What to Expect – Livestock Exhibitors IMPORTANT INFORMATION

FAIR SCHEDULE and LIVESTOCK RULES and HANDBOOK:

The full Fair schedule and rules are online on our website on the Livestock Page. <u>It is the exhibitor's responsibility to be aware of the schedule and rules (Please READ THEM)</u>:

- Livestock Show (hcfairandrodeo.org)
- Schedule Link: <u>files.ashx</u> (<u>saffire.com</u>)
- Livestock Rules and Handbook: <u>files.ashx</u> (<u>saffire.com</u>)
- 1. **WEIGHT CARDS DUE at 7 pm** at the close of move-in on Thursday, October 26 for Steers, Lambs, Goats, and Swine.
- 2. Move out times allowed only per the schedule
- 3. Please remember to join our Harris County Livestock Show Updates Remind by texting @hclsu to 81010.

ELIGIBILITY

The fair will be emailed to the Ag Teachers and 4-H to verify eligibility. Eligibility will verify membership in FFA/4-H and passing grades. For FFA, teachers will verify passing grades according to their rules and inform the Fair. For 4-H, the county extension agent will use the established 4-H eligibility forms and routine process. The teachers (FFA) and extension office (4H) will provide the data back to the Fair management by email therefore an eligibility form will not be needed at check in.

TICKETS/GATE PASSES:

• There will be no grounds passes or admittance fees for entering the grounds or parking.

MAPS:

Attached at the end of this document and include:

- Move-in/Move out Traffic Flow
- Grounds Map
- Address: 5801 Katy Hockley Cutoff Road, Katy TX 77493 (New)

MOVE IN/CHECK IN:

- 1. Follow the map, stay within your species designated lane. If you have multiple species in the trailer and
 - a. one of them is a Steer, use the Steer lane
 - b. one of them is Swine, use the Swine lane
 - c. or just pick the shortest line for a species you have
- 2. Pick up your Exhibitor Packet DURING MOVE IN LINE AT THE TENT.
 - a. Each exhibitor must sign Indemnity Form when turning in weight card.
 - b. The packet contains weight card/s, exhibitor number, indemnity form and W9 (except breeding shows).

- 3. Once you've started to unload,
 - a. **Pick a stall space/pen** (first come first serve). You will mark your stall/pen number on your weight card.
 - i. Lambs/Goats: Will be penned 1 per pen.
 - ii. Pigs: Will be penned 1 per pen.
 - iii. Steers will be 2 per panel and panel space can not be used as tack space.
- 4. After unloading, Exit the lot and park your trailer in the Trailer Parking Lot.
- 5. Parking for Exhibitors is the same as for the Public
- 6. WEIGHT CARDS DUE at 7 pm at the close of move-in on Thursday October 26.
 - Weight cards weights are recorded by Fair staff, there is not a weigh back per the livestock rules.
 - b. Exhibitors will not be allowed to edit their weight cards once it is turned into the Fair staff and the weight has been recorded.
 - c. At the scales, you may be asked to have your animal used during the Livestock Judging on Saturday. At the scale, more detailed information will be available about how those animals can be cared for through Saturday. (New)
 - d. Make sure to turn in indemnity form or W9 as well.
 - e. Heifers and breeding rabbits will not need to turn in W9.

SET UP/STAGING/CAMPING – Small Animals

1. Rabbits

- a. This is a carrying cage show so exhibitors need to be prepared to sit and wait for a while.
- b. The show ring is air conditioned.

2. Market Poultry

- a. The show ring pavilion is air conditioned, and battery powered fans are allowed.
- b. Bring an index card with the wing bands of the turkeys and broilers you are showing with your name on it.
- c. Index cards will be available at show if exhibitor forgets.
- d. Adults or other children not in FFA/4-H may help hold birds.

FREEZER SALE: Reminder all exhibitors with animals in the freezer sale must be present to load animals and must take care of animals through the remainder of the fair. All exhibitors wanting to have animals in the freezer sale must submit a form. We do have a buyer for all animals sold to the floor (market price) if they are not purchased in the freezer sale.

STALLING/PENS MANAGEMENT - Large Animals

1. Stall and Pens Space

- a. Exhibitors must supply their own shavings to be used in the pens/stalls. 200 bags of savings will be available on-site and sold by Stockinger Show Supply for \$7/bag.
- b. Overhead Tack Racks are recommended.
- c. All Pen dimensions for Swine, Lambs/goats: 5'x 5'
- d. Steer exhibitors should bring their own divider.

2. Air conditioning/Power information.

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- a. The barn where animals are stalled is not air conditioned but there are overhead "big a\$\$" fans.
- b. The show ring pavilion is air conditioned.
- c. Power is available in the barn.
- d. Exhibitors may provide their own additional stall fans.

Volunteering:

- 1. RULE 13 within the Livestock Rules and Handbook states that exhibitors and/or a member of their family must volunteer 2 hours.
- 2. The Volunteer signup sheet will be posted online here: <u>Livestock Show (hcfairandrodeo.org)</u>. **Sign up before the Fair.**
- 3. All Volunteers also need to register as a Fair Volunteer through our website and submit the Indemnity Form (available at the above link) **before the fair**. Link to register: Become a Volunteer or Member (hcfairandrodeo.org)
- 4. At the Fair near the show ring pavilion entrance there will be a Volunteer Sign on the Desk.
- 5. Each exhibitor must sign in and sign out.
- 6. At the Volunteer Check in desk, the volunteer should make sure their information entered into the online log of hours. This log will be used as proof of hours served.
- ON-SITE RV CAMPING SITES: Limited (about 14) RV Camping sites are available during the fair starting Wednesday Oct 25. Sites are available on a first sign-up basis. Sites are 30/50 amp, with water, no sewer hookup. The rate is \$40/night. To reserve a spot contact Anthony Castellese @ 713-252-9284 or acastellese24@yahoo.com. Payment due at sign up via Venmo.
- **ON-SITE SHOW SUPPLY:** There will be a Livestock Show Supply Trailer onsite from Stockinger Show Supply. Shavings Sold at \$7/bag.

MOVE OUT PROCESS:

- 1. At the Livestock Exit Gate, a Volunteer will we checking ear tags and exhibitors against who registered for the show.
- 2. If someone besides the exhibitor is leaving with an animal, a Release Form must be obtained from the Fair Office.

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MOVE IN & OUT Thursday, Friday and Saturday



