

USE CONTRACT FOR Flathead 4-H Small Livestock Scale

The Small Livestock Scale was provided for use to Flathead 4-H members and leaders thanks to the Flathead 4-H Council and its commitment to enhancing livestock project resources. This scale is intended for small livestock, primarily goats, hogs and lambs.

Scale Use Guidelines

- 1) Respect Fairgrounds property, hours of operation, and accessibility guidelines for Fairgrounds facilities.
- 2) Check out the key from the Fair Office during regular business hours (8AM-5PM). Return the key to the drop box outside the Fair Office main entrance. Please do not keep the key checked out longer than needed. To use the scale over the weekend, make sure the key is checked-out during normal business hours.
- 3) The scale may not be removed from the Fairgrounds.
- 4) An operation manual for the scale is available for checkout at the Flathead County Extension Office.
- 5) Use appropriate precaution and safety measures to protect youth, adults and animals while using the scale.
- 6) Mandatory cleaning of the scale is required after each use to prevent the spread of highly contagious and hazardous animal diseases. It is highly recommended to thoroughly disinfect the scale platform and all areas of the scale that come in contact with livestock. After each animal, manually remove solids from the scale and disinfect. Also make sure to keep the surrounding area clean and remove any animal waste.
- 7) Check to see that the scale is powered off when finished using.
- 8) Adhering to these guidelines will ensure reliable usage of the scale for 4-Hers well into the future as well as the safety of all 4-Hers and livestock who use it.

Release and Waiver of Claims; Assumption of the Risk; Indemnification Agreement

In consideration of being allowed to use the equipment provided by the Flathead 4-H Council, the Participant, and the Participant's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) if the Participant is a minor, do hereby agree to the fullest extent permitted by law, as follows:

1) TO BE HELD LIABLE in the case of any damage caused to the Equipment during travel, use, storage, etc, the Participant and his/her parent(s) or legal guardian(s) understand that they are responsible for monetary compensation for either the replacement or repair of the Equipment. The Participant is also under the understanding that they are responsible to report any problems associated with the Equipment that occurred under their care and that they are thus responsible for any damages found between the point of equipment check out and the inspection upon the return of said equipment.

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Personal Responsibility

The Participant and his/her parent(s) or legal guardian(s) understand that Participant's use of equipment is voluntary and further understand that they have the opportunity to inspect the Equipment before use.

The Participant and his/her parent(s) or legal guardian(s) understand that Participant is obligated to follow the rules and instructions of the Equipment and that he/she can minimize his/her risk of injury and injury through the exercise of common sense and by being aware of his/her surroundings.

The Participant and his/her parent(s) or legal guardian (s) understand that the knowledge of proper use and handling of the equipment is the full responsibility of themselves and the owner is at no obligation to be held liable for harm or damage to either the Equipment or the participant from misuse or lack of knowledgeable handling.

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By signing below, I agree to accept liability for the equipment listed below. I understand that should any damages occur while the equipment is in my possession, I will be held fully responsible and liable for the full amount of the repairs/replacement of the equipment.

To the extent that any portion of this Agreement is deemed to be invalid under the law of the applicable jurisdiction, the remaining portions of the Agreement shall remain binding and available for use by the owner in any proceeding. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS AGREEMENT AND I AM AWARE THAT BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT I MAY BE WAIVING CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE.

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