

2026 4-H Livestock EID Tag Information

Options for Counties

Information regarding Kansas 4-H livestock EID ear tags for state show nomination is available on the KSU Youth Livestock Program website, under the [EID Tags tab](#).

The order forms for the Kansas 4-H EID ear tags are also available on the website.

All animals that are nominated for the Kansas Junior Livestock Show and/or Kansas State Fair are required to be tagged with Kansas 4-H EID tags, or a state-approved visual Kansas 4-H tag if the animal had an existing 840 EID when purchased by the family. Refer to the information regarding alternative tagging for animals that will be state nominated for the state fair and/or KJLS and already have an EID when they arrive at county tagging. Counties have the following options regarding tags for 4-H/FFA livestock projects:

1. Use an alternate form of identification (scrapie tag, ear notches, tattoos, etc.) for county fair show animals and only tag the state nominated livestock with Kansas 4-H EID tags.
2. Use locally purchased or “old style” non-EID visual Kansas 4-H tags for county fair show animals and only tag the state nominated livestock with Kansas 4-H EID tags.
3. Use the Kansas 4-H EID tags for all county fair and state nominated animals, but not use the technology for county fair management.
4. Use the Kansas 4-H EID tags for all county fair and state nominated animals and use the technology for county fair management. If your county has an interest in using EID technology at the local level, please contact Dave Kehler at dkeehler@ksu.edu or 316-377-9470.

For all of the above options, tagging records should be maintained by the extension professional responsible for managing the tags for livestock projects. The records for Kansas 4-H EID tags that are official (840) tags (beef and swine) should be kept for five (5) years.