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# *Livestock & Poultry Exhibitor Rule Book*

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# Rule Changes for 2027

Words to be added are in ***italics and bolded***. Words to be deleted are ~~stricken.~~

## ***GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS***

**5. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES**

D. Once the entry form and hair sample have been received by the YMBL South Texas State Fair office, if an animal loses its ear tag, it cannot be re-tagged. The exhibitor must immediately notify their Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent, who must then notify the South Texas State Fair Livestock Secretary of the exhibitor's name, Club or Chapter, and the ear tag number. A replacement tag will be issued upon ***the animal's*** arrival at the ***fairgrounds, and a hair sample will be collected. Tags must remain on all animals for the duration of the Fair. Tag removal is prohibited.***

**16. CARE OF LIVESTOCK, POULTRY, AND RABBITS WHILE ON FAIRGROUNDS**

**Removed** ~~- Exhibitors are prohibited from using blankets or covers on their animals between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. each day of the Fair.~~

F. Food for livestock, poultry, and rabbits can be placed out between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and ***10:00 p.m.*** ~~and again from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. All food for livestock, poultry, and rabbits must be picked up by 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. unless~~ ***and*** feeding ~~is~~ ***must be*** supervised until feeding is complete. Automatic nipple waterers will be allowed in Swine Stalls only and must be a minimum of 12 inches off the ground and attached to stall fencing. Lamb and Goat water buckets must be secured to stall fencing.

**17. ARRIVAL OF ANIMALS / ARRIVAL OF EXHIBITS**

***The South Texas State Fair's "no early check-in" policy will be strictly enforced to manage logistics, facility preparation, and animal health and safety. If you arrive before the scheduled time, you will be turned away or asked to wait outside the grounds with your animals.***

**I. JUNIOR MARKET POULTRY SHOW RULES**

J. **Removed** - ~~There will be no weight limits for Broilers; however, Roasters MUST WEIGH at least 8 pounds.~~

# JUNIOR MARKET F-1 COMMERCIAL HEIFER SHOW

***The 2027 South Texas State Fair F-1 Heifer Show will be the last year of the show.***

# Livestock & Poultry Important Pre-Fair Dates and Deadlines

**July 23, 2026** – Deadline for Jr. Market Steer and F-1 Heifer Tags. Orders must be received in the YMBL office on or before this date. Tags must be prepaid and cost $3.00 each.

**September 10, 2026 –** Deadline for Entry Forms, Fees and hair samples for Jr. Market Steers and Commercial F-1 Heifers. Forms must be completed and received in the YMBL office on or before this date. IF MAILED, ENTRIES MUST BE SENT VIA CERTIFIED MAIL & MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE THE ENTRY DEADLINE DATE OR THEY WILL BE CONSIDERED LATE.

**October 1, 2026** – Deadline for Entry Forms and Orders of Roasters and Broilers. Forms must be completed and received in the YMBL office on or before this date. IF MAILED, ENTRIES MUST BE SENT VIA CERTIFIED MAIL & MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE THE ENTRY DEADLINE DATE OR THEY WILL BE CONSIDERED LATE.

**October 1, 2026** – Deadline for Jr. Market Goats, Lambs & Swine Tags. Orders must be received in the YMBL office on or before this date. Tags must be prepaid at a cost of $3.00 each.

**December 3, 2026 –** Deadline for Entry Forms, Fees and hair samples for Jr. Market Goats, Lambs, & Swine. Forms must be completed and received in the YMBL office on or before this date. IF MAILED, ENTRIES MUST BE SENT VIA CERTIFIED MAIL & MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE THE ENTRY DEADLINE DATE OR THEY WILL BE CONSIDERED LATE.

**Friday, January 22, 2027** -12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. – Roaster Pick-up – YMBL Office.

**Friday, February 12, 2027** -12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. – Broiler Pick-up – YMBL Office

**First Thursday in February of 2027** – Deadline for All Open Jr. Breeding Rabbit Show Entries. Forms must be completed and received in the YMBL office on or before this date. IF MAILED, ENTRIES MUST BE SENT VIA CERTIFIED MAIL & MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE THE ENTRY DEADLINE DATE, OR THEY WILL BE CONSIDERED LATE.

**First Thursday in February of 2027** – Deadline for All **Open Livestock Cattle Shows** Entries. ENTRIES MUST BE COMPLETED ONLINE AT **SHOWMANAPP.COM**. IF ENTRIES ARE NOT COMPLETED BY THE DEADLINE DATE, THEY WILL BE CONSIDERED LATE. **LATE ENTRY DEADLINE IS THE FIRST THURSDAY IN MARCH AND HAS AN ADDITIONAL FEE.**

**March 1, 2027** – Deadline for Junior Market Rabbit Meat Pen Show Entries. Forms must be completed and received in the YMBL office on or before this date. IF MAILED, ENTRIES MUST BE SENT VIA CERTIFIED MAIL & MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE THE ENTRY DEADLINE DATE, OR THEY WILL BE CONSIDERED LATE.

**First Thursday in March of 2027** – Deadline for All Open Breeding Poultry Shows. Forms must be completed and received in the YMBL office on or before this date. IF MAILED, ENTRIES MUST BE SENT VIA CERTIFIED MAIL & MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE THE ENTRY DEADLINE DATE, OR THEY WILL BE CONSIDERED LATE.

# SOUTH TEXAS STATE FAIR LIVESTOCK & POULTRY FEES

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| Ag Mechanics Show | $20.00 entry fee per Project |
| Junior Breeding Beef Show | $20.00 entry fee per head per Show<br>**Late Entry Fee - $40.00 per head per Show** |
| Open Junior Breeding Rabbit Show | $3.00 entry fee per Rabbit<br>Late Entry Fee - $13.00 per Rabbit |
| Junior Market Rabbit Meat Pen Show | $10.00 entry fee Per Pen of 3 (Three) |
| Junior Market Poultry Show - Broilers | $5.00 entry fee per Pen of 3 (Three) Birds |
| Junior Market Poultry Show - Roasters | $5.00 entry fee per Pen of 1 (one) Bird |
| Junior Market Commercial F-1 Heifer Show | $25.00 entry fee per animal |
| Junior Market Goat Show | $25.00 entry fee per animal |
| Junior Market Lamb Show | $25.00 entry fee per animal |
| Junior Market Steer Show | $25.00 entry fee per animal |
| Junior Market Gilt & Barrow Show | $25.00 entry fee per animal |
| Late Entry Fees – F-1, Goat, Lamb, Steer, Swine | **$150.00 per animal – first 7 days entry is late**<br>**$300.00 per animal – 8th to the 14th day entry is late.** |
| Open Livestock Show – Brahman Division | $20.00 entry fee per head per Show<br>**Late Entry Fee - $40.00 per head per Show**<br>**Substitution Fee - $20.00 per head per Show** |
| Open Breeding Poultry Show | $3.00 entry fee per bird (single); $8.00 entry fee per 3 birds (Trio) / **Late Entry Fee - $13.00 per bird** |
| Open Poultry Show | $3.00 entry fee – Single; $8.00 entry fee – Trio |
| Open Junior Brahman Heifer Show | $20.00 entry fee per head per Show<br>**Late Entry Fee - $40.00 per head per Show**<br>**Substitution Fee - $20.00 per head per Show** |
| Open Texas Longhorn Show | $30.00 entry fee per head per Show<br>**Late Entry Fee - $45.00 per head per Show**<br>**Substitution Fee - $20.00 per head per Show** |
| TLBT Youth Texas Longhorn Show | $30.00 entry fee per head per Show<br>**Late Entry Fee - $45.00 per head per Show** |
| Record Keeping Contest | No Entry Fee |
| Livestock Judging Contest | No Entry Fee |

## MISCELLANEOUS FEES

Ear Tags - $3.00 each

One additional auto pass per Exhibitor may be purchased for $25.00.

**There will be no refund of Fees.**

# SOUTH TEXAS STATE FAIR
# LIVESTOCK & POULTRY SHOW

## ***GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS***

The South Texas State Fair is committed to the humane treatment of all animals exhibited. Every reasonable precaution is taken to promote the animals' safety and well-being. The production practices in the livestock industry are based on sound principles of animal husbandry. No one has a greater economic stake in the welfare of animals than the livestock producers and organizations involved in the promotion of agriculture.

Exhibitors are required to familiarize themselves with all of the General Rules and Regulations of the Show and other Specific Show Rules in the classes and departments applicable to their exhibits.

### 1. ADMINISTRATION OF RULES AND REGULATIONS

A. The YMBL reserves to its Executive Committee, sometimes referred to as Fair Officials or Show Officials, the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, protests, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with or incident to the Exposition, and the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgment may determine.

B. An exhibitor who violates any of the rules contained in this rule book will forfeit all privileges and premiums and be subject to such penalty as the YMBL Executive Committee may order.

C. Special rules or conditions are published for each show where necessary; if there is a conflict between the special rules of any show and the general rules and regulations, the special rules will govern. Should any rule, or any provision of any single rule, later be held legally invalid or otherwise unenforceable, all other rules, and all other clauses and terms of any rule containing a provision or term later held to be legally invalid or unenforceable, shall remain in full force and effect.

### 2. LIABILITY

A. All livestock and poultry exhibits will be under the control and direction of the South Texas State Fair Livestock and Poultry Division. Decisions made and action taken by the YMBL Board of Directors shall be conclusive and not open to question in any court or other body. But it is stipulated and agreed that the YMBL, its agents, servants, and employees shall not under any circumstances be liable for any loss or damage that may result to said exhibits, exhibitors, or other property, or other damages, and all such damages, whether from negligence or otherwise, are hereby expressly waived.

B. Each Exhibitor will be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss, injury or damage done to, or occasioned by, or arising from any exhibitor, or any animal or article exhibited by him, and for its description as given in the catalogue, and shall indemnify the YMBL against all legal or other proceedings in regard thereto, as well as damage or injury to any other person or property, caused by the exhibitor, or any of the animals exhibited by him, or arising out of, or in any way connected with such exhibition of the animals, and shall indemnify and hold harmless said YMBL from any damage suits, and any and all other claims of every nature and description. In any such suit that may be filed against the YMBL, said exhibitor may be made a party thereto by said YMBL.

C. THE YMBL WILL NOT ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY LOSS DURING THE SOUTH TEXAS STATE FAIR. 4-H and FFA MEMBERS SHOULD HAVE THEIR ANIMAL(S) PROTECTED WITH INSURANCE. IF THE OWNER OF THE ANIMAL(S) WISHES TO BUY ADDITIONAL INSURANCE, THEY MAY DO SO.

## 3. FAIRGROUNDS AND SHOWGROUNDS DEFINED

The South Texas State Fairgrounds includes all land, buildings, and facilities located in Ford Park, which is bordered by Interstate Highway 10 to the north, State Highway 124 to the south, Brooks Road to the east, and State Highway 364 (Major Drive) to the west.

The South Texas State Fair showgrounds consist entirely of land, including buildings and facilities. It is bordered by a chain-link fence to the north of the large barn, the drainage ditch to the south of the small barn, a chain-link fence to the east of both barns, and a chain-link fence to the west of both the large and small barns.

Alcoholic beverages or any illegal drugs are NOT allowed in the showgrounds or any other areas of the Fairgrounds. Drinking, fighting, and other misconduct by exhibitors or their associates will be grounds for Fair Officials to revoke all premium payments and remove the individual from the Fairgrounds.

## 4. GENERAL TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

A. Breed – a group of animals that, as a result of breeding and selection, have certain distinguishable characteristics.
B. Breeding animal – livestock bred and raised to be included in a breeding program.
C. Dam – a female parent.
D. Flock – a grouping of a species of livestock (sheep, poultry).
E. Herd – a group of a single species of animal (cattle, horses, swine, goats).
F. Market animal – livestock bred and raised for food consumption.
G. Polled – a naturally hornless animal.
H. Sire – a male parent
I. Cock – A male bird more than twelve months old
J. Hen - A female bird more than twelve months old
K. Cockerel – A male bird less than twelve months old
L. Pullet – A female bird less than twelve months old
M. Single – Cock, hen, cockerel, pullet
N. Young Trio – Cockerel and two pullet's same variety
O. Old Trio – One cock and two hens of the same variety
P. Display – Seven or more birds of same variety

## 5. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

A. All applications for entries must be made on the applicable South Texas State Fair entry form and in accordance with instructions on the same, giving class number, age, record number, and all other required information. Forms that are submitted without all the required information will be considered incomplete. Forms, after being signed by the exhibitor and all others as required, are to be filed in the office of the South Texas State Fair. All Junior Market Entry forms must be notarized and correctly filled out when forms are submitted to the South Texas State Fair. NO Junior Market Animal will be allowed to show without the completion of this form.

B. Hair samples must accompany entry forms for F-1 heifers, goats, lambs, steers, and swine. Hair samples must be collected per the instructions provided, and the sample envelope must be completed with the appropriate signatures.

