“Max Wollam” Jr. Commercial Heifer Show

Chairman - Kathy Cross & Chance Leopold

Entry Fee: $30 per Animal
Entries Close: September 2, 2022, 4pm in Fair Office
Arrival Time: Friday, October 14, 2022, 8am - 7pm
Check-In & Sifting Time: Sunday, October 16, 2022, 10am
Judging Time: 3pm, Tuesday, October 18, 2022
Release Time: Sunday, October 23, 2022, 7 am - 11 am
No Early Release for singles.

Rules

The entries and the awards in this department are subject to General Livestock and Fair rules printed in this catalog, unless otherwise specified.

Validation and Registration

1. All heifers will be ear tagged for identification during validation at the Brazoria County Fairgrounds unless otherwise notified.

2. All heifers six (6) months or older, as of May tag in, MUST be brucellosis vaccinated with proof of vaccination by BANGS tattoo or by BANGS identification tag. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS! Heifers 6 months or *y*ounger not vaccinated at tag in will be verified at SIFT.

3. Heifers 24 months of age before October 1st of the show year will be ineligible to show in the Commercial Heifer Show.

4. The Commercial Heifer committee will issue updates as necessary; however it is the exhibitors responsibility to comply with the Texas Animal Health rules.

5. Commercial Heifers may be validated and entered in the Fair as an individual exhibit or as a Family Exhibit. If entered as a Family Exhibit, all eligible animals must be listed per exhibitor. Exhibitors must declare which heifer or heifers they will show at the time of the check-in on Sunday, October 16, 2022.

6. Validation cards must be completed with ALL requested information and signatures. Validation cards must be completed with breed and date of birth of the heifer. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS!

7. All heifers that are over 12 months of age, as of October 1st of current year, must be palpated. A statement indicating pregnancy status, signed by a licensed veterinarian, must be presented at CHECK IN.

8. If, prior to October 1, current year, one or more of the heifers in the pen of three become unable to be shown, the exhibitor must contact and notify the committee chairman immediately and the remaining heifer or heifers may be shown as a single entry at the discretion of the committee chairman and the livestock superintendents.

9. All animals must be on the fairgrounds and in the gates by 7pm.

10. Any heifer losing an ear tag needs to notify the fair office immediately for retag. All heifers must have a valid tag by 8pm Friday, October 14, 2022.

11. Single heifers must be halter broken for the Fair. All heifers must be cross-tied with one rope around the neck and the other rope from the halter.

12. Any heifer calving prior to show time will be ineligible to show in the Commercial Heifer Show.

13. For exhibitor eligibility requirements, see General Livestock Department rules. All family exhibitors please read General Livestock rules.

14. All heifers in classes 7 and 10 must be bred in order to show in the Commercial Heifer Show.

Classification/Sift

15. All palpation papers MUST be turned in to the Livestock office before 9am day of Commercial Heifer Sift. If you fail to have your palpation papers (if necessary) and/or go through the sift, you will be ineligible to show in the Commercial Heifer show on Tuesday.

16. All single heifers will be classified and sifted on Sunday, October 16, 2022 at 10 am. THIS WILL SERVE *A*S CHECKIN FOR THE COMMERCIAL HEIFER SHOW. Classifiers will be non-Brazoria County cattlemen chosen and approved by the Commercial Heifer Committee. DECISIONS OF THE CLASSIFIERS WILL BE FINAL!

17. Heifer classes may be split based on the numbers of heifers in a class.

18. Singe heifers may not be moved to be shown with a pen.

19. Heifers subject to age classification will be classified by their age as of October 1st of current year. Age classification dates are as follows:

Class 2 1/1/22 to 3/31/22

Class 3 10/1/2021 to 12/31/21

Class 4 7/1/21 to 9/30/21

Class 5 4/1/21 to 6/30/21

Class 6 1/1/21 to 3/31/21

Class 7 10/1/20 to 12/31/20

Judging/Show Day

20. FITTING REQUIREMENTS WILL BE A BLOW & GO SHOW. ANIMALS ARE TO BE SHOWN IN THEIR NATURAL CONFORMATION AND COLOR. NO ANIMAL MAY BE SHOWN THAT HAS HAD ANY FOREIGN OBJECTS GLUED TO OR OTHERWISE ATTACHED IN A MANNER SO AS TO ALTER ITS CONFORMATION OR CHANGE ITS APPEARANCE; THIS INCLUDES FALSE HAIR, ARTIFICIAL COLOR, OIL, AND/OR ADHESIVES. ANIMALS UNETHICALLY FITTED IN HAVING MODIFICATION OF DEWLAP OR SHEATH, INJECTION OF OIL, AIR, AND/OR ANY OTHER FOREIGN SUBSTANCE THAT ALTERS THE PHYSICAL APPEARANCE OR CONFORMATION TO ANY PART OF THE BODY WILL BE DISQUALIFIED. THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE DEHORNING AND TAIL DOCKING.

21. After final call for each class to enter the show ring, if calf and exhibitor or representative are not in the arena at that time, they will not be able to show.

22. There will be no show tack allowed in the holding area; only exhibitors and their respective animals will be allowed.

23. The Commercial Heifer Committee reserves the right to expel unruly animals from the arena or ask that they be tied to the side of the show arena.

24. Junior Showmanship (ages 8-10), Intermediate Showmanship (ages 11-13), and Senior (ages 14-19) Showmanship classes will be held immediately after judging the Grand and Reserve Champion Heifers. The winner will be announced at this time. SEE GENERAL LIVESTOCK.

25. To participate in the Showmanship contest an Exhibitor must be the owner of the calf that he or she is exhibiting, and the calf must be validated and shown in the Commercial Heifer Show. Substitute Exhibitors are not eligible for Showmanship Exhibitors picked for showmanship must return for showmanship with the same animal with which the judge picked the exhibitor.

Commercial Heifer Sale Rules

26. Grand and Reserve Grand Single and Pen of Three heifers must sell in the Commercial Heifer Auction. Maximum of one single and one Pen of Three per exhibitor will be allowed to sell in the Commercial Heifer Auction.

27. The top 45% of each single class MUST SELL and top 60% of the pen of three entries

MUST SELL Due to multiple placing heifers and mathematical rounding any heifer listed on the sale posting regardless of placing MUST SELL! NO EXCEPTIONS. Failure to sell shall result in exhibitor forfeiting privileges, premiums, and scholarships due from the Brazoria County Fair Association. The exhibitor's family (parents, guardian, brothers, and sisters) may be prohibited from exhibiting any animals or other entries in Brazoria County Fair for a minimum of one (1) year.

28. In the event any exhibitor has more than one heifer eligible for the sale, the highest placing heifer must sell. In the event the highest placing animals are equivalent in placing then a decision must be made by the exhibitor within one (1) hour after the end of the show and then communicated to the Commercial Heifer Committee Chairman or representative as to which heifer will sell.

29. See Commercial Heifer Auction Rules under General Sales Department for more information on the Commercial Heifer Auction.

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