

## NOMINATION RULES & INSTRUCTIONS

### NOMINATION DEADLINE: JULY 1, 2023

- Every exhibitor must submit nomination information online by 5pm on July 1 and mail DNA samples with a copy of the online receipt to the Tulsa State Fair by July 1.
- Nomination does NOT constitute as an entry. Each animal must also be entered in the Tulsa State Fair by the entry deadline, August 25, 2023 to be eligible to show.
- The following Junior Show Animals must be officially nominated to be eligible to submit an entry and show at the Tulsa State Fair:
  - Junior Market Steers
  - Junior Commercial Breeding Heifers
  - Junior Market Barrows
  - Junior Breeding Gilts
  - Junior Market Lambs
  - Junior Commercial Breeding Ewes
  - Junior Meat Goats
  - Junior Breeding Does

### DNA NOMINATION RULES & INSTRUCTIONS

1. Nomination kits must be ordered and paid for online. At the time of ordering the choice may be made to pick up kits at the Tulsa State Fair Livestock Office, or to ship and pay the shipping fee. Only official tags and DNA envelopes from the Tulsa State Fair will be accepted.
2. There is no limit on the number of animals an exhibitor may nominate.
3. Follow the DNA Hair Sample Requirement Instructions for collecting the DNA hair sample. Obtain a minimum of 40 hairs with follicles (roots) intact. Hair must be pulled from the legs or tail of the animal. DO NOT cut or clip the hair. DO NOT contaminate the sample with hairs from other animals. Place the DNA, (hair), and sample inside of the envelope and seal the envelope. Only enclose the DNA sample in the envelope.
4. DNA envelope must arrive sealed in the official Tulsa State Fair DNA envelope with all required information and signatures. Only official TSF DNA Envelopes will be accepted.
5. The Tulsa tag on the DNA envelope must exactly match the animal(s) entered online.
6. If family nominating, names and signatures of each sibling must appear on the DNA envelope when it is submitted.
7. Should it be necessary to return your nomination for any reason, (lack of signatures, etc.), there will be a \$10 reprocessing fee charged to the exhibitor.
8. Contaminated samples or hair samples without the follicle attached will result in disqualification of the animal.
9. DNA samples collected at the show that do not match the submitted nomination sample will result in disqualification, forfeiture of all premiums and awards, and will exclude the exhibitor from future competition at the Tulsa State Fair.
10. DNA nomination does not constitute an entry in the Tulsa State Fair. Only animals with DNA on file with the Tulsa State Fair are eligible to enter. Regular entry procedures must be followed for each nominated animal entered in the Tulsa State Fair.
11. Enter exhibitor and animal information online and print receipt. Steers ONLY must also upload pictures online for classification. (See "Steer Nomination Photo Upload Instructions".)
12. If family nominating, only one DNA sample per animal is required; however, all exhibitors must have an online receipt and animal in each exhibitor's name. (See "Animal Nomination/Family Nomination Instructions".)
13. Mail a copy of online receipt with DNA. Please do not staple receipt(s) to DNA envelopes.

14. Mail DNA and online nomination receipt to: TSF Livestock Office, 4145 E 21st Street, Tulsa, OK 74114. DNA and online nomination receipt must be postmarked by July 1, 2023.
15. The Tulsa State Fair reserves the right to refuse any Nomination or Entry.
16. Exhibitor(s), parents/guardian, supervising teacher/agent, are equally responsible for making sure all information submitted online and DNA envelopes are correct.
17. Nomination is a proof of ownership required by the Tulsa State Fair. Nominated animals and their exhibitors are NOT automatically entered in the Tulsa State Fair. Entries must be submitted online by August 25, 2023.

### **STEER NOMINATION PHOTO UPLOAD INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Three color photos must be uploaded online for steers to classify into a breed.
  - Photo 1: front view, (head shot), of the steer with exhibitor in full view.
  - Photo 2 & 3: right and left side profile view of the steer with the exhibitor included.
2. If family nominating a steer, you only need to upload pictures to one exhibitor name. You will be prompted to upload for each sibling. Once you have uploaded the photos to one sibling, skip the upload step for the other siblings.
3. Crossbred steers are not required to upload pictures.

### **FAMILY NOMINATION**

At the time of nomination, all exhibitors may family nominate all animals according to the following guidelines:

1. The exhibitors must all legally reside in the same household and are sibling, step siblings, or legally adopted.
2. The exhibitors must all permanently reside in the same county.
3. In order to properly family nominate an animal, enter each exhibitor online and list every animal in each exhibitor's name. All exhibitors must sign the DNA sample envelope.
4. The animal WILL NOT be family nominated if all exhibitors have not been entered online and signed the DNA envelope for each animal.

### **ENTRY PROCEDURE**

1. The Tulsa State Fair Entry Deadline is August 25, 2023. Animals required to be nominated, must have an official nomination on file to be eligible to enter.
2. Siblings may nominate the same animal, but may not enter the same animal.
3. At the time of entry, the final exhibitor decision must be made. Animals found double entered, (one animal entered in multiple exhibitors' name), will be considered invalid.
4. The exhibitor entering the animal must have cared for daily from date of nomination.
5. In the case the exhibitor is ineligible to show, each animal entered in the exhibitor's name is also ineligible to show.
6. Exhibitors may enter all nominated animals and will be required to pay for all animals entered. Any nominated animal you wish to show must be entered into the show.
7. Animals nominated, but not officially entered will not be eligible to show.

### **QUESTIONS?**

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