**C. Family Backup Animal – F-1 Heifer, Goat, Lamb, Steer, and Swine exhibitors may tag two (2) animals of the same species per exhibitor. Exhibitors may only bring one animal to check in for exhibition at the fair. Each exhibitor must have one animal tagged and**

**entered solely in their name. The second animal tagged can be shared with a family member only if that animal's tag number is listed as their second animal on their entry form. The definition of "Immediate Family" is siblings, stepsiblings, or legally adopted siblings all living in the same household at the same address. Note: If siblings have different last names, it must be noted on the Entry Form. All family backup animals must be the same species.**

D. Once the entry form and hair sample have been received by the YMBL South Texas State Fair office, if an animal loses its ear tag, it cannot be re-tagged. The exhibitor must immediately notify their Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent, who must then notify the South Texas State Fair Livestock Secretary of the exhibitor's name, Club or Chapter, and the ear tag number. A replacement tag will be issued upon **the animals** arrival at the **fairgrounds**, **and a hair sample will be collected. Tags must remain on the animal for the duration of the Fair. Tag removal is prohibited.**

E. No Entry will be accepted unless the required entry fee accompanies the entry form. In all cases, the right is reserved to reject entirely any application for entry. Entries mailed must be mailed via Certified Mail only and postmarked on or before the entry deadline date. *For the applicable entry fee, see Livestock & Poultry Fees in this rulebook.*

F. Entries must be filed in the office of the YMBL no later than the deadline date. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to submit entries as early as possible; entries will be accepted on a first-received basis.

G. Exhibits that have been erroneously entered may be transferred to their proper class, before judging, upon application to the show chairman, who will determine the matter upon its merits. If such classes have been judged, however, they shall not be reopened.

H. 4-H and FFA members may enter/exhibit the same animal in Junior and Open Shows.

I. All animals in the breeding classes must be recorded or accepted for record in the recognized books of record for their respective breeds, and exhibitors must produce certificates of registry at the request of the show chairman in charge at any time during the Fair. The exhibitor must provide, on their application for entry, the breed, date of birth, registration number, and name under which the animal is registered in the record association, and the name and registration number of the sire and dam of each animal entered; otherwise, entry will not be accepted. This rule does not apply to animals entered in Junior Show Divisions.

J. When allowed by the Livestock Division Secretary, the substitution of Open Show animals after the entry deadline will be subject to an additional substitution charge of $20.00 per head. The substitution must also be made ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE SHOW. A change in ownership is not a substitution, but rather a new entry.

K. Late entries in the Jr. Market F-1 Commercial Heifer, Goat, Lamb, Steer, and Swine shows will be accepted up to 14 days after the entry deadline. The Late Entry fee is $150.00 for the first 7 days the entry is late. The late entry fee is $300.00 for the 8th to the 14th day the entry is late. No entries will be accepted after the 14th day. Entry and payment must be made in person at the YMBL office in the form of cash, cashier's check, or money order.

L. Late entries for Breeding Rabbits will be accepted up to March 1st. Late Entry Fee is $10.00 per Rabbit, after the first Thursday in February. No entries will be accepted after March 1st.

## 6. ANIMALS INELIGIBLE TO ENTER

A. **DISEASED ANIMALS:** Special care will be taken that no animal having a disease of any kind will be admitted onto the fairgrounds at any time, and the Show Chairman is instructed and authorized to refuse unloading privileges to any animal exhibiting any signs of disease.

B. All livestock entering this show will be subject to examination by the Show Veterinarian upon arrival or at any time during the show. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious, or communicable diseases may be immediately withdrawn from the show and held in quarantine at the owner's risk and expense until appropriately treated and recovered, or until properly released to return to the owner's premises.

C. **PREVIOUS GRAND CHAMPION EXHIBITORS**: Exhibitors who have had two previous Grand Champion F-1 Heifers, Goats, Lambs, Swine, Steers, Roasters, Broilers, and Rabbit Meat Pens will not be eligible to enter in the show in which their prior Grand Champions were selected.

## 7. JUDGES

A. Judges should familiarize themselves with all the rules and regulations of this Show and especially note those rules bearing on the classes to be judged by them.

B. The single judge system is used by the Fair, (except for the Junior Breeding Beef Show, when the Show will have a split arena at the same time there will be 2 judges). Judges are selected with the utmost care and when possible, will be of national reputation.

C. The time at which the judge will pass upon the different classes will be announced as soon as possible and will be on bulletin boards conspicuously posted. Exhibitors should inquire as to what time the exhibits entered will be judged. Any exhibit not presented promptly at the scheduled time will be ruled out and barred from competition in the class called. No complaint or protest that the judges overlooked exhibits will be considered.

D. Judges shall not award a prize to an unworthy exhibit. The YMBL intends that no premium or distinction of any kind shall be given to any animal or article that is not deserving. Judges will discriminate against animals upon which a surgical operation has been performed to improve their "show" appearance. These rules must be strictly adhered to whether there is competition or not.

E. Where there are fewer entries in a class than number of premiums offered, judges may, at their discretion, award a prize or prizes for each grade as the animal or article deserves. When there is no competition, the first prize, on merit, may be awarded.

F. The decision of the judge shall be final in all cases, except where mistake, fraud, misrepresentation or collusion, not discovered at the time of the award, is proven. In such cases the Fair Chairman or such referee as he may appoint, may make the decision or the case may be appealed to the YMBL Executive Committee, from whose decision there is no appeal.

## 8. SIFTING

A. In all cases, the YMBL Executive Committee reserves the right to reject or accept any entry conditionally. It does not guarantee space in the show barns to any entry, as it is intended that only such animals shall be entered and shown as have merit, and will be a credit to both the exhibitor and this Exposition.

B. A Sifting Committee, who shall sift all livestock, may be appointed, as the YMBL Executive Committee deems advisable. The Sifting Committee must inspect the fitness of animals for show competition. Animals lacking competitive exhibition merit, and upon the recommendation of said committee, the YMBL Executive Committee will require such animals to be removed from the fairgrounds. Any animal that the exhibitor cannot handle will be sifted.

C. The sifting committee will pass the show worthiness of 4-H and FFA entries during check-in or weigh-in, and at judging at the South Texas State Fair.

## 9. EXHIBITOR COMPETITION ELIGIBILITY

A. To be eligible, exhibitors must be **at least eight (8) years** of age **and in the third grade** at the time of the show and must be a bona fide member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter. High school seniors must not have graduated from high school nor have earned a High School Equivalency Diploma. Post-high-school youth of any age may not show at the South Texas State Fair. **LIFE SKILLS STUDENTS** may compete, provided they do not attain their **twenty-third (23rd)** birthday on or after January 1st of the year of the Fair.

B. To compete, 4-H and FFA exhibitors must meet House Bill 72 requirements. Exhibitor substitutions are only allowed in the event of sickness, injury, or when the Exhibitor is required to participate in an approved school-sponsored activity that would prevent the exhibitor from being able to show or sell the animal at the Auction. The exhibitor must have a written statement signed by their attending physician on his/her letterhead stating that the exhibitor is physically unable to show or sell the animal at the Auction. A physician's statement must accompany the request for substitution. The exhibitor must have a written statement signed by their school official on school letterhead stating that the exhibitor is required to participate in an approved school-sponsored activity and will not be able to show or sell their animal at the Auction. A school official statement must accompany the request for substitution. When one of the above conditions exists, the South Texas State Fair Livestock Division Chairman may decide whether a substitute showman will be allowed. If a substitute is allowed, the substitute exhibitor must be from the same County as the original exhibitor. The substitute exhibitor also must meet all requirements of a Jr. Livestock Show exhibitor. An exhibitor may be used as a substitute only once. Any exhibitor of a past grand champion in a respective jr. market animal department is NOT eligible to serve as a substitute exhibitor. The South Texas State Fair Livestock Division Chairman shall also require identification of the substitute exhibitor.

   All substitution requests must be submitted for approval to the South Texas State Fair Livestock Division Chairman a minimum of two (2) hours before the start of the show and or Auction.

C. The F-1 Commercial Heifer, Goat, Lamb, Steer, and Swine Shows will be limited to 4-H and FFA members that reside in Jefferson, Hardin, Orange, Jasper, Tyler, Newton, Chambers Counties, and the High Island School District.

D. The Jr. Market Poultry and Jr. Market Rabbit Shows will be limited to 4-H and FFA members **that reside in** Jefferson, Hardin, Liberty, Orange, Jasper, Tyler, Newton, Chambers Counties, and the High Island School District.

E. Breeding shows are open to **all** 4-H and FFA members.

F. Graduating high school seniors will not be allowed to show an animal unless they have maintained possession of the animal in an approved South Texas State Fair County and personally fed, watered, cared for, and worked with their animal daily. These criteria are to be verified by the CEA or AST before they sign the entry form.

G. The main objective of the Fair is to encourage the breeding and feeding of improved breeds of livestock for well-defined practical purposes. Regard will be had to symmetry, size, type, condition, action constitution, vigor and general characteristics of the various breeds, with reasonable allowance for age but due regard will also be paid to heads and that graceful carriage, style and general refinement that denotes breed and character points which, while not weighing on the "scale" add value to animals when being sold for breeding purposes.

## 10. PROTESTS

A. All protests must be in writing and accompanied by **$200.00**, cash or certified check, which will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. The protest must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal. It must be delivered to the Livestock Division Chairman immediately after the alleged incident, or it will not be considered. Any protest regarding eligibility because of age, breeding, weight, etc., of animals must be filed with the Livestock Division Chairman before the day on which the animal is to be judged. Once animals reach judging, no protest will be considered. No complaint or appeal that a Judge overlooked an animal will be considered.

## 11. SCALES

A. The South Texas State Fair will provide the official show scale for all market shows. A maximum of (4) four additional scales, other than the official show scales, can be brought by exhibitors for use by Lambs, Goats, and Swine, but must be disabled one hour before the start of the show. Any scales to be brought to the showgrounds by either a County Extension Agent or FFA Teacher must be approved in writing, before the start of the South Texas State Fair, by the Livestock Division Chairman.

## 12. SHOW RING CODE OF CONDUCT

A. All animals, rabbits, and poultry must be shown by the exhibitor/owner as listed on their entry form.

B. Each entry will be assigned a number in the Official Program of the show and exhibitors, upon check-in to their appropriate Show, will receive their numbers from the Show Secretary.

C. All exhibitors showing an F-1 Heifer, Goat, Lamb, Steer, and Swine must wear exhibitor numbers matching their animals' tag numbers in the Show ring, or they may be disqualified.

D. Exhibitors participating in Showmanship MUST show their animal that has been shown in the appropriate show. All exhibitors will enter the Show Ring in the order in the Show Program (unless otherwise stated).

E. No one will be allowed to assist or instruct exhibitors from outside the show ring while a show is in progress. County Agents and Agricultural Science Teachers will be permitted to assist the exhibitors in lining their animals up to enter the ring. Still, they must remain outside the show ring during judging.

F. Each exhibitor is required to wear ankle-length pants or skirts and a button-up shirt with sleeves and closed-toe shoes.

G. Exhibitors may not be in possession of electronic communication or storage devices at any time during judging or while in the arena or during competition. These devices include, but are not limited to, cell phones, Palm Pilots, Blackberries, personal computers, pagers, and radio devices, such as walkie-talkies and/or hand-less phone devices.

H. In all Showmanship Contests, the exhibitor must show their own animal or project, and the animal or project must be an entrant in the appropriate show.

I. If an exhibitor, in any way, whether in person or by agent or servants, interferes with the judges during their deliberation, or shows any disrespect to them or the show, the Livestock Division Chairman may demand a proper apology from such exhibitor, or may exclude him or her from the ring, and may also recommend the exhibitor be barred from future participation in the South Texas State Fair.

J. All exhibitors must bring into the show ring for judging any animal, rabbit or poultry properly entered in any show class and passed upon by the Sifting Committee as eligible for competition, unless the reason for their non-appearance in the ring is acceptable to the Show Chairman in charge. All single breeding cattle and steers for exhibition must be shown in the ring with a halter. Any unruly animal requiring more than one attendant while being judged may be removed at the discretion of the Show Chairman.

K. Exhibitors refusing for any cause, not meeting the approval of the Livestock Chairman, to lead out their animals, rabbits or poultry for parade or for competition in the show ring when called for by the stewards in charge, will not only forfeit any prize previously won, but may be barred from further participation in the Show and required to move their stock from the fairgrounds within six hours after such refusal. The YMBL Executive Committee may further impose such additional penalty as, in its judgment, the case deserves.

L. To compete for prizes, all stock must be led into the show ring by hand with a halter.

M. No animal, rabbit, or poultry will be awarded a prize unless removed from its stall or pen and exhibited with a catalog number attached before the judging in the show ring.

## 13. ANIMAL HEALTH REGULATIONS

A. Exhibitors are reminded to study carefully the Rules and Regulations of the Texas Animal Health Commission.

B. Health certificates are not required for animals originating from the State of Texas.

C. All livestock and poultry entering from out of state must meet Texas entry requirements. If you have any questions regarding health papers or would like to obtain a copy of the Texas Animal Health Commission Rules, you may contact them at 1-800-550-8242 or you may visit their website at tahc.state.tx.us/animalhealth. Make sure you comply with any new Rules that may have changed from the Texas Animal Health Commission, prior to your Show Date.

