

OPEN SHOW BREEDING CATTLE DIVISION

ALL BREEDS

ENTRY DEADLINE – January 15, 2024

ENTRY FEE - \$30 per head

The following applies to All Other Breeds, Beefmaster, Commercial Cattle, Santa Gertrudis, and Miniature Herefords

ARRIVAL – 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6, 2024

CHECK-IN – 3:00 – 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6, 2024

JUDGING SCHEDULE

- All Other Breeds – 1:00 p.m., Saturday, March 9, 2024
- Beefmaster – 9:00 a.m., Saturday, March 9, 2024
- Commercial Heifers – 3:30 p.m., Friday, March 8, 2024
- Santa Gertrudis – 1:00 p.m., Friday, March 8, 2024
- Miniature Hereford – 3:30 p.m., Saturday, March 9, 2024
- Release of all cattle – 8:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10, 2024

The following applies to ARB, Red Brangus, Brahman, and Simbrah

ARRIVAL – 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12, 2024

CHECK-IN – 3:00 – 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12, 2024

JUDGING SCHEDULE

- Simbrah – 11:00 a.m., Thursday, March 14, 2024
- ARB – 8:00 a.m., Thursday, March 14, 2024
- Red Brangus – 9:30 a.m., Thursday, March 14, 2024
- Brahman, Red & Grey – 1:00 p.m., Thursday, March 14, 2024
- Release of all cattle – 12:00 a.m.(midnight), Sunday, March 17, 2024

BREEDING CATTLE OPEN SHOW GENERAL RULES

1. All entries in this division shall be subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Show.
2. Entry fee of \$30 per animal must accompany entries. Extra stalls for tack will be \$30 each, however, due to limited space, stalling of animals will be given preference over tack stalls.
3. A destination specific (RGVLS) Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (Health Certificate) issued within 30 days is required for all cattle. The health certificate must specify Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, Mercedes, TX.
4. Exhibitors can enter the Open Show at check-in if the heifer is entered in the Jr Breeding Cattle Show. There will be a \$50 late fee in addition to the \$30 entry fee paid to RGVLS.
5. Substitutions can be made by the exhibitor ONLY.
6. Stalls will be assigned based on the number of entries made by an exhibitor, one stall per animal. If at the Show, an exhibitor has fewer animals than entered, the management reserves the right to assign any extra stalls to another exhibitor, without compensation. No refund of entry or stall fees will be made. If more stalls are used for display, a fine will be charged.
 - a. 2 stalls for 1-5 head
 - b. 3 stalls for 6 or more head
7. Pure water ONLY. If an exhibitor is caught at the gate with foreign substance on heifer or bull, there will be immediate disqualification. No adhesives, oil or any foreign substance of any type will be allowed as this is a "Blow and Go" Show.
8. Nose leads are required on bulls exhibited in the show ring, with the exception of calves shown at side of dam.
9. Open Show exhibitors ages 5 years old to 2nd grade must have a parent or legal guardian accompany them in the show ring. The parent/legal guardian will have an extra lead on the show halter.
10. After an animal becomes loose from an exhibitor 3 times, the committee chair, RGVLS Management, and/or RGVLS Director will have the animal removed from the ring and disqualified from showing.
11. It is the intent of the show management that no premium be given to any animal that is not deserving. In cases where only one animal is being exhibited in a class, the judge shall make his award in accordance with the merits of the animals being exhibited which may be either first, second, third, etc. RGVLS is not obligated to award a premium to an unworthy animal.
12. Entries will be listed numerically according to age, oldest first, in catalogs and judging schedules.
13. Only first place winning animals are eligible to compete for championship honors.
14. In the event there are 20 or more entries of the same breed shown in competition, a separate breed division may be created for them the following year.
15. In the event there are less than 10 entries shown in competition in a breed division for two consecutive years, the division may be discontinued the following year.
16. Open Breeding Cattle pregnancy rules will be based on the individual breed association rules.
17. Bulls 18 months of age or older must have produced viable semen. If a protest is filed or at the request of Show Officials, exhibitors must furnish a certificate stating the bull has produced viable semen.
18. No calf, either heifer or bull, can be shown at side of dam if older than 220 days of age on day of show.

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 23 also apply.

PREMIUM SCHEDULE

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will offer premiums in each breed division as follows based upon the number of entries shown in competition.

Premium money will be paid in all classes except Champion classes and Best of Polled classes in the Santa Gertrudis Division.

- 1st place - \$40
- 2nd place - \$30
- 3rd place - \$25