

# YOUTH LIVESTOCK QUALITY ASSURANCE (YLQA) YOUTH CERTIFICATION PROCEDURES

<http://extension.arizona.edu/quality/>

- **Initial Certification** for participants involves individuals participating in 3 hours of quality assurance training that includes the “Eight Good Production Practices” with hands-on activities, viewing the two videos - Quality Assurance and the Rules are Black and White, receiving a copy of the manual, and a certification form.
- All youth participating in county and state fair livestock shows must be certified.
- Youth can attend any workshop offered in the state. Workshops are listed on the YLQA website.
- **Certification must be renewed every three years.**
- Participants can view their certificate number and when their certification expires on the website. County fairs can also access this to verify certifications.

## YOUTH RE-CERTIFICATION

In order to be re-certified youth may attend another certification workshop or complete the re-certification checklist verifying the implementation of the good production practices. The checklist may be found in the resources section under forms

<http://extension.arizona.edu/quality/resources/index.html>.

### Re-Certification Checklist

As each good production practice is completed or verified, fill in the level and date, and have a YLQA Certified Level 1 leader or advisor or Level 2 or 3 Trainer initial the GPP. All certifiers must print their name sign at the end of the checklist when certifying the first item. When all sections of the checklist have been completed have your leader or advisor date and sign the checklist summary. This one page Checklist Summary should be submitted to a Quality Assurance Level 3 Certified Trainer. (For a list of certified trainers go to <http://extension.arizona.edu/quality/certification.html> and then click on trainers.) Once submitted, the trainer will then send your information to the Arizona Youth Livestock Quality Assurance Clearing House with the Arizona State Fair to complete your re-certification.