WOODSON COUNTY PRIME MEATS PROCESSING INC

After the last few years of fair season we have decided that we need to address a few things

- **Absolutely no Inspected animals.** The reason for this is we do 5 county fair in 2 ½-3 weeks. We start slaughtering at 5:00am just to be able to get all the animals slaughtered. We start processing at 6:00am. If we do inspected we can’t start until 8:00am and it will make us lose those hours we need. Woodson county prime meats employees work anywhere from 12-18 hours a day 6 days a week for almost 2 months. If you wish to have your animal inspected please call the locker and get on our cancellation list (we are currently booked until October 2022) We refuse to let them work more.

- We need your cut cards within 2 days of us receiving your animal. We do so many animals and a lot of times they are quartered or halved. We do not have time to chase people down to get their cut card. Last year we hung hogs for over 2 weeks because we could not get cut cards which made us work 7 days a week for 21 days because we had so many. We need to be able to cut your animals as soon as we can. If you know you are getting an animal you are more than welcomed to call us now and go over it. The more we get before fair the better. If you call us to go over your cuts and you get the machine please leave a voicemail. There are 2 of us in the office and we are constantly on the phone. We will call you back if you leave a voicemail. If we do not hear from you in 2 days we will cut your product up as a standard cut.

- Please remind your customers that we do a large amount of animals in a short period of time and we do our best to make sure it gets done within the time frame we say but things happen that are out of our control. We will call you when your product is done!!

- We can not guarantee a certain hang time. If you wish to have your animal hang for a certain time then you need to call and get on our cancellation list. We must be able to cut it up as soon as possible. We will not cut up beef before 14 days unless we feel like it cannot hang that long. Hogs will be cut up 2-3 days after we receive your animal. Note if you get cure it takes another week to finish that process.
Picking up your product ASAP is paramount for us during fair season. Our freezer only holds 20-25 animals. Last year we did 78 beef and 154 hogs. We had several people leave their product here for months, at one point we had 10 animals here for 2 months. Please inform your customers that they have 1 week to pick up their product from the date we tell them. Example if we call you on Tuesday and tell you that your product will be ready for pickup on Friday you have until the following Friday to get it picked up. If you know that you might be out of town, or your customers live in another state you need to have other arrangements to get it picked up. If you plan on paying for your customers processing it must be paid before they are allowed to pick it up. We will not call them until it is paid and they still only have that 1 week time frame. It slows our process down when we do not have room. WE WILL ABSOLUTELY NOT HOLD PRODUCT OVER A WEEK!!!!!!

IF YOUR PRODUCT IS NOT SOLD BY THE TIME WE PICK THEM UP THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO COME TO THE LOCKER!!!!!!

We love helping out the 4-H children but we need to be able to work together. We know parents work just as hard during this time and a lot of you taking vacation after the fair but please make sure you have your cut list done and have arrangements to pick up your product in the that time frame if you are going to be gone.

We want to continue to be able to close the locker to customers and do the fair animals every year, however if we continue to have problems we will have to make some changes going forward.

Woodson County Fair I have given Dale Lanham a sheet that you will need to fill out. Dale will give me that paper when we pick up animals. If you are not on that sheet we will not take your animal.

Thank you Woodson County Prime Meats employees