## 14. UNETHICAL FITTING AND SHOWING OF LIVESTOCK

A. The showing of unethically fitted livestock or over the age that is eligible for exhibition in the class in which such animal is being presented for exhibition is prohibited. Unethical fitting is deemed to mean any physical or physiological attempt to alter the natural conformation, musculature or weight of animal by the use of injections or ingested material not conducive to the continued health of the animal or marketability of its carcass. Animals showing, in the opinion of the judge, and/or YMBL Executive Committee, signs of having been unethically fitted will be disqualified. Changing the major color pattern of an animal by painting or dyeing will NOT be allowed. Grooming material that allows color to come off an animal will NOT be allowed at the show.

B. Pumping, drenching, administering carbonated or alcoholic beverages, forced feeding, or drinking is NOT allowed on any animal. Drench guns are prohibited on the fairgrounds. Any violation of this rule will result in the Exhibitor's disqualification and immediate removal from the Fairgrounds. The Exhibitor will forfeit all Premiums and awards.

## 15. DRUG TESTING & INSPECTION

Every exhibitor, in consideration of their entry being accepted by the YMBL South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Show, agrees explicitly to submit any animal or fowl so entered by them to inspection by a Veterinarian appointed for such purpose by the YMBL, and likewise agrees explicitly to have such animal or fowl submitted to such tests as may be designated and requested and further agrees explicitly that the conclusions reached by the show Veterinarian as to whether such animal or fowl is unethically fitted or over-age, shall be final and conclusive, without recourse against the YMBL or any officer thereof or any show veterinarian as appointed aforesaid; and said exhibitor also by such entry waives any right of action which he might have for any action taken under this Rule, and releases the YMBL and the show veterinarian appointed to act for it under this Rule from any and all claims or demands whatsoever in connection with the inspection or testing of any such animal or fowl or any ruling or action taken by reason of the conclusion of such show veterinarian as to whether such animal or fowl is unethically fitted under the terms of this Rule. If an animal or fowl is disqualified for testing positive and/or the carcass is condemned at slaughter, the class placing will not change.

A. A minimum of two (2) random animals in each market show will be drug tested. All Grand and Reserve Champions in market shows, except for poultry and rabbits, will also be tested.

B. The YMBL South Texas State Fair reserves the right to have hair, tissue, blood, or urine laboratory analysis made on any animal entered for competition. The entering for show of any animal that has been administered any quantity of diuretic, unapproved growth stimulant, or other unapproved medication is prohibited and will result in the disqualification of the animal and exhibitor. Unapproved medication is deemed to mean not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and/or the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for slaughter animals. Approved medication is deemed to mean approved by the FDA and/or USDA for slaughter animals. Medication labels must be followed, and all medication residue must be completely out of the animals' system prior to the showing of the animal. Note that elimination time (the time it takes for no drug residue to be found in the system) is generally longer than the labeled withdrawal time for most approved drugs. If drug or chemical residues are found in the animal, the animal and exhibitor will be disqualified.

C. Any conclusions reached by the show Veterinarian in connection with any such tests requested will be final and without recourse against the show or any of its officers. An exhibitor of an animal producing an analysis with a quantity of diuretic, unapproved growth stimulant, or any other unapproved medication will forfeit all rights and privileges to exhibit animals in the future.

D. It is the sole responsibility of the Exhibitor to ensure that the animal is free of prescribed drugs and substances. The extent of knowledge on the part of the Exhibitor concerning the drugs or the substance found in an animal is not relevant to any issue, and it shall not be a defense that a person or persons unknown introduced the prescribed substance into the animal.

E. Auction proceeds will be withheld until tests are completed and reviewed. Grand Champion, Reserve Champion, and Random drug tests will be at the Fair's expense.

## 16. CARE OF LIVESTOCK, POULTRY, AND RABBITS WHILE ON FAIRGROUNDS

A. All arrivals, sales, judging, and releases will be in accordance with the Schedule of Events.

B. The Livestock Committee will inspect all livestock, poultry, and rabbits for proper care. Failure to feed, water, and care for livestock, poultry, and rabbits will result in forfeiture of all premium and sale monies, and the exhibitor may be barred from any future show or event of the South Texas State Fair.

C. Exhibitors must continuously care for their livestock, poultry, and rabbits from tag-in until the animal release date at the South Texas State Fair. The continuous care rule will apply to all Junior exhibitors. All livestock, poultry, and rabbits exhibited must be shown by their owner. When the owner is not able to exhibit, the exhibitor is not eligible for Showmanship.

D. Exhibitors may feed and water their livestock, poultry, and rabbits after the check-in and weigh-in have been completed and their animal is penned or caged.

E. Exhibitors may NOT feed or water their livestock, poultry, and rabbits while in the staging area of the Show ring without permission of the Show Chairman or Judge.

G. Food for livestock, poultry, and rabbits can be placed out between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and ***10:00 p.m. and*** feeding ***must be*** supervised until feeding is complete. Automatic nipple waterers will be allowed in Swine Stalls only and must be a minimum of 12 inches off the ground and attached to stall fencing. Lamb and Goat water buckets must be secured to stall fencing.

F. All livestock, poultry, and rabbits must be fed and watered once daily during their entire stay on the fairgrounds. Exhibitors will provide feed, water containers and feed containers and shavings for cages. Violation of this rule will result in exhibitors NOT receiving Premiums and/or Sale Checks and may result in exhibitors being barred from showing in the future.

G. If a licensed veterinarian treats an animal while on the showgrounds and the medication administered exceeds fifteen (15) days withdrawal time, the animal will be disqualified and not allowed to show.

H. There will be no powdery grooming aids used in grooming cattle. Example: Activated Charcoal, Masonry Dye, etc.

I. Trimming/grooming of permitted cattle is limited to an area designated by the Livestock Chairman.

J. If at any time an Exhibitor allows their exhibit and the immediate area to remain in an untidy and unsightly condition, the Fair Chairman may instruct the Livestock Division Chairman to demand the removal of the unsightly exhibit immediately and without any recourse.

K. All premium money and other awards previously won by any Exhibitor whose exhibit is removed will be forfeited.

## 17. ARRIVAL OF ANIMALS / ARRIVAL OF EXHIBITS

***The South Texas State Fair "no early check-in" policy will be strictly enforced to manage logistics, facility preparation, and animal health safety. If you arrive before the designated time, you will be turned away or forced to wait outside the grounds with your animals.***

## 18. RELEASE OF ANIMALS / REMOVAL OF EXHIBITS

A. Livestock, Poultry, and Rabbits on exhibition may NOT be removed from the showgrounds without a release given by the appropriate Livestock Secretary.

B. The exhibitor is responsible for obtaining release papers for all livestock to be removed from the Fairgrounds, including Breeding Beef.

C. Animals sold at Auction will only be released by the appropriate Livestock Secretary to approved and contracted packers. F-1 Heifers will be released to the exhibitor or buyer at the scheduled release time. *See Livestock & Poultry Show Schedule of Events.*

D. Release papers can be obtained from the Livestock Office at release time. No substitution of animals will be allowed on the fairgrounds.

E. Any market animal NOT making the Auction or sold in the online BARN SALE will be released to the exhibitor or buyer at the scheduled release time. *See Livestock & Poultry Show Schedule of Events.*

F. Release paperwork for all other animals, when release is to be to someone other than the exhibitor or parent, must be completed in the same manner as above. There will be no exception to this rule.

G. The YMBL Executive Committee reserves the right to remove from the fairgrounds any exhibit, animal, stand or show that may be falsely entered or may be deemed unsuitable or objectionable, without assigning a reason therefore, and, if necessary, to return any money already paid for space or stalls which shall exonerate them from any claim whatsoever on the part of the exhibitors or purchaser.

H. All dates & times for all Poultry & Livestock Shows & their Releases are listed in the Schedule of Events.

## 19. TERMINAL SHOW

A. Any animal or poultry selected for the Jr. Livestock & Poultry Auction MUST BE SOLD AT AUCTION. The Auction is TERMINAL for goats, lambs, poultry, rabbits, steers, and swine. The F-1 Commercial Heifers are NOT terminal. Any violation of these rules will result in the Exhibitor's removal from the Fairgrounds at that time, and the Exhibitor will be disqualified from entering the South Texas State Fair Jr Livestock or Poultry Show at any future date. The Exhibitor will forfeit all Premiums and awards.

Any animal or poultry that the exhibitor chooses to offer for sale in the online BARN SALE is TERMINAL except for F-1 Commercial Heifers. Barn sale animals will be sent to the buyer's selected packer.

B. It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to dress and deliver to the Buyer or their Designee all fowl and rabbits sold at Auction within two (2) weeks after the Auction date unless delivery of the purchased animal is declined by the buyer in writing. Exhibitors failing to comply with this rule will be ineligible for future competition in the South Texas State Fair. By entering their animal in the Auction, the exhibitor agrees to pay to the South Texas State Fair the Auction purchase price of each animal sold in the Auction, for failure to comply with this rule, and will be invoiced for the auction purchase price.

## 20. STALL RESERVATIONS

A. All entry fees are due and payable upon application for entry and must be paid before stall and pen assignments are made. No refunds. For the applicable entry fee, see Livestock and Poultry Important Dates and Entry Fees in this rulebook.

B. When possible, shelter will be provided for breeding stock brought in for exhibition.

C. Motorized vehicles and equipment are NOT allowed in the Livestock Barns at any time.

**21. SIGNS**

A. Exhibitors of non-market show animals are permitted to display a sign over their exhibit advertising their own herd. Exhibitors having livestock for sale may display one sign to each exhibit, showing the name of the firm or individual to whom the purchase was consigned.

B. "FOR SALE" signs will NOT be allowed on any MARKET ANIMAL until after that animal's appropriate AUCTION category has been completed. (This RULE, if not adhered to, may cause the removal of exhibitor and/or 4-H Club and/or FFA Chapter from the fairgrounds and may also bar them from entering any exhibits/animals at any future South Texas State Fair competitions.)

**22. NURSE COWS -** Nurse Cows are not allowed on showgrounds.

**23. PETS -** No pets are allowed in the barns, except for service animals.

**24. TRAILERS - JUNIOR EXHIBITORS**

No trailers will be left on the fairgrounds without the permission of the Livestock Division Chairman.

**25. GATE ADMISSION BADGE AND AUTO PASSES**

A. All Livestock Exhibitors will enter **Gate 0** located on Hwy. 124.

B. Livestock & Poultry Exhibitor Auto Pass - One auto pass will be issued per family, either Open or Junior Show, at the entry of the exhibit. One additional auto pass per Exhibitor may be purchased for **$25.00**. This rule includes all Exhibitors in Livestock, Poultry, Rabbits, etc.

C. Livestock & Poultry Exhibitors Badge - This I.D. Badge will be issued to exhibitors after they check in their animals. This I.D. Badge is for use at the Livestock & Poultry walk-in gate only. One (1) badge will be issued to each exhibitor, and not more than **four** (4) badges per family will be issued. One additional Badge may be purchased for $25.00.

**26. USING ANIMALS IN JUDGING CONTESTS AND LIVESTOCK AUCTION**

A. When an exhibitor is called upon to furnish one or more animals for the students to judge in the Livestock Judging Contests or the Livestock Auction, they are expected to do so. Refusing to allow their animal to be used in this manner for any cause not meeting with the approval of the Show Chairman will cause the exhibitor to forfeit any prizes they may win and be barred from further participation in the show.

B. Animals to be used in Livestock Judging Contests will be selected by the Show Chairman. Whenever possible, permission will be obtained from those who wish to cooperate with the contest in this manner.

**27. SPECIAL AWARDS**

A. Junior Cattle Show Aisle Prize will be a Banner for First Place to be awarded to the best-kept aisle, starting on the first day of the Fair, continuing through the last day of the Fair.

B. Herdsman Award will be a Banner given to the outstanding Cattle Herdsman starting on the first day of the Fair, continuing through the last day of the Fair.
The following points will be considered: Showmanship, Personal Appearance, Observance of all rules and regulations, and Cooperation with show officials in promoting the Livestock Show in general.

C. An AISLE PRIZE of a banner may be awarded to the 4-H Club or FFA Chapter for the best-kept area during the Fair. An Exhibit of four (4) or more animals will constitute an exhibit of any club or chapter. This applies to Steers and Breeding Beef only.

D. A goat, lamb, or swine Pen Prize of **$15.00** may be awarded to a 4-H or FFA exhibitor for the best kept area each day during the Fair.

E. A Supreme Award Banner will be given to one FFA Chapter and one 4-H Club. The award will be given to the Chapter and Club with the highest total points earned from the following: Jr. Market Lamb Show, Jr. Market Goat Show, Jr. Market Broiler Show, Jr. Market Roaster Show, Jr. Meat-pen Rabbit Show, Jr. Market Swine Show, Jr. Market Commercial F-1 Heifer Show, Jr. Market Steer Show and Jr. Breeding Beef Show.

