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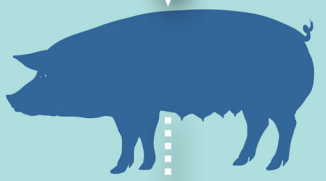
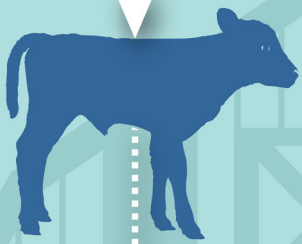
Commercial sale of all **Proposition 12** defined covered products must not be from covered animals **confined in a cruel manner\*** even when covered products originate from covered animals raised outside of California



\*Cruel manner is defined as confining animals in space smaller than described above or in a manner that prevents the animal from lying down, standing up, fully extending the animal's limbs, or turning around freely.

**JANUARY 1, 2020**

**JANUARY 1, 2022**



Egg-laying hens require a minimum of 144 square inches of floor space per hen.

Calves raised for veal require a minimum of 43 square feet of floor space per calf.

Egg-laying hens included require cage-free housing outlined in United Egg Producers 2017 Guidelines.

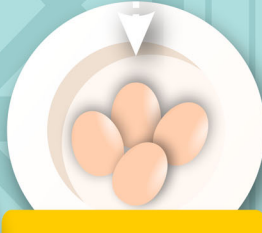
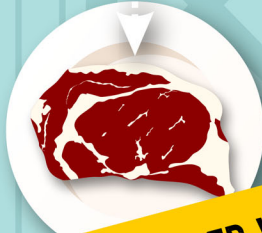
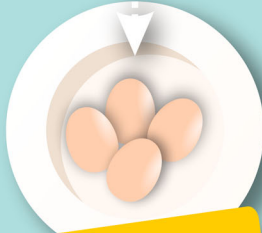
Breeding pigs require a minimum of 24 square feet of floor space per pig.

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