## **Junior Market Broilers Show**

Chairman - Ricky Kettler

Entry Fee: \$15 per entry Entries Close: September 1, 2023, 4 pm Fair Office Check-In & Sifting Time: Sunday, October 15, 2023, 7am - 9am All entries must be inside the gate by 9 am Judging Time: Sunday, October 15, 2023, 10 am Release: Sunday, October 15, 2023, immediately following show (except Grand & Reserve)

## **Rules:**

1. All entries and awards in this department are subject to General Livestock and Fair Rules printed in this catalog, unless otherwise specified.

2. Entries must be entered in the exhibitor's name. All broilers must have been purchased in the 2023 central purchase order for the Fair. No entry will be accepted unless exhibitor's name appears on the broiler master list at the time the order was placed. Broilers will now be ordered as a family project, but each exhibitor in the family must be on the master order form for exhibitor to be eligible to enter and show a pen of broilers. All broiler orders need to be ordered in increments of 25.

3. Each broiler presented to the judge must bear a special code wing band. The identification number on the band must fall within the series of numbered broilers assigned to that individual. Broilers losing their wing band, for whatever reason, will not be eligible to show. If the band shows evidence of being tampered with or if the web is torn in any way, the pen will be disqualified.

4. Exhibitors are responsible for spreading and turning each wing band as the birds grow. This will ensure the band number is readable at check in. If a band is determined to be unreadable at time of check in, the exhibitor will have the option to have the band removed at check in to verify the number, or have it removed after the show. If the band is removed after the show and the number is not within the series assigned to the exhibitor, the entire pen will be disqualified.

5. No individual may have more than two (2) entries in Department "G".

6. A pen is to be three (3) broilers. A pen must consist of three live broilers any sex at check-in Sunday, October 15, 2023, 7 am - 9 am.

7. The Chairman will attend the cooping. Each specimen will be returned to its proper owner, but

the Fair Association will not be responsible for loss or damage in any instance. EXHIBITORS WILL FURNISH FEED, FEEDERS, WATER CONTAINERS, AND WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FEEDING AND CARE OF THEIR EXHIBITS. ANY EXHIBITOR FAILING TO FEED, WATER AND KEEP PEN CLEANED WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE FAIR AND WILL BE BARRED FROM SHOWING AT NEXT YEAR'S BROILER SHOW. Exhibitors must use two three-pound coffee cans or one-gallon cans to feed and water their broilers. All cans must be tied to cage.

8. Each exhibitor is responsible for removing water/feed containers from their pen and surrounding area before any release papers will be issued.

9. No private cards or any indication of ownership is to be allowed on the coops until after judging and then nothing which obstructs the view or interferes with other exhibits is to be used.

10. No one except Poultry Committee of the show will be allowed to handle the birds without permission from the owner.

11. No substitution of broilers will be allowed prior to judging.

12. All broilers will be released back to the exhibitor to take home at the end of the show, except for the Grand and Reserve Champion pens, which will be relocated to Champions Row and remain there for the duration of the Fair. It will be the exhibitor's responsibility to remove their broilers from their pens during release time following the show. All Broilers must be removed from their pens by 1pm the day of the show.

13. Exhibitors will be responsible for transporting and penning their own broilers before and after the sift. Each broiler exhibitor will be responsible for holding his/her birds. If the exhibitor or his/her substitute is not present when his/her number is called, his/her birds will not be showed. Youth exhibitors are preferred holders of broilers.

14. Only exhibitors and holders allowed in the show ring during show.

15. Only dry feed will be allowed in cages after judging.

16. In the event that a pen of broilers is sifted by the judge for any reason, each broiler in that pen shall be paint marked by the committee before being returned to the exhibitor. Broilers will be sifted for poor market quality. No marked broiler may be re-entered into the Broiler Show.

17. The Brazoria County Fair will drug test the Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion and at two other placing pens of broilers chosen at random.

18. Any exhibitor having more than one animal making the sale in this department must sell the highest placing animal. In the event two animals have the same placing, the exhibitor must notify the Chairman or Co-Chairman of this department within one hour after the show which one will sell, otherwise the chairman will determine which animal will sell.

19. For exhibitor eligibility requirements, see General Livestock Department rules. Broilers, Pen of three (3) no minimum or maximum weight

20. Only battery-operated fans will be allowed in or near the pens. No extension cords will be allowed.

21. Any animal that exhibits signs of being unethically altered or fit will be disqualified. See General Livestock rule 11.