For the shows listed above, show points will be awarded as follows:

a. All Shows Grand Champion = 50 points
b. All Shows Reserve Champion = 25 points
c. All Exhibitors making Auction = 5 points

For any shows listed above that have Showmanship, points will be awarded as follows:

a. Senior Showmanship = 50 points
b. Junior Showmanship = 50 points
c. Reserve Senior Showmanship = 40 points
d. Reserve Junior Showmanship = 40 points

For the Agricultural Mechanics Show, points will be awarded as follows:

a. Each Division 1st place = 50 points
b. Each Division 2nd Place = 40 points
c. Grand Champion Project = 50 points
d. Reserve Grand Champion Project = 25 points

For the 4-H & FFA Livestock Judging Contest, points will be awarded as follows:

a. Senior & Junior Team Division
    1. Team 1st Place = 50 points
    2. Team 2nd Place = 40 points
    3. Team 3rd Place = 30 points
    4. Team 4th Place = 20 points

b. Senior & Junior Individual Division
    1. Individual 1st Place (High Point Individual) = 50 points
    2. Individual 2nd Place = 40 points
    3. Individual 3rd Place = 30 points
    4. Individual 4th Place = 20 points
    5. Individual 5th Place = 10 points

For the 4-H & FFA Record Keeping Contest, points will be awarded as follows:

a. Category – Rabbits & Poultry
    1. 1st Place = 50 points
    2. 2nd place = 40 points
    3. 3rd Place = 30 points

b. Category – Swine, Lamb & Goat
    1. 1st Place = 50 points
    2. 2nd place = 40 points
    3. 3rd Place = 30 points

c. Category – Steers, F1 Heifers & Breeding Beef
    1. 1st Place = 50 points
    2. 2nd place = 40 points
    3. 3rd Place = 30 points

Awards will be presented in the Large Barn after the Livestock Judging awards have been given.

## 28. 1977 MANDATORY PULLORUM-TYPHOID ACT FOR SHOWS, FAIRS AND/OR EXHIBITIONS OF POULTRY

All poultry entering the showgrounds must comply with the following mandatory pullorum-typhoid regulations. The 1977 Pullorum Disease and Fowl Typhoid Act requires **ALL** poultry going to public exhibition to originate from pullorum-typhoid clean flocks or hatcheries or have a negative pullorum-typhoid test before exhibition.

### IN-STATE

A. Market Show Poultry (Broiler or Roaster)
    1. Thirty days before the show date, a validated PT Form 03 must be filed with show officials.

    2. For youth to be eligible to show poultry, a completed PT Form 03 must be mailed to the following address: **Mandatory Pullorum-Typhoid Program, Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory, P. O. Drawer 3040, College Station, Texas 77841-3040, Telephone Number: (409) 845-4186; Fax Number: (409) 845-1794.** The County Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Teacher must complete the form, no later than thirty (30) days before the show date. This form should include individual and group purchases of young poultry that may compete. One form with an attached computer list of show participants will be accepted.

B. Breeding Poultry (all domesticated poultry other than market birds placed in public exhibition).
    1. All arriving breeding poultry at this show must have proof of pullorum-typhoid status as stated in the Texas Mandatory Pullorum-Typhoid Act as follows:
        a. Originate from a flock certified as National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) U.S. Pullorum- Typhoid Clean, or Originate from a flock certified as Pullorum-Typhoid Clean by the Texas Pullorum Disease and Fowl Typhoid Control Program, or an adverse reaction to the pullorum-typhoid test conducted by an authorized agent within ninety (90) days before the show.

    2. Entries satisfying the requirements of methods a, b, or c must be accompanied by one of the following: A National Poultry Improvement Plan VS Form 9-3 (NPIP Form 15, a Texas Pullorum-Typhoid Control Program Form 02, or a copy of a current PT testing report.

    3. Evidence of compliance with the pullorum-typhoid requirements shall be submitted with each entry.

### OUT-OF-STATE

A. Poultry shipped into the State of Texas shall be accompanied by a permit number and official health certificate issued by an accredited veterinarian. The certificate is valid for thirty (30) days. A permit number for entries is not required when poultry enter for exhibition and return to the state of origin. The health certificate shall state that the poultry have been inspected and are free of evidence of infectious or contagious disease,

that the poultry have been vaccinated only with approved vaccines as defined in this regulation, and that the poultry have not originated from an area that has had active Laryngotracheitis within the last thirty (30) days. The certificate shall also state that the poultry have passed a negative test for pullorum and typhoid within thirty (30) days before shipment or that they originate from flocks which have met the pullorum-typhoid requirements of the Texas Pullorum-Typhoid Program and/or the National Poultry Improvement Plan. Baby poultry will be exempt from this section if from an NPIP or equivalent hatchery and accompanied by NPIP Form 9-3 or APHIS Form 17-6.

B. An official health certificate is not required on poultry shipped into the State of Texas for shows, fairs, or exhibitions of less than ten (10) days duration, with immediate return to the State of origin, provided they are accompanied by a VS 9-2 or NPIP 3B blood testing report or a current state testing report form and providing they originate from a State that is classified as U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean and that State has no flock under federal quarantine for any infectious disease of poultry. For further details, contact **Texas Animal Health Commission, P.O. Box 12966, Austin, Texas 78711,** and Telephone Number: (512) 719-0700.

# JUNIOR BREEDING BEEF SHOW

**► For dates & times of all Shows, check-in times, and releases, see the Show Schedule of Events.**

**► Any premium monies due to exhibitors, not picked up by the determined deadline for each Show or Event, will be forfeited, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

► Late entries received past the entry deadline will be subject to an additional fee of $20.00 per head per show.

## I. JUNIOR BREEDING BEEF SHOW RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read and be familiar with all the General Rules and Regulations. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

1. All animals in the named class must be continuously and personally cared for not less than 90 days before the judging date and must be registered in the respective breed association in the exhibitor's name.

2. A Photocopy of the registration showing ownership must accompany entry forms. Only entries of animals six months or younger may use a Herd handler or Registration Application at the time entries are due in the YMBL office.

3. Animals will be judged by breed (5 or more head entered constitutes a breed), listed in each of the four Divisions; each division will be shown in alphabetical order.

4. American Division: (examples include: Beefmaster, Brahman, Brangus, Braford, Santa Gertrudis, Simbrah, all other American breeds).

5. English Division: (examples include: Angus, Red Angus, Hereford, Shorthorn, all other English breeds).

6. Exotic Division: (examples include: Chianina, Charlois, Limousin, Maine Anjou, Simmental, all other Exotic breeds).

7. Breed Champion Females will compete for Division Champion and Reserve Division Champion. Bulls will not compete for Division Champions or Breed Champions.

8. Parents / County Agents / FFA Teachers will be permitted to check in animals.

9. Bulls are required to be shown with a nose ring and lead, if unruly.

## II. BREEDING BEEF SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

1. This contest is open to all FFA and 4-H members showing Breeding Beef. This contest does not pay premiums.
2. The showmanship contest will be immediately after the Breeding Beef Show has been completed. There will be two age groups:
   a. Senior exhibitors – 14 years and older on the date of the show.
   b. Junior exhibitors – 13 years of age and younger on the date of the show.
3. Any Breeding Beef exhibitor that has shown in the Breeding Beef Show may enter this Showmanship Contest, but they must show their own animal.
4. Cattle need not be fitted for the Showmanship Contest.

## III. BREEDING BEEF SHOW AWARDS & CLASSES

1. Breeding Beef Show Classes and Premiums **(Heifers)**
2. Breeds & Class Breaks will be determined upon number of entries.
3. Five or more entries of each breed will constitute a Breed. If less than five in one breed, animals will show in Other Registered Breed Class in each Division.

Each breed will consist of 4 age classes:
Class 1: 12 months and under
Class 2: 13 to 18 months
Class 3: 19 to 24 months
Class 4: 25 months and over

Classification by birthdate will be based on the age of the animal on the date of the show.

4. Placings in each Class will pay as follows: 1st - $40.00 / 2nd - $30.00 / 3rd - $20.00
4th - $15.00 / 5th - $10.00

Ribbons – 1st thru 5th
Rosettes – Breed Champion & Reserve
Banners – Reserve & Division Champions (from Breed Champions of respective Breeds Division)
Pennant & Buckle – Reserve Champion Overall
Buckle – Overall **Female** Champion (from Breed Champions of respective Breeds Division)

5. Breeding Beef **Bull** Show Classes and Premiums
Bulls will not be shown by Division or Breed.
Bulls will be shown in 4 age classes: Class 1: 12 months and under
Class 2: 13 to 18 months
Class 3: 19 to 24 months
Class 4: 25 months and over

Classification by birthdate will be based on the age of the animal on the date of the show.

6. No Division or Breed Champions in Bulls.

7. Placings in each Class will pay as follows: 1st - $40.00 / 2nd - $30.00 / 3rd - $20.00
4th - $15.00 / 5th - $10.00

Ribbons 1st thru 5th
Pennant & Buckle – Reserve Champion Overall
Buckle & Banner: Overall Champion (selected from Classes)

8. Breeding Beef Showmanship Awards:
Buckle - Senior Champion Showman
Buckle - Reserve Senior Champion Showman

Buckle - Junior Champion Showman
Buckle - Reserve Junior Champion Showman

# JUNIOR MARKET F-1
# COMMERCIAL HEIFER SHOW

***The 2027 South Texas State Fair F-1 Heifer Show will be the last year of the show.***

**► For dates & times of all Shows, check-in times, and releases, see the Show Schedule of Events.**

**► Any premium monies due to exhibitors, not picked up by the determined deadline for each Show or Event, will be forfeited, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

► Late entries received past the entry deadline will be subject to additional fees. *For applicable late entry information and fees, see Section 5 J in this rule book.*

## I. JUNIOR MARKET F-1 COMMERCIAL HEIFER SHOW RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read all the General Rules and Regulations and be familiar with them. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

1. An exhibitor may tag two (2) F-1 Heifers, but may only pen and show one (1) F-1 Heifer at the Jr. Market F-1 Commercial Heifer Show, hereafter referred to as the Show. The exhibitor is not required to send in notification of which of their two (2) F-1's will be shown however they must designate at check-in. At check-in, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to designate the correct animal & tag number that was brought to show. Also, the exhibitor must make sure they receive the correct SHOW NUMBER at check-in; it is the exhibitor's responsibility to make sure they have the correct entry number at CHECK-IN.

2. All F-1 Heifers will be tagged in by the Exhibitor's AST or County Extension Agent prior to entry submission.

3. F-1 Heifers in the Show must have been owned by the exhibitor from the time of entry until the Show date. F-1 Heifers must be continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor under the supervision of an Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent.

4. The South Texas State Fair Livestock Division will organize the check-in/weigh-in. Both the check-in and weigh-in will be held at the same time. Exhibitor (and or parent/guardian and/or County Extension Agent and/or Agricultural Science Teacher) will drive in with animals and unload. All animals must be prepared to be checked by the show Veterinarian and weighed at that time. If the animal meets the weight and passes inspection by the show Veterinarian, it can then be penned by the exhibitor at the direction of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Division. Exhibitor will then receive any passes that are issued, along with pertinent information.

5. Heifers must have been born on or after **March 31, 2025,** and be an offspring resulting from the breeding of a purebred Brahman with any other recognized purebred beef animal. F-1 Heifers cannot exceed 50% Brahman.

6. All F-1 heifers must be registered in the exhibitor's name with the American Brahman Breeders Association and must be Golden Certified or Certified. Registration papers are due at the time of entry - NO EXCEPTIONS.

7. F-1 Heifers must be branded, tagged, or tattooed with the breeder's brand before tag-in.

8. F-1 Heifers may **NOT** show with a calf at their side.

9. F-1 Heifers that have given birth will **NOT** be eligible to show.

10. F-1 Heifers are to be calfhood vaccinated for brucellosis by the weigh-in.

11. F-1 Heifers **must be dehorned** by the start of the South Texas State Fair F-1 Heifer **weigh-in.** CLIPPING / TRIMMING on heifers (electrical or manual) will NOT be allowed once heifers are on the fairgrounds. All heifers found in violation of this rule will be eliminated from competition and removed from the fairgrounds.

12. Exhibitors should feed their heifers to promote growth rather than finish. Exhibitors should consult with their 4-H Leader, County Extension Agent, or Agricultural Science Teacher to develop a sound feed program. Nurse cows will not be allowed during the feeding period.

13. Heifers weighing less than 500 lbs. will be sifted. If a heifer is disqualified because of its weight and the exhibitor wishes to challenge the official weight, the Exhibitor (and or parent/guardian and/or County Extension Agent and/or Agricultural Science Teacher) must immediately notify the Show Chairman of the challenge before the heifer is removed from the scale. The heifer will be removed from the scale, the scale reset to zero, and the heifer re-weighed a final time. The weight shown on the official scale after the challenge will be the final and official weight. Heifers not meeting the minimum weight must be removed from the showgrounds immediately.

