2027 GALVESTON COUNTY FAIR & RODEO, INC.

MARKET LAMB RULES

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NOSE PRINT, TAG-IN & TOOTHING:	**Sunday, December 6, 2026, 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.**
ENTRIES DUE:	**All entries, fees and required paperwork will be due to the fair office no later than 6:00 p.m. January 28, 2027, and must be submitted by 4-H Leader or Ag Teacher, ONLY. NO REFUNDS FOR ANY REASON**
CHECK-IN:	**Saturday, April 10, 2027, 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.**
WEIGH-IN:	**Weight Cards must be submitted to the check-in no later than 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 10, 2027.**
SIFTING:	**Minimum of 100 pounds weight**
JUDGING:	**Sunday, April 11, 2027 at 12:00p.m.**
ENTRY FEE:	**$35.00**
MANDATORY RELEASE:	**Monday, April 12, 2027, 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. For All Non-Auction Placing Lambs**
CHECK-OUT:	**Sunday, April 18, 2027, 8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. for Grand, Reserve and Auction Lambs**

1. **All entries for this division will be subject to the General Livestock Rules of the Galveston County Fair & Rodeo, Inc. except where they conflict with the requirements of this division in which case the division rules will prevail. In the event of special circumstances that may arise, or a conflict between rules, decisions of the Show Chairperson and the Livestock Superintendent will be final.**
2. All lambs will be tagged-in, nose printed, and toothed on Sunday, December 6, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Fairgrounds. Lambs will be toothed on date of tag-in. Lambs must have both central temporary incisors in place with no permanent incisors showing when toothed.
3. **Lambs must weigh not less than 100 pounds at check-in, Saturday, April 10, 2027. All Market Lamb will be weighed by the exhibitor on the designated scales provided by the Lamb Committee. Each exhibitor must return the weight card to the official check-in table no later than 11:00 am on Saturday, April 10, 2027. The weight card is the INDIVIDUAL OFFICIAL WEIGHT. Once the weight card is turned in, absolutely no changes can be made. NO EXCEPTIONS.**
4. Each exhibitor is entitled to enter and show two (2) lambs in the 2027 Galveston County Fair, either ewe or wether lamb.
5. Shavings will be allowed in pens.
6. **Absolutely no tying of lambs allowed in pens. Lambs must remain in assigned pens unless authorized by the Lamb Chairperson or Livestock Superintendent.**
7. All lambs MUST be slick shorn 3/8" or less PRIOR TO ARRIVAL ON THE FAIRGROUNDS FOR CHECK-IN. Only Scissors or cordless clippers may be used for Cosmetic clipping hair touch up prior to entering the show staging area. No paint or colored powders are allowed. Lambs are to use DESIGNATED AREA ONLY for grooming, etc. BLOW DRYERS WILL BE ALLOWED TO BE USED ONLY AT THE DESIGNATED GROOMING/POWER PLANT AREA. No generators will be allowed under the livestock barn.
8. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and watering their lamb and keeping the stall and lamb barn area clean at all times. There will be **NO FEEDING OR WATERING IN THE LAMB PENS**. Failure to comply, as

determined by the Lamb Chairperson and Livestock Superintendent, will result in removal of the animal from the Fairgrounds, forfeiture of all prizes and awards, and/or further disciplinary action as deemed appropriate by the Galveston County Fair & Rodeo, Inc. Executive Committee.

9. Lambs will be placed into classes of equal or near equal numbers, according to weight. The number of classes will be determined according to the number of entries at check-in. An exhibitor having two lambs whose weight would place both lambs into the same class must place the lamb with the heavier weight into the next higher class. If both lambs are placed into the heaviest class, an eligible stand-in exhibitor may show the lamb.
10. The top five (5) lambs in each class will be re-weighed. Animals having more than a maximum weight gain of five percent (5%) over the official weight at check-in will be sifted and disqualified.
11. The top three (3) placing lambs in each class plus the Grand Champion and the Reserve Champion, will not be released until Sunday, April 18, 2027 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. **MANDATORY RELEASE FOR ALL OTHERS**, Monday, April 12, 2027, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., provided exhibitor has obtained a signed release from the Lamb Chairperson or Livestock Superintendent. All lambs not making auction that received a commitment and are going to a packing house or are donated back to the fair must return to the fairgrounds April 24, 2027, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
12. A Proof of Delivery Form (when applicable) and thank you card (see General Rule #43) will be required before Exhibitor's check can be released. All exhibitors must come to the Fair Office, with these items, to sign for their check.

Fair officials reserve the right to change the rules, dates, times and places due to unforeseen circumstances.