WCFA

Commercial Heifer Rules

- 1. This show is limited to projects owned, fed and cared for by Walker County 4H, FFA, or FCCLA members in good standing and under the supervision of the County Agents or FFA-FCCLA Advisors. All Commercial Heifers entries will be subject to the General Rules of the Walker County Fair Association.
- 2. The Junior Commercial Heifer Show and sale is an opportunity for exhibitors to show and sell commercial heifers. Crossbred heifers are desired but purebred heifers will be permitted to show provided they have not been shown anywhere previous to the Commercial Heifer Show at Walker County. Any heifer exhibiting in the Commercial Heifer Show will not be allowed to compete in the Open Junior Breeding Show of the Walker County Fair.
- 3. Heifers must be purchased from residents ranching in Walker County or adjoining counties. Heifers must be born from cows bred in Walker County or an adjoining county and remain in one of these counties until date of initial tag-in.
- 4. All Junior Commercial Heifer entries will be tagged at the Huntsville Livestock Auction on the third Saturday of October from 8:00 am 10:00 am. Exhibitors must bring with them a statement signed by the breeder showing the birth date (month and year) and proof of Walker County or adjoining county breeding. Forms will be available from the County Agent's office and the FFA Advisors. There will be a consignment fee of \$5.00 per head charged at the initial tag-in with this money being applied to premiums.
- 5. All heifers should be Brucellosis Calf hood vaccinated prior to the initial tag-in. Dehorning is recommended but not required.
- 6. The following age heifers will be eligible to show: A pen of three (3) unhaltered heifers born January 1 through March 31, of the year prior to date of the Walker County Fair Commercial Heifer show.

7. Tag-In:

- a) An exhibitor may tag in a total of five (5) heifers from which the exhibitor will select three (3) to be shown. Heifers will not be allowed to be added or switched after the initial tag-in.
- b) If more than one member of a family is eligible to exhibit heifers, then the family may tag up to two (2) alternate heifers per child in the immediate family. The same alternate heifer can be tagged by each child if it is in the immediate family. The heifer must be tagged in each exhibitor's name.
- 8. Exhibitor must own heifers 100% throughout the feeding period starting at tag-in through the time of the Show. Exhibitor must feed and care for heifers in Walker County. Violations will cause the exhibitor to FORFEIT all rights to show in the Commercial Heifer Show. Any exhibitor leaving the county with their heifers during the feeding period must notify a Commercial Heifer Committee Member and receive permission.
- 9. In order to comply with the State and National Beef Marketing, Education, Promotion and Research Program, \$2 per head assessment will be collected and remitted to the Texas Beef Council.
- 10. Record books are required on your heifers and must be turned in to the Chairman prior to showing at the Walker County Fair.

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- 11. The check-in and showing of the Commercial Heifers will be printed in the Walker County Fair Schedule of Events.
- 12. All Commercial Heifer exhibitors will be required to attend a minimum of two (2) commercial heifer meetings to be eligible to participate in the WCFA Commercial Heifer Show.

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