14. Animals that meet all requirements of this Jr. F-1 Commercial Heifer Show will be eligible for Auction. The appointed Show Judge will pick the sale order. Exhibitors must notify the Show Chairman immediately if they choose NOT to sell their heifer at said Auction. Overall Grand & Reserve Champions must go to Auction.

15. The number of F-1 Heifers going to Auction will be 60% of all Heifers exhibited, up to a maximum of 10 head. The Judge will pick two (2) additional F-1 Heifers to be used as alternates in the event they are needed at the Auction. F-1 Heifers are NOT terminal.

16. F-1 Heifers entered in this show are eligible to show in the Fair Jr. Breeding Beef Show, upon timely completion of all proper entry forms and timely payment of all entry fees.

17. All F-1 Heifers, except those going to the Auction, and the 1st and 2nd alternates, and those participating in the barn sale, may leave the Fairgrounds after the show, at the time designated on the Schedule of Events. Releases are necessary for all F-1 Heifers leaving the Fairgrounds.

18. F-1 Heifers remaining on the Fairgrounds must be picked up by 12:00 NOON on the last Sunday of the Fair. A release must be obtained from the appropriate Livestock Secretary before any F-1 Heifer can be removed from the Fairgrounds at the conclusion of the Fair.

## II. JUNIOR MARKET F-1 COMMERCIAL HEIFER SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

1. This contest is open to all FFA and 4-H members showing commercial F-1 Heifers.

2. The showmanship contest will be held immediately after the sale order has been completed. There are two age groups: **Sr. Exhibitors (14 years of age or older as of the date of the show).** **Jr. Exhibitors (13 years of age and younger as of the date of the show).**

3. Any F-1 Heifer exhibitor that has shown in the F-1 Heifer Show may enter this Showmanship Contest, but they must show their own animal.

## III. JUNIOR MARKET F-1 COMMERCIAL HEIFER SHOW AWARDS

1. Ribbons first through fifth places (1 - 5) in each class.
2. Show Placing pays as follows: 1st-$40.00 / 2nd-$30.00 / 3rd - $20.00 / 4th - $15.00 / 5th - 10.00
3. Grand Champion Junior F-1 Commercial Heifer – Banner and Buckle
4. Reserve Champion Junior F-1 Commercial Heifer – Banner and Buckle
5. Senior Showmanship – Buckle Only, no premium paid.
6. Junior Showmanship – Buckle Only, no premium paid.

# JUNIOR MARKET GILT AND BARROW SHOW

**► For dates & times of all Shows, check-in times, and releases, see the Show Schedule of Events.**

**► Any premium monies due to exhibitors, not picked up by the determined deadline for each Show or Event, will be forfeited, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

► Late entries received past the entry deadline will be subject to additional fees. *For applicable late entry information and fees, see Section 5J of this rule book.*

## I. JUNIOR MARKET GILT AND BARROW SHOW RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read and be familiar with all the General Rules and Regulations. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

1. An exhibitor may tag two (2) gilts or barrows, but may only check-in, pen, and show one (1) gilt or barrow at the Junior Market Swine Show, hereafter referred to as the Show. The exhibitor is not required to send in notification of which of their two (2) gilts or barrows will be shown; however, they must designate at check-in. At check-in, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to designate the correct animal & tag number that was brought to show. Also, the exhibitor must ensure they receive the correct SHOW NUMBER at check-in; it is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure they have the correct entry number at CHECK-IN.

2. All Gilts or barrows will be tagged in by the Exhibitor's AST or County Extension Agent before entry submission. Gilts or barrows must show an ear tag number from the South Texas State Fair and should be in the swine's **RIGHT ear**. Only one additional show tag from another Show is allowed in the opposite ear. A maximum of two (2) ear tags is allowed, one in each ear, on the Swine entered.

3. Gilts or barrows in the Show must have been owned by the exhibitor from the time of entry until the Show date. Gilts or barrows must be continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor under the supervision of an Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent.

4. The South Texas State Fair Livestock Division will organize the check-in/weigh-in. Both the check-in and weigh-in will be held at the same time. Exhibitor (and or parent/guardian and/or County Extension Agent and/or Agricultural Science Teacher) will drive in with the animal, unload the animal, and have it weighed at that time. If the animal meets the weight, it can then be penned by the exhibitor at the direction of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Division. Exhibitors will then receive any passes that are issued, along with other pertinent information.

5. Gilts or Barrows weighing less than **two hundred fifty (250) pounds or weighing more than three hundred (300)** pounds will be sifted. If a gilt or barrow is disqualified because of its weight and the exhibitor wishes to challenge the official weight, the Exhibitor (and or parent/guardian and/or County Extension Agent and/or Agricultural Science Teacher) must immediately notify the Show Chairman of the challenge before the swine is removed from the scale. The swine will be immediately removed from the scale, the scale reset to zero, and the swine re-weighed a final time. The weight shown on the official scale after the challenge will be the final and official weight. Swine not meeting the minimum weight or that are over the maximum weight must be removed from the showgrounds immediately.

6. Gilts or barrows may be penned two (2) per pen. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to provide a divider, if desired.

7. CLIPPING/TRIMMING on swine (electrical or manual) will NOT be allowed once swine are on the fairgrounds. All swine found in violation of this rule will be eliminated from competition and removed from the fairgrounds.

8. All Gilts or barrows are subject to being weighed during their class shows, with a tolerance of plus or minus ten (10) pounds from their official weight. A gilt or barrow above or below this weight tolerance will be disqualified.

9. The first-place swine of each class will show for Grand Champion. The second-place swine from the class that the Grand Champion came from will compete for Reserve Champion, along with the first-place swine from the other classes. The Judge will pick the top forty (40) swine to sell at Auction. The Judge will select two (2) additional swine to be used as alternates in the event they are needed at the Auction.

10. Swine, except those going to the Auction and the 1st and 2nd alternates and those participating in the barn sale, may leave the Fairgrounds after the show, at the time designated on the Schedule of Events. *Releases are required for all Swine leaving the Fairgrounds.*

11. Swine remaining on the Fairgrounds after the night of their show must remain in the barn until the last Sunday of the Fair. Deadline to pick up Swine ends at 12:00 NOON on the last Sunday of the Fair. A release must be obtained from the appropriate Livestock Secretary before any Swine can be removed from the Fairgrounds at the conclusion of the Fair.

**SWINE NOTICE**

SWINE WILL BE SUBJECT TO SIFTING BY A SIFTING COMMITTEE IF PEN SPACE IS LIMITED. DIRTY PENS WILL BE GROUNDS FOR SIFTING. ALL SIFTED SWINE MUST BE REMOVED FROM THE FAIRGROUNDS IMMEDIATELY.

## II. JUNIOR MARKET SWINE SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

1. This contest is open to all FFA and 4-H members showing market swine. No premiums are paid for the Showmanship Contest.

2. The showmanship contest will be held immediately after the sale order has been completed. There will be two age groups:
   **Sr. Exhibitors – 14 years and older as of the date of the show**
   **Jr. Exhibitors – 13 years and younger as of the date of the show**

3. Any market swine exhibitor that has shown in the Market Swine Show may enter this Showmanship Contest, but they must show their own animal.

## III. JUNIOR MARKET SWINE SHOW AWARDS

1. Ribbons first through fifth places (1 - 5) in each class.
2. Show Placing will pay as follows: 1st - $40.00 / 2nd - $30.00 / 3rd - $20.00
   4th - $15.00 / 5th - $10.00
3. Grand Champion Swine – Banner and Buckle
4. Reserve Champion Swine – Banner and Buckle
5. Senior Showmanship 14 and older – Buckle only
6. Junior Showmanship 13 and younger – Buckle only

# JUNIOR MARKET GOAT SHOW

**► For dates & times of all Shows, check-in times, and releases, see the Show Schedule of Events.**

**► Any premium monies due to exhibitors, not picked up by the determined deadline for each Show or Event, will be forfeited, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

► Late entries received past the entry deadline will be subject to additional fees. *For applicable late entry information and fees, see Section 5 J in this rule book.*

## I. JUNIOR MARKET GOAT SHOW RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read all the General Rules and Regulations and be familiar with them. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

1. An exhibitor may tag two (2) goats, but may only check-in, pen, and show one (1) at the Junior Market Goat Show, hereafter referred to as the Show. The exhibitor is not required to send in notification of which of their two (2) goats will be shown; however, they must designate at check-in. At check-in, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to designate the correct animal & tag number that was brought to show. Also, the exhibitor must make sure they receive the correct show number at check-in. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure they have the correct entry number at check-in.
2. This show is open to any breed or crossbred goat female (unbred) or wether goat. Any female showing signs of being bred will be disqualified.
3. All Goats will be tagged in by the Exhibitor's AST or County Extension Agent before entry submission.
4. Goats in the Show must have been owned by the exhibitor from the time of entry until the Show date. Goats must be continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor under the supervision of an Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent.
5. The South Texas State Fair Livestock Division will organize the check-in/weigh-in. Both the check-in and weigh-in will be held at the same time. Exhibitor (and or parent/guardian and/or County Extension Agent and/or Agricultural Science Teacher) will drive in with the animal and unload the animal. All animals must be prepared to be checked by the show Veterinarian and weighed at that time. If the animal meets the weight and passes inspection by the show Veterinarian, it can then be penned by the exhibitor at the direction of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Division. Exhibitors will then receive any passes that are issued, along with pertinent information.
6. Goats weighing less than sixty **(60)** pounds or weighing more than one-hundred-twenty-five **(125)** pounds will be sifted. If a goat is disqualified because of its weight and the exhibitor wishes to challenge the official weight, the Exhibitor (and or parent/guardian and/or County Extension Agent and/or Agricultural Science Teacher) must immediately notify the Show Chairman of the challenge before the goat is removed from the scale. The goat will be removed from the scale, the scale reset to zero, and the goat re-weighed a final time. The weight shown on the official scale after the challenge will be the final and official weight. Goats that do not meet the minimum weight or are over the maximum weight must be removed from the showgrounds immediately.
7. The number of classes of goats will be at the discretion of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Division Chairman.
8. Goats may be penned two (2) per pen; it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to provide a divider if desired.

9. Goats must be dehorned or horns must be tipped. Ends of the tipped horns must be smaller than the diameter of a dime. CLIPPING/TRIMMING on goats (electrical or manual) will NOT be allowed once goats are on the fairgrounds. All goats found in violation of this rule will be eliminated from competition and removed from the fairgrounds.

10. Goats will be washed and dried at the time of the show, and No Grooming Aids are allowed.

11. All goats are subject to reweighing following their class shows, with a tolerance of plus or minus **five (5)** pounds from their official weight. Any goat exceeding this weight tolerance will be disqualified.

12. Any animal being excessively braced by the exhibitor during the show will not be judged.

13. Each exhibitor must be able to show his or her goat unassisted with a halter during judging and the showmanship contest.

14. All sale goats will be jaw branded.

15. The first-place goat of each class will show for Grand Champion. The second-place goat from the class that the Grand Champion came from will compete for Reserve Champion, along with the first-place goats from the other classes. The judge will pick up to the top fifteen (15) goats to sell at the Auction. The Judge will choose two (2) additional goats to be used as alternates in the event they are needed at the Auction.

16. Goats, except those going to the Auction and the 1st and 2nd alternates and those participating in the barn sale, may leave the Fairgrounds after the show, at the time designated on the Schedule of Events. *Releases are required for all Goats leaving the Fairgrounds.*

17. Goats remaining on the Fairgrounds after the night of the show must remain until the last Sunday of the Fair. Deadline to pick up Goats ends at 12:00 NOON on the last Sunday of the Fair. A release must be obtained from the appropriate Livestock Secretary before any Goat can be removed from the Fairgrounds at the conclusion of the Fair.

**GOAT NOTICE**

GOATS WILL BE SUBJECT TO SIFTING BY A SIFTING COMMITTEE IF PEN SPACE IS LIMITED. ALL SIFTED GOATS MUST BE REMOVED FROM THE FAIRGROUNDS IMMEDIATELY.

## II. JUNIOR MARKET GOAT SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

1. This contest is open to all FFA and 4-H members showing a market goat.
2. The showmanship contest will be held immediately after the sale order has been completed. There will be two age groups:
   **Sr. Exhibitors - 14 years and older as of the date of the show.**
   **Jr. Exhibitors – 13 years and younger as of the date of the show**
3. Any market goat exhibitor that has shown in the Market Goat Show may enter this Showmanship Contest, but they must show their own animal.

## III. JUNIOR MARKET GOAT SHOW AWARDS

1. Ribbons first through fifth places (1 - 5) in each class.
2. Show Placing pays as follows:1st-$40.00 /2nd-$30.00 /3rd - $20.00 / 4th-$15.00 / 5th-$10.00
3. Grand Champion Goat – Banner and Buckle
4. Reserve Champion Goat – Banner and Buckle
5. Senior Showmanship 14 and older – Buckle only, no premium
6. Junior Showmanship 13 and younger – Buckle

# JUNIOR MARKET LAMB SHOW

**► For dates & times of all Shows, check-in times, and releases, see the Show Schedule of Events.**

**► Any premium monies due to exhibitors, not picked up by the determined deadline for each Show or Event, will be forfeited, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

► Late entries received past the entry deadline will be subject to additional fees. *For applicable late entry information and fees, see Section 5 J in this rule book.*

## I. JUNIOR MARKET LAMB SHOW RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read all the General Rules and Regulations and be familiar with them. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

1. An exhibitor may tag two (2) lambs, but may only check-in, pen, and show one (1) lamb at the Junior Market Lamb Show, hereafter referred to as the Show. The exhibitor is not required to send in notification of which of their two (2) lambs will be shown; however, they must designate at check-in. At check-in, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to designate the correct animal & tag number that was brought to show. Also, the exhibitor must make sure they receive the correct SHOW NUMBER at check-in; it is the exhibitor's responsibility to make sure they have the correct entry number at CHECK-IN.

4. All Lambs will be tagged in by the Exhibitor's AST or County Extension Agent before entry submission.

3. Lambs in the Show must have been owned by the exhibitor from the time of entry until the Show date. Lambs must be continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor under the supervision of an Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent.

4. The South Texas State Fair Livestock Division will organize the check-in/weigh-in. Both the check-in and weigh-in will be held at the same time. Exhibitor (and or parent/guardian and/or County Extension Agent and/or Agricultural Science Teacher) will drive in with animals and unload. All animals must be prepared to be checked by the show Veterinarian and weighed at that time. If the animal meets the weight and passes inspection by the show Veterinarian, it can then be penned by the exhibitor at the direction of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Division. Exhibitor will then receive any passes that are issued, along with pertinent information.

5. Lambs weighing less than **75** pounds will be sifted. If a lamb is disqualified because of its weight and the exhibitor wishes to challenge the official weight, the Exhibitor (and or parent/guardian and/or County Extension Agent and/or Agricultural Science Teacher), must immediately notify the Show Chairman of the challenge before the lamb is removed from the scale. The lamb will be removed from the scale, the scale reset to zero, and the lamb re-weighed a final time. The weight shown on the official scale after the challenge will be the final and official weight. Lambs not meeting the minimum weight must be removed from the showgrounds immediately.

6. The remaining lambs will be divided into classes by weight.

7. Lambs may be penned two (2) per pen. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to provide a divider, if one is desired.

8. Lambs must be slick shorn from the knee and hock up at the time of weigh-in. Lambs with excessive wool will not be weighed until shorn to meet the satisfaction of the Show Chairman. CLIPPING/TRIMMING on lambs (electrical or manual) will NOT be allowed once lambs are on the fairgrounds. All lambs found in violation of this rule will be eliminated from the competition and removed from the fairgrounds.

9. All lambs are subject to reweighing following their class shows, with a tolerance of plus or minus **five (5)** pounds from their official weight. Any lamb exceeding this weight tolerance will be disqualified.

10. All sale lambs will be jaw branded.

11. The first-place lamb of each class will show for Grand Champion. The second-place lamb from the class that the Grand Champion came from will compete for Reserve Champion, along with the first-place lambs from the other classes. The judge will pick up to the top ten (10) lambs to sell at the Auction. The Judge will choose two (2) additional lambs to be used as alternates in the event they are needed at the Auction.

12. Lambs, except those going to the Auction and the 1st and 2nd alternates and those participating in the barn sale, may leave the Fairgrounds after the show, at the time designated on the Schedule of Events. *Releases are required for all Lambs leaving the Fairgrounds.*

13. Lambs remaining on the Fairgrounds after the night of the show must remain until the last Sunday of the Fair. Deadline to pick up Lambs ends at 12:00 NOON on the last Sunday of the Fair. A release must be obtained from the appropriate Livestock Secretary before any lamb can be removed from the Fairgrounds at the conclusion of the Fair.

## II. JUNIOR MARKET LAMB SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

1. This contest is open to all FFA and 4-H members showing market lambs. No premiums are paid for the Showmanship Contest.

2. The Showmanship Contest will be immediately after the sale order has been completed. There will be two age groups:
   **Sr. Exhibitors – Ages 14 & older as of the date of the show.**
   **Jr. Exhibitors – Ages 13 & younger as of the date of the show.**

3. Any market lamb exhibitor that has shown in the Market Lamb Show may enter this Showmanship Contest, but they must show their own animal.

## III. JUNIOR MARKET LAMB SHOW AWARDS

1. Ribbons first through fifth places (1 - 5) in each class.
2. Placing will pay as follows: 1st - $40.00 / 2nd - $30.00 / 3rd - $20.00
   4th - $15.00 / 5th - $10.00
3. Grand Champion Lamb – Banner and Buckle
4. Reserve Champion Lamb – Banner and Buckle
5. Senior Showmanship 14 and older – Buckle only
6. Junior Showmanship 13 and younger – Buckle only

# JUNIOR MARKET STEER SHOW

**► For dates & times of all Shows, check-in times, and releases, see the Show Schedule of Events.**

**► Any premium monies due to exhibitors, not picked up by the determined deadline for each Show or Event, will be forfeited, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

► Late entries received past the entry deadline will be subject to additional fees. *For applicable late entry information and fees, see Section 5 J in this rule book.*

## I. JUNIOR MARKET STEER SHOW RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read all the General Rules and Regulations and be familiar with them. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

1. An exhibitor may tag two (2) steers, but may only check-in, pen, and show one (1) steer at the Junior Market Steer Show, hereafter referred to as the Show. The exhibitor is not required to send in notification of which of their two (2) steers will be shown; however, they must designate at check-in. At check-in, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to designate the correct animal & tag number that was brought to show. Also, the exhibitor must make sure they receive the correct show number at check-in. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure they have the correct entry number at check-in.

2. All steers must be tagged by the Exhibitor's AST or County Extension Agent before entry submission.

3. Steers in the Show must have been owned by the exhibitor from the time of entry until the Show date. Steers must be continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor under the supervision of an Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent.

4. The South Texas State Fair Livestock Division will organize the check-in/weigh-in. Both the check-in and weigh-in will be held at the same time. Exhibitor (and or parent/guardian and/or County Extension Agent and/or Agricultural Science Teacher) will drive in with animals and unload. All animals must be prepared to be checked by the show Veterinarian and weighed at that time. If the animal meets the weight and passes inspection by the show Veterinarian, it can then be stalled by the exhibitor at the direction of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Division. Exhibitor will then receive any passes that are issued, along with pertinent information.

5. Steers that are not show-worthy and or weigh less than **1,000** pounds will be sifted. If a steer is disqualified because of its weight and the exhibitor wishes to challenge the official weight, the Exhibitor (and or parent/guardian and/or County Extension Agent and/or Agricultural Science Teacher) must immediately notify the Show Chairman of the challenge before the steer is removed from the scale. The steer will be removed from the scale, the scale reset to zero, and the steer re-weighed a final time. The weight shown on the official scale after the challenge will be the final and official weight. Steers not meeting the minimum weight must be removed from the showgrounds immediately.

6. All steers must be clipped and have hair no longer than ¼ inch on any part of the steer's body upon arrival at the fairgrounds. The only exception will be the tail switch. The switch may be ratted and balled or may be bobbed off. Steers will be checked at the time of weigh-in for conformity to the ¼ inch or less of hair. Steers must be in a clean and natural state, no adhesives, oils, or any other foreign substances applied to the hair or body.

7. CLIPPING / TRIMMING on steers (electrical or manual) will NOT be allowed once steers are on the fairgrounds. All steers found in violation of this rule will be eliminated from competition and removed from the fairgrounds.
8. All Steers must be dehorned by the time they are weighed in at the fairgrounds.
9. The appointed Classifier(s), at the time of weigh-in, will determine classification. This determination will be based solely on the visible characteristics of the Steer. Registration or steer certificates are not needed. The judgment of the breed classifier(s) will be final and will not be subject to protest. The divisions will be:
   (1) American Influenced = Cattle showing some physical evidence of Brahman background. Steers must have at least 2 of the following American characteristics: Sheath score of at least 2, Bos indicus influenced head, eye, and ear, or Crest or evidence of hump.
   (2) English/English Cross = Cattle that appear to be purebred Angus, Hereford, Polled Hereford, Red Angus, Shorthorn, or other English breeds, or crosses of these breeds.
   (3) Exotic/Exotic Cross = Cattle that appear to be Charolais, Limousin, Maine-Anjou, Simmental, or other Continental breeds, or crosses of these breeds.
   The **2024 - 2028** Texas Show Steer breed classification guidelines will be used as a reference when classifying steers.
10. Each division will be divided into weight classes. The number of Classes in each Division will be at the Show Chairman's discretion.
11. All sale order steers will be jaw branded.
12. Each weight class within a division will be judged. Ribbons and premiums can be awarded through five places. The Division Champion will be selected from the first-place animals in each weight class.
13. The Reserve Division Champion will be selected from the remaining first-place animals and the second-place from the Division Champion class. If a division has only one weight class, then the Division Champion will be the first-place animal and the Reserve Division Champion will be the second-place animal. The overall Grand Champion will be chosen from the three Division Champions. The Overall Reserve Champion will be selected from the remaining two Division Champions and a Reserve Division Champion of the Grand Champions Division.
14. A maximum of 36 steers, separated by division, will be sold at the Auction. The percentage of steers from each division is based on division sizes. The Overall Grand Champion and Overall Reserve Champion Steers will be sold first and second, respectively. All market animals will be sold by the head. The remaining Division Champions will be sold next, in an order determined by the judge. The judge will then pick the remaining animals to be sold according to the guidelines listed below. The Judge will choose two (2) additional steers to be used as alternates in the event they are needed at the Auction.

    Examples: 75 total steers shown.
    53 Exotic Division steers is 71% of total steers shown (53 divided by 75). 36 max.
    Steers x 71% = 26 steers in the division go to Auction.
    13 English Division steers is 17% of total steers shown (13 divided by 75). 36 max.
    Steers x 17% = 6 steers in the division go to Auction.
    9 Brahman Division steers is 12% of the total steers shown (9 divided by 75). 36 max.
    Steers x 12% = 4 steers in the division go to Auction.

    When the percentage calculation is below .5, then the number will be rounded down. When the percentage is .5 or higher, then the number will be rounded up. If there is only one steer shown in any division, then that steer will go to the Auction.

15. Steers, except those Steers going to the Auction the 1st and 2nd alternates and those participating in the barn sale, may leave the Fairgrounds after the show, at the time designated on the Schedule of Events. *Releases are required for all Steers leaving the Fairgrounds.*

16. Steers remaining on the Fairgrounds after the night of their show must remain in the barn until the last Sunday of the Fair. Deadline to pick up Steers ends at 12:00 NOON on the last Sunday of the Fair. A release must be obtained from the appropriate Livestock Secretary before any Steer can be removed from the Fairgrounds at the conclusion of the Fair.

## II. MARKET STEER SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

1. This contest is open to all FFA and 4-H members showing market steers. No premiums are paid for the Showmanship Contest.

2. The Showmanship Contest will be immediately after the sale order has been completed. There will be two age groups:

**Sr. Exhibitors – 14 years and older as of the date of the show.**
**Jr. Exhibitors – 13 years and younger as of the date of the show.**

3. Any market steer exhibitor that has shown in the Market Steer Show may enter this Showmanship Contest, but they must show their own animal.

## III. JUNIOR MARKET STEER SHOW AWARDS

1. Ribbons first through fifth places (1 - 5) in each class.
2. Show Placing will pay as follows in all Classes: 1st - $40.00 / 2nd $30.00 / 3rd $20.00 4th $15.00 / 5th - $10.00.
3. Grand Champion Steer – Banner and Buckle
4. Reserve Champion Steer – Banner and Buckle
5. Division Champions – Rosettes
6. Reserve Division Champions – Rosettes
7. Senior Showmanship – Buckle
8. Junior Showmanship: Buckle

# JUNIOR MARKET POULTRY SHOW

**► For dates & times of all Shows, check-in times & their releases, see the Show Schedule of Events.**

**► Any premium monies due to exhibitors, not picked up by the determined deadline for each Show or Event, will be forfeited, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

## I. JUNIOR MARKET POULTRY SHOW RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read and be familiar with all the General Rules and Regulations. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

A. Only Broilers and Roasters purchased through the YMBL will be allowed to show.

B. All Broilers and Roasters must have a wing band, which will be attached by the hatchery, to show. Wing band numbers will be recorded upon poultry pick-up and verified at check-in at the Fairgrounds. Exhibitors need to know their band numbers at check-in.

C. The person picking up Broilers and Roasters is responsible for checking them for wing bands and/or condition at the time of pick-up. Replacement birds may be provided if birds are found to be improperly wing-banded. Broilers and Roasters will NOT be replaced for any other reason. The YMBL is NOT responsible for the condition of the Broilers and Roasters once they leave the pick-up location.

D. Broilers and Roasters losing their wing bands, for whatever reason, will not be allowed to enter the show. Broilers and Roasters with wing bands that show evidence of tampering will be sifted.

