

WCFA Steer Division Rules

1. All steer entries will be subject to the General Rules of the WCFA.
2. All calves must be on feed by the next to the last Saturday in October.
3. A student may tag as many steers as desired on the official tag-in-date, the next to last Saturday of October, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. at the Walker County Fairgrounds, but may only exhibit one. Families with 2 or more children will be allowed to tag steers in the family name. At the final weigh-in, it must be declared which child will show which steer. Only one calf per exhibitor may be stalled at the Fair.
4. All calves must be halter broken to lead at the time of the Steer Show. If a steer is unruly, it may be excused from the show at the discretion of the WCFA Steer Committee.
5. There will be two breed divisions within the show: European Breeds and American Breeds (American Breeds will be Brahman, Beefmaster, Brangus, or Santa Gertrudis influence and display those characteristics that would be expected of a 1/4 Brahman Cross, i.e., some ear and sheath. The final decision of what will classify as an American Breed will be made by the Steer Committee or its duly appointed representative.) The steers will be placed in their respective divisions at the first weigh-in by an appropriate person.
6. Classes will be determined following the final weigh-in. After the final weigh-in, an extra class may be added for every five American steers.
7. Only one calf per exhibitor may be sold, and only fifteen calves will be sold in the Premium Sale. The judge will pick the sale order.
8. There will be a first-place steer and a second-place steer selected for each class, with the first-place steer of each class returning to compete for Grand Champion Steer. The second place steer from the class that provided the Grand Champion Steer will then compete with all the other class winners for Reserve Grand Champion Steer.
9. Steers will be sold per head.
10. There will be a weight-gain trophy and a \$250 cash award presented to the exhibitor whose steer gains the most weight during the official feeding period, which will include the period from the next to the last Saturday of October to a date designated on the WCFA Schedule of Events.
11. All steers must weigh a minimum of 1,000 pounds at the final weigh-in. Any steer failing to meet the requirements will be sifted.
12. In order to be eligible for the show, all exhibitors and their steers must attend the weigh-ins, which will be when steers are officially weighed in on the next to the last Saturday of October and the final weigh-in on the Monday prior to the Steer Show. Additional voluntary weight days will be during WCFA steer show clinics or upon request to the livestock committee (these requests will be based on the availability of a steer committeeman). In addition to the weigh-ins, each exhibitor and all steers tagged for the Walker County Fair will be required to attend one of two show clinics that will be set by the steer committee. Any steer not attending is ineligible for the show. Dates will be announced at the October weigh-in.
13. Steers will be weighed when they are checked in for the Steer show. This weight will be the official weight to determine the sale weight and weight gain champion. Only one

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official weigh-in between 2:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. on check-in day will be allowed. All steers not meeting minimum weight will be removed from scales, scales balanced, and reweighed prior to the 3:30 p.m. deadline. All steers meeting the required weight requirements on their initial weigh-in will not be allowed to reweigh. All steers not meeting the required weight by the 3:30 p.m. deadline will be sifted and will be removed from the Fairgrounds immediately.

14. The exhibitor or parent/guardian is responsible for haltering the steer prior to entering the scale for official tag-in.
15. There will be two showmanship classes, with a belt buckle presented to the Grand and Reserve Grand Showman in each division. The divisions will be Junior and Senior Showmanship. Junior showmanship will be ages 8-13 years of age, and Senior showmanship will be ages 14 years and older.
16. Each exhibitor will be presented an exhibitor's number at the official weigh-in for the Steer show and will be required to wear this number at all times while in the show ring.
17. Hair: Steers must be slick sheared to not more than ¼" on any location of the body, excluding the tail switch (the tail switch being no more than 12" above the end of the cartilage of the tail). Steers must be slick-sheared before arrival on the grounds. Steers will be checked at weigh-in for ¼" length; violation of the ¼" uniform length over the entire body will result in immediate disqualification and may not be shown. Decisions of the Steer Committee will be final.
18. No grooming powders will be allowed. Other grooming aids will be allowed so long as they do not change the major color pattern of the steers.
19. The exhibitor will designate at the October Steer "TAG-IN" the physical address at which the steer will be fed and cared for by the exhibitor throughout the entire feeding period with a minimum of outside aid and assistance in preparation for the Walker County Fair. A temporary physical address change shall only be approved by the steer committee for the reasons of animal health or personal hardships.
20. At the final check-in of the Fair, all projects will be subject to screening based upon health, grooming, preparation, and presentation.
21. Only steers displaying official WCFA tags will be allowed to weigh in and show. If this tag is accidentally removed from the steer, the exhibitor should immediately notify the steer Committee Chairman in order that he may re-tag the animal.
22. There will be no drenching in the barn.
23. Steers must be dehorned. Scurs (defined as loosely attached) may be present but must be no longer than 2 inches in length.
24. The staging area will be limited to the exhibitor and one adult during the show and sale order.
25. Only side-mounted fans (no rear-facing fans) will be allowed in the steer area.