

## MARKET LAMB DIVISION

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Rules and Times are subject to change

1. Market Lamb Division is subject to the General Rules and Regulations in addition to these Division Rules.
2. All exhibitors must abide by all other rules to be eligible to show.
3. No substitution or refund of entry fees will be allowed of exhibitors because of failing grades making exhibitor ineligible to show their entry or for any reason.
4. **Eligibility**
  - a. See General Rule 4i.
  - b. Market Lamb must be owned and cared for by the exhibitor under the supervision of Agricultural Science Instructor or County Extension Agent. Continuous ownership and care of the animal must be maintained from tag-in to show time by the exhibitor at the exhibitor's residence. See General Rule #11 for exceptions.
5. **Tag-in Requirements in July:**
  - a. The official weigh-in will be at the TVE Fairgrounds.
  - b. Market Lamb will be tagged in one ear and tattooed in the other ear. Any lamb losing an ear tag will be unable to check-in or show their animal in October. Contact the chairman immediately if a tag is lost.
  - c. This division is open to wethers or any breed or crossbreed female (unbred). Any female showing signs of being bred will be disqualified.
  - d. Lambs are NOT required to have their milk teeth.
6. **Entry Fee & Entry Information**
  - a. 25.00 per entry
  - b. \$25.00 for any alternate animals.
  - c. All entries must be entered online by the date listed on website and in the important dates to remember to avoid a late fee.
  - d. All exhibitors in the same family unit after paying \$25.00 per entry may show any one of the animals entered in the family plan. All exhibitors' names in the family plan must be included on the entry form. There must be one animal per exhibitor to be listed on entry form. There is no limit to the number of lambs you may tag-in in June. Exhibitors may only weigh and exhibit one (1) lamb in October.
7. **Weigh-in October**
  - a. Adult representative must accompany exhibitors 12 years of age and under across the weight scales on day of weigh-in.
  - b. At time of weigh-in, exhibitor must designate which lamb they will exhibit.
  - c. It is recommended that the lamb be properly groomed – which includes clipping.
  - d. Lambs must not weigh less than 80 pounds at weigh-in.
  - e. Lambs not making the desired weight will immediately be backed off scales; scales balanced and will be re-weighed one time only.
  - f. Lambs must be slick shorn (upward from the knee and hock) at weigh-in.
  - g. Clipping on grounds- All clippings must be properly disposed of in designated areas (trash, dumpsters, and waste disposal locations).
8. **Judging**
  - a. Only Lamb Committee members and/or personnel designated by Lamb committee will be allowed in show arena.
  - b. Substitution – See General Rule #12.
  - c. There will be no change of the major color pattern of the lamb by painting or dyeing.
  - d. Each exhibitor/owner must be able to show his/her lamb unassisted.

- e. The Lamb committee will determine number of classes based on number of entries weighed-in.
- f. Classes will be broken by weight.
- g. The exhibitors will have the option of withdrawing their animal from the auction at this time. If there is a withdrawal, the next lamb will be moved up. A completed removal from auction form must be completed and turned in to the livestock office by deadlines listed on website.
- h. Eight (8) Lambs will sell at the Youth Auction on Friday of show week.

**9. Drug Testing**

- a. See Drug Policy established by the TVE Board of Directors.

**10. Showmanship**

- a. Junior, intermediate and Senior Showmanship will be held after judging. See General Rule #6 for ages.
- b. Exhibitor MUST show in age division of the showman (age on day of show). Any exhibitor found during/after show to have participated in wrong division whether knowingly or accidentally will be disqualified and shall forfeit any/all award(s)

**11. Feeding**

- a. See General Rule #9G

**12. Auctions – Youth and Freezer – Thank-you notes**

- a. Exhibitors wanting to place their animals in the Freezer Sale must notify the Livestock Office in writing (forms available in Livestock Office) by the deadline listed. No late forms will be accepted. No withdrawals after this time.
- b. Exhibitors who qualify for the Youth Auction must check the information board for information pertaining to the auction and attend the auction meeting time and location will be listed on website.
- c. Absolutely no approaching the buyer after the auction to request the animals back. If it is confirmed that an exhibitor has approached the buyer to request their animal back there will be strict penalties and could result in auction proceeds being denied as determined by the livestock superintendent.
- d. NO paint, adhesives and /or grooming products allowed on any species on day of show.
- e. Youth Auction and freezer sale participants must complete a Thank You Note. Thank You Notes will be available to pick up after the sale of the animal. These must be written to the buyer (if more than 1 buyer please get more thank you cards at table) and turned back in.
- f. No Auction or Freezer Sale check will be distributed without a Thank You Note.
- g. All thank you cards with the exception of add on's must be turned in by 12:00 p.m. Sat. of show week. All add on thank you cards will be required to be unsealed in a self-addressed stamped envelope.
- h. Checks will not be release until January, the office will notify when these are ready for pick up, we do not mail checks. Any check left over 90 days from release will be voided and returned to the general fund.
- i. Checks will be made out to the exhibitor not the parents. Most banks will require an account in that exhibitors name in order to cash the check. Please make arrangements with your bank as we will not make checks to anyone other than the exhibitor.