E. Broilers and Roasters in the Show must have been owned by the exhibitor from the time of entry until the Show date. Broilers and Roasters must be continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor under the supervision of an Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent. Either the CEA or AST from where they live must certify all exhibits.

F. The South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Division will organize the check-in/weigh-in. Exhibitor (and or parent/guardian and/or County Extension Agent and/or Agricultural Science Teacher) will drive in with poultry and unload. If the poultry passes inspection and the sift by the Show Judge, it can then be caged by the exhibitor at the direction of The South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Division. Exhibitors will then receive any passes that are issued, along with other pertinent information.

G. **Roasters:** Each entry shall consist of one (1) Roaster. One (1) additional pen with two (2) alternate birds may be brought to the Fairgrounds. Alternate birds are only to be used if one of the birds in the pen presented is sifted. Exhibitors with more than one entry need to present all entries at one time. Each exhibitor is limited to one (1) Roaster in the show and one (1) in the sale.

H. **Broilers:** Each entry shall consist of one (1) pen of three (3) Broilers. One (1) additional pen with two (2) alternate birds may be brought to the Fairgrounds. Alternate birds are only to be used if one of the birds in the pen presented is sifted. Exhibitors with more than one entry need to present all entries at one time. Each exhibitor is limited to one (1) pen of Broilers in the show and one (1) in the sale.

I. The Show Chairman has the right to reject all applications for space after the accommodations have been exhausted.

J. Judging in all classes will be done by comparison. The American Standard of Perfection, as adopted by the American Poultry Association, will be the guide for the judges.

K. The judge will select not more than one pen per species presented, and may choose none, for final judging.

L. The Judge will sift any birds they feel are undesirable or not show-worthy.

M. The Judge will use U.S. Standards for Live Market Poultry.

N. Any Exhibitor, Parent, Guardian, or Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent attempting to have a conversation with the Judge while they are judging will cause disqualification.

O. No person will be permitted to handle birds except by permission of the Show Chairman or Show Secretary. Any exhibitor tampering with or in any way injuring birds or the plumage of birds of any other exhibitor will be disqualified, and any premium or premiums he may have won will be withheld. This is in no way intended to prevent exhibitors from handling their own birds during the show, but is intended to prevent others from doing so.

P. No changing of birds from one coop to another will be allowed, not even by the owner, without the consent of the Show Chairman or Show Secretary. No person may handle birds, not even his own, while class is being judged, unless approved by the Show Chairman.

Q. Winners will be announced at the conclusion of judging. Champion and Reserve Champion pens will be selected from exhibits.

R. The judge will pick the top thirty (30) pens of Broilers and the top (15) pens of Roasters for sale at the Auction. The judge will also choose two (2) alternate pens of Broilers and two (2) alternate pens of Roasters. Alternates will only be used if they are needed at the Auction.

S. All poultry, except those selected as Grand and Reserve Champion, will be released at the conclusion of the show. Any birds, other than the Grand and Reserve Champions, remaining after 5:00 p.m. on the day of the show become the property of the South Texas State Fair.

T. Grand and Reserve Champion poultry must be removed by 12:00 p.m. on the last Saturday of the South Texas State Fair.

## II. JUNIOR MARKET POULTRY SHOW AWARDS

### JUNIOR MARKET BROILER

1. Ribbons first through fifth places (1 - 5)
2. Placing pays as follows: 1st - $40.00 / 2nd - $30.00 / 3rd - $20.00 / 4th - $15.00 / 5th - $10.00
3. Grand Champion Broiler – Banner and Buckle
4. Reserve Champion Broiler – Banner and Buckle
5. Sixth - Tenth Place Inclusive Ribbon

### JUNIOR MARKET ROASTERS

1. Ribbons first through fifth places (1 - 5)
2. Placing pays as follows: 1st - $40.00 / 2nd - $30.00 / 3rd - $20.00 / 4th - $15.00 / 5th - $10.00
3. Grand Champion Roaster – Banner and Buckle
4. Reserve Champion Roaster – Banner and Buckle
5. Sixth - Tenth Place Inclusive Ribbon

# OPEN BREEDING POULTRY SHOW
## LARGE FOWL AND BANTAM

**► For dates & times of all Shows, check-in times & their releases, see the Show Schedule of Events.**

**► Any premium monies due to exhibitors, not picked up by the determined deadline for each Show or Event, will be forfeited, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

► Late entries received past the entry deadline will be subject to an additional fee of $10.00 per entry.

**Due to new health regulations, we <u>WILL NOT</u> allow out-of-state birds.**

**I. <u>OPEN BREEDING POULTRY SHOW RULES</u>**

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read all the General Rules and Regulations and be familiar with them. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

A. Entries will close on the first Thursday in March in the current year. All N.P.I.P. must be included with the entry form. All band numbers included with entry. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection will be checked at Check-In.

B. The exhibitor must provide shavings for cages.

C. The Show Chairman will use every precaution in the management of the show, but will not be responsible for loss by fire, accident, or any act of God. The Show Chairman will have charge of all exhibits entered for competition. Then return each specimen to its owner at the close of the show. Only those breeds and varieties listed in the latest edition of the American Standard Perfection will be permitted to show.

D. The Secretary of the show will have full charge of arrangements of display for uniformity and convenience. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to see that each specimen is in the CORRECT CLASSIFICATION, otherwise placing will be lost.

E. The South Texas State Fair is a member of the American Bantam Association and a Lifetime member of the American Poultry Association.

F. Awards will be given at the conclusion of the judging.

G. Open poultry will be released at the conclusion of their show. Any birds remaining after 5:00 p.m. on the day of the show become the property of the South Texas State Fair.

## II. OPEN BREEDING POULTRY SHOW AWARDS

### LARGE FOWL

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Grand Champion | $100.00 | Reserve Asiatic Class | $ 15.00 |
| Reserve Champion | $ 50.00 | Champion English Class | $ 25.00 |
| Grand Champion Trio | $ 50.00 | Reserve English Class | $ 15.00 |
| Reserve Champion Trio | $ 35.00 | Champion Mediterranean Class | $ 25.00 |
| Champion Display | $ 50.00 | Reserve Mediterranean Class | $ 15.00 |
| Reserve Display | $ 35.00 | Champion All Other Classes | $ 25.00 |
| Champion American Class | $ 25.00 | Reserve All Other Classes | $ 15.00 |
| Reserve American Class | $ 15.00 | Champion Continental Class | $ 25.00 |
| Champion Asiatic Class | $ 25.00 | Reserve Champion Continental Class | $ 15.00 |

### BANTAMS

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Grand Champion | $100.00 | Reserve Modern Game Legged | $15.00 |
| Reserve Champion | $ 50.00 | Champion S.C. Clean Legged | $25.00 |
| Grand Champion Trio | $ 50.00 | Reserve S.C. Clean Legged | $15.00 |
| Reserve Champion Trio | $ 35.00 | Champion Old English | $25.00 |
| Champion Display | $ 50.00 | Reserve Old English | $15.00 |
| Reserve Display | $ 35.00 | Ch. Rose Comb Clean Legged Class | $25.00 |
| Champion Feather Legged | $ 25.00 | Res. Rose Comb Clean Legged Class | $15.00 |
| Reserve Feather Legged | $ 15.00 | Champion All Other Clean Legged | $25.00 |
| Champion Modern Game Legged | $ 25.00 | Reserve All Other Clean Legged | $15.00 |

### WATERFOWL

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Champion Heavy Duck | $15.00 | Reserve Heavy Duck | $10.00 |
| Champion Medium Duck | $15.00 | Reserve Medium Duck | $10.00 |
| Champion Light Duck | $15.00 | Reserve Light Duck | $10.00 |
| Champion Bantam Duck | $15.00 | Reserve Bantam Duck | $10.00 |
| Champion Goose | $15.00 | Reserve Goose | $10.00 |
| Grand Champion Waterfowl | $30.00 | Reserve Champion Waterfowl | $20.00 |

## II. OPEN BREEDING POULTRY SHOW JUNIOR AWARDS

1. Trophies will be given in each Show to Grand & Reserve.
2. All Junior single and trio placings will receive an appropriate ribbon.
3. Each Junior Exhibitor must compete in Regular Show, but must give birth date on entry to be eligible for Junior Awards, and MUST be 18 years or younger.

**Large Fowl** **Bantams**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Grand Champion | $30.00 | Grand Champion | $30.00 |
| Reserve Champion | $20.00 | Reserve Champion | $20.00 |

# LARGE FOWL DIVISION
## BREED

### AMERICAN CLASS

Within each breed and variety, classes will be aligned as follows: Cocks, Hens, Cockerels, Pullets, Young Trios and Old Trios.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Plymouth Rock | 6. Rhode Island White | 11. New Hampshire |
| 2. Dominique | 7. Buckeye | 12. Holland |
| 3. Wyandotte | 8. Chanticleer | 13. Delaware |
| 4. Java | 9. Jersey Giant | |
| 5. Rhode Island Red | 10. Lamona | |

### ASIATIC CLASS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 14. Brahma | 15. Cochin | 16. Langshan |

### ENGLISH CLASS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 17. Dorking | 19. Cornish | 21. Sussex |
| 18. Red Cap | 20. Orpington | 22. Australorp |

### MEDITERRANEAN CLASS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 23. Leghorn | 26. Blue Andalusian | 29. Catalana |
| 24. Minorca | 27. Ancona | |
| 25. Spanish | 28. Buttercup | |

### CONTINENTAL CLASS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 30. Hamburg | 33. Polish Bd. & Non-Bd. | 36. Crevecoeurs |
| 31. Campines | 34. Houdans | 37. La Fleche |
| 32. Lakenvelders | 35. Faverolles | |

### ALL OTHER CLASS

| |
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| 38. Modern Games |
| 39. Old English Games |
| 40. Orientals - Sumatras, Malays, Cubalayas, Phoenix, Yokohamas, Aseels, Shamos |
| 41. Miscellaneous - Sultans, Frizzles, Naked Neck, Araucanas |

### NON-STANDARD CLASS (Ribbons Through Six Places)

Non-Standard - Judged separately - Junior Exhibitors only.

# BANTAM DIVISION

Within each breed and variety, classes will be aligned as follows: Cocks, Hens, Cockerels, Pullets, Young Trios and Old Trios.

## BREED

### MODERN GAME BANTAMS CLASS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Birchen | 5. Blue Breasted Red | 9. Red Pyle |
| 2. Black | 6. Brown Red | 10. Silver Duckwing |
| 3. Black Breasted Red | 7. Golden Duckwing | 11. White |
| 4. Blue | 8. Lemon Blue | 12. Wheaten |

### OLD ENGLISH GAME BANTAMS CLASS

**All of the Above plus**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 13. Blue Golden Duckwing | 16. Cuckoo | 19. Spangled |
| 14. Blue Silver Duckwing | 17. Ginger Red | |
| 15. Crele | 18. Self Blue | |

### SINGLE COMB CLEAN LEGGED OTHER THAN GAME BANTAMS CLASS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 20. Anconas | 28. Hollands | 36. Naked Necks |
| 21. Andalusians | 29. Japanese | 37. New Hampshires |
| 22. Australorps | 30. Javas | 38. Orpingtons |
| 23. Campines | 31. Jersey Giants | 39. Phoenix |
| 24. Catalanas | 32. Lakenvelders | 40. Plymouth Rocks |
| 25. Delawares | 33. Lamonas | 41. Rhode Island Reds |
| 26. Dorkings | 34. Leghorns | 42. Spanish |
| 27. Frizzles | 35. Minorcas | 43. Sussex |

### ROSE COMB CLEAN LEGGED BANTAMS CLASS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 44. Anconas | 49. Leghorns | 54. Rosecombs |
| 45. Antwerp Belgians | 50. Minorcas | 55. Sebrights |
| 46. Dominiques | 51. Redcaps | 56. Wyandottes |
| 47. Dorkings | 52. Rhode Island Reds | |
| 48. Hamburgs | 53. Rhode Island Whites | |

### ALL OTHER COMBS CLEAN LEGGED BANTAMS CLASS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 57. Araucanas | 62. Cubulayas | 67. Shamos |
| 58. Buckeyes | 63. Houdans | 68. Sicilian Buttercups |
| 59. Chanteclers | 64. La Fleche | 69. Sumatras |
| 60. Cornish | 65. Malays | 70. Yokohamas |
| 61. Crevecoeurs | 66. Polish | |

### FEATHERED LEGGED CLASS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 71. Booted | 74. Faverolles | 77. Silkies |
| 72. Brahmas | 75. Frizzles | 78. Sultans |
| 73. Cochins | 76. Langshans | |

### NON-STANDARD CLASS

79. Non-Standard Class - Judged Separately - Junior Exhibitors Only.

## WATERFOWL
## DUCKS

**Heavy**

| | |
|---|---|
| 80. Aylesbury | 84. Buff |
| 81. Muscovy | 85. Cayuga |
| 82. Pekin | 86. Crested |
| 83. Rouen | 87. Swedish |

**Light** **Bantam**

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| 88. Campbell | 91. Call |
| 89. Magpie | 92. East India |
| 90. Runner | 93. Mallard |

## GEESE

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|---|---|
| Champion Goose | Reserve Goose |

# JR. MARKET RABBIT MEAT PEN SHOW

**► For dates & times of all Shows, check-in times & their releases, see the Show Schedule of Events.**

**► Any premium monies due to exhibitors, not picked up by the determined deadline for each Show or Event, will be forfeited, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

## I. JR. MARKET RABBIT MEAT PEN SHOW RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read all the General Rules and Regulations and be familiar with them. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

A. This Show follows the latest revised rules of the **American Rabbit Breeders Association**. Judging will be based on the **ARBA** Standard of Perfection.

