Common Mistakes to Avoid When Validating Steers

- Be sure to match EID button and Visual tag together when tagging steers.

- Make sure that the validation forms are printed all the way through to the cardstock form and are legible.

- Use tags in numerical order to help keep data organized.

- Unused tags may be retained by the county for replacements.

- Return all unused validation forms and hair sample envelopes to Darrell Dromgoole’s office.

- Be sure to send back both the front (white paper) and back (cardstock) copy of the steer validation forms to Darrell Dromgoole’s office.

- Make sure the nose prints are clipped to the cardstock copy of the validation form.

- Make sure you have all signatures on the validation form and hair sample envelopes. (Exhibitor(s), parent/guardian, validation chairman, County Extension Agent/Agricultural Science Teacher, and Technician) **All possible exhibitors must sign both the validation form and ALL hair sample envelopes.**

- On the validation forms check to make sure all the information is filled in correctly, including color of steers, telephone number, and address.

- **Each exhibitor is required to send a separate, completed ethics policy form.**