B. Each Exhibitor may enter only one meat pen. Meat pens shall consist of 3 rabbits; either sex, all of the same breed and variety, and recognized by the ARBA. Meat pens do not necessarily have to come from the same litter. Maximum age of ten (10) weeks, seventy (70) days. Minimum weight of **three and a half (3-1/2)** pounds each. Maximum weight of **five and a half (5-1/2)** pounds each at the time of the show.

C. Rabbits in the Show must have been owned by the exhibitor from the time of entry until the Show date. Rabbits must be continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor under the supervision of an Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent. Either the County Agent or Agricultural Science Teacher from where they live must certify all exhibits.

D. The South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Division will organize the check-in/weigh-in. Both the check-in and weigh-in will be held at the same time. The exhibitor must deliver rabbits. All rabbits must be prepared to be checked by the show Veterinarian. Exhibitors will only be allowed one weigh-in for meat pens. If one rabbit is underweight or overweight or the tattoos do not match, the pen will be sifted at that time. Meat Pen Rabbits will be weighed in the presence of the Show Judge. If the rabbit meets the weight requirements and passes possible inspection by the show Veterinarian, it can then be caged by the exhibitor at the direction of the South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Division. Exhibitor will then receive any passes that are issued, along with pertinent information.

E. Meat Pen Rabbits must have three (3) numbers or letters, permanently tattooed in the left ear, and the tattoo must match the entry form, or the pen will be sifted.

F. All judging will be done in a roped-off area. NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED INSIDE THE JUDGING AREA EXCEPT SHOW OFFICIALS AND THEIR HELPERS. ALL RABBITS MUST BE BROUGHT TO THE TABLE BY THE EXHIBITOR. VIOLATIONS OF THIS RULE WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION.

G. Winners will be announced at the conclusion of judging. Grand Champion and Reserve Champion pens will be selected from exhibits.

H. The judge will pick the top fifteen (15) Rabbit Meat Pens and two (2) additional Rabbit Meat Pens to be used as alternates in the event they are needed at the Auction.

I. All rabbits, except those selected as Grand and Reserve Champion, will be released at the conclusion of the show. Any rabbits, other than the Grand and Reserve, remaining after 5:00 p.m. on the day of the show become the property of the South Texas State Fair.

J. Grand and Reserve Champion Rabbits must be removed by 12:00 p.m. on the last Saturday of the South Texas State Fair.

## II. JUNIOR MARKET RABBIT MEAT PEN SHOW AWARDS

1. Ribbons first through fifth places (1 - 5)
2. Placing will pay as follows: 1st - $25.00 / 2nd - $15.00 / 3rd - $10.00 / 4th - $5.00 / 5th - $3.00
3. Grand Champion Rabbit Meat Pen – Banner and Buckle
4. Reserve Champion Rabbit Meat Pen – Banner and Buckle
5. Sixth - Fifteenth Place Inclusive Ribbon
6. Sr. Showmanship combined with Open Breeding Rabbit Show (ages 14 and up) – Buckle
7. Jr. Showmanship combined with Open Breeding Rabbit Show (ages Under 14) – Buckle

# OPEN JUNIOR BREEDING RABBIT SHOW
### THIS IS A YOUTH ONLY SHOW

**► For dates & times of all Shows, check-in times & their releases, see the Show Schedule of Events.**

**► Any premium monies due to exhibitors, not picked up by the determined deadline for each Show or Event, will be forfeited, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

► Late entries received past the entry deadline will be subject to an additional fee of $10.00 per entry. *For applicable late entry information and fees, see Section 5 K in this rule book.*

## I. OPEN JR. BREEDING RABBIT SHOW RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read all the General Rules and Regulations and be familiar with them. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

A. This Show follows the latest revised rules of the **American Rabbit Breeders Association**. Judging will be based on the **ARBA** Standard of Perfection.

B. CLASS described as: **4 class** – breeds maturing under nine **(9)** pounds divided into two (2) classes for each sex; Junior & Senior. **6 class** – breeds maturing **over nine (9)** pounds will be divided into three (3) classes for each sex; Junior, Intermediates (6 – 8) and Seniors. (No pre-junior classes will be provided.)

C. The South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Division will organize the check-in. All rabbits must be prepared to be checked by the show Veterinarian. If the Rabbit passes possible inspection by the show Veterinarian, it can then be caged by the exhibitor at the direction of the South Texas State Fair Livestock & Poultry Division. Exhibitor will then receive any passes that are issued, along with pertinent information.

D. The same rabbit may NOT be shown in both the Meat Pen and Open Jr. Breeding Rabbit Shows.

E. Substitution of Rabbits is allowed. Substitutions can only be in the same Class, Variety, and Sex as the original entry. Substitutions must be made to the Show Secretary when the rabbits are checked in on the day of the show. **There will be a $10.00 fee (CASH ONLY) for EACH substitution.** Substitutions at the Judges' table will NOT be allowed.

F. All Rabbits must be clearly and permanently tattooed in the left ear.

G. All judging will be done in a roped-off area. NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED INSIDE THE JUDGING AREA EXCEPT SHOW OFFICIALS AND THEIR HELPERS. ALL RABBITS MUST BE BROUGHT TO THE TABLE BY THE EXHIBITOR. VIOLATIONS OF THIS RULE WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION.

H. Each exhibitor must place their rabbit on the show table to be judged. Judging will cease when all rabbits are judged.

I. Winners will be announced at the conclusion of judging. Trophies are awarded after each Breed is finished.

J. Open Breeding Rabbits will be released at the conclusion of their show. Any rabbits remaining after 5:00 p.m. on the day of the show become the property of the South Texas State Fair.

## I. OPEN JR. BREEDING RABBIT SHOW AWARDS

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| BEST IN SHOW: Trophy and $15.00 | 3RD Reserve in Show: Trophy and $5.00 |
| 1ST Reserve in Show: Trophy and $10.00 | *Best of Breed: Trophy and $7.00 |
| 2ND Reserve in Show: Trophy and $8.00 | *Best Opposite Sex: Trophy and $5.00 |

# OPEN LIVESTOCK SHOW
# BRAHMAN DIVISION

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► Late entries received past the entry deadline will be subject to an additional fee of $20.00 per head per show.

**I. OPEN LIVESTOCK SHOW – BRAHMAN DIVISION RULES**

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read all the General Rules and Regulations and be familiar with them. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

**II. AMERICAN BRAHMAN BREEDERS ASSOCIATION SPECIAL RULES**

1. Animals must be registered in the American Brahman Breeders Association to be eligible to compete in association-sponsored shows. The registration certificate for each entry must be available for presentation to the superintendent or manager of the show at the time entries are verified before judging.

**Press Control (Ctrl) then Right Click link below for the most up to date ABBA Rules**

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# AMERICAN BRAHMAN BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION
**OFFICIAL SHOW CLASSES**
**SPRING SEASON**

# SPLIT SHOW – RED & GREY

| FEMALES | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 201 Late Summer Heifer Calves – calved July 1, 2025, and after (provided no calf may be shown before reaching 150 days old on the date of the show) | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 202 Sumer Heifer Calves - calved June 1 – 30, **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 203 Early Summer Heifer Calves – calved May 1 – 31, **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 204 Calf Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 205 Reserve Calf Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 206 Late Spring Heifer Calves – calved April 1 – 30, **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 207 Spring Heifer Calves – calved March 1 – 31, **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 208 Late Winter Heifer Calves – calved February 1 – 28, **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 209 Winter Heifer Calves – calved January 1 – 31, **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 210 Junior Yearling Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 211 Reserve Junior Yearling Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 212 Early Winter Heifer Calves – calved December 1 – 31, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 213 Late Fall Heifer Calves – calved November 1 – 30, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 214 Fall Heifer Calves – calved October 1 -31, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |

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| 215 Early Fall Heifer Calves – calved September 1 – 30, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 216 Senior Yearling Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 217 Reserve Senior Yearling Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 218 Late Summer Heifers – calved July 1 – August 31, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 219 Summer Heifers – calved June 1 – 30, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 220 Early Summer Heifers – calved May 1 – 31, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 221 Intermediate Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 222 Reserve Intermediate Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 223 Late Spring Heifers – calved April 1 – 30, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 224 Spring Heifers – calved March 1 -31, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 225 Late Winter Heifers – calved February 1 – 28, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 226 Early Winter Heifers – calved January 1 – 31, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 227 Junior Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 228 Reserve Junior Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 229 Late Senior Heifers – calved November 1 – December 31, **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 230 Senior Heifers – calved September 1 – October 31, **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 231 Early Senior Heifers – calved July 1 – August 31, **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 232 Senior Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 233 Reserve Senior Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 234 Late Aged Senior Cows – calved May 1 – June 30, **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 235 Aged Senior Cows – calved March 1 – April 30, **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 236 Early Aged Senior Cows – calved January 1 – February 28, **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 237 Aged Senior Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 238 Reserve Aged Senior Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 239 Grand Champion | Banner | | | |
| 240 Reserve Grand Champion | Pennant | | | |

| **BULLS** | **1st** | **2nd** | **3rd** | **4th** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 241 Late Summer Bull Calves – calved July 1, **2025**, and after (provided no calf may be shown before reaching 150 days old on the date of the show) | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 242 Summer Bull Calves – calved June 1 – 30, **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 243 Early Summer Bull Calves – calved May 1 – 31, **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 244 Calf Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 245 Reserve Calf Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 246 Late Spring Bull Calves – calved April 1 – 30, **2025** | $30 | $30 | $15 | $10 |
| 247 Spring Bull Calves – calved March 1 – 31, **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 248 Late Winter Bull Calves – calved February 1 – 28, **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 249 Winter Bull Calves – calved January 1 – 31, **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 250 Junior Yearling Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 251 Reserve Junior Yearling Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 252 Early Winter Bull Calves – calved December 1 – 31, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 253 Late Fall Bull Calves – calved November 1 – 30, **2024** | | | | |
| 254 Fall Bull Calves – calved October 1- 31, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 255 Early Fall Bull Calves – calved September 1 – 30, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 256 Senior Yearling Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 257 Reserve Senior Yearling Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 258 Late Summer Bulls – calved July 1 – August 31, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 259 Summer Bulls – calved June 1 – 30, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 260 Early Summer Bulls – calved May 1 – 31, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 261 Intermediate Champion | Rosette | | | |

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| 262 Reserve Intermediate Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 263 Late Spring Bulls – calved April 1 – 30, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 264 Spring Bulls – calved March 1 - 31, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 265 Late Winter Bulls – calved February 1 – 28, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 266 Early Winter Bulls – calved January 1 – 31, **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 267 Junior Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 268 Reserve Junior Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 269 Late Senior Bulls – calved November 1 – December 31, **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 270 Senior Bulls – calved September 1 – October 31, **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 271 Early Senior Bulls – calved July 1 – August 31, **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 272 Senior Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 273 Reserve Senior Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 274 Late Aged Senior Bulls – calved May 1 – June 31, **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 275 Aged Senior Bulls – calved March 1 – April 30, **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 276 Early Aged Senior Bulls – calved Jan 1 – February 28, **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 277 Aged Senior Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 278 Reserve Aged Senior Champion | Rosette | | | |
| 279 Grand Champion | Banner | | | |
| 280 Reserve Grand Champion | Pennant | | | |
| 253 Produce-of-Dam: 2 natural born animals both produced by the same Dam, from the above classes, either or both sexes may be represented. No ownership requirement. | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 254 Embryo-Produce-of-Dam: 2 animals, both produced from the same Dam via embryo transfer from the above classes, either or both sexes may be represented. No ownership requirement. | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 255 Get-of Sire: 4 animals all by the same Sire from at least 2 different Dams, from the above individual classes both sexes must be represented. No ownership requirement | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 256 Breeder's Genetic Group: 3 genetically similar animals all by the same sire and same dam, either or both sexes may be represented. No ownership requirement | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 257 Breeder's Herd: 4 animals, both sexes must be represented, all individual animals comprising this group must have the same (breeder's) holding brand. | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |

**All Group Classes will be shown at the front of the show before any individual classes.**

# OPEN JUNIOR BRAHMAN HEIFER SHOW

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## I. JR. OPEN BRAHMAN HEIFER SHOW RULES

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## II. AMERICAN BRAHMAN BREEDERS ASSOCIATION SPECIAL RULES

1. Only heifers with ABBA registration papers are eligible to show in the Junior Open Heifer Show. The registration certificate for each entry must be available for presentation to the Show Chairman.
2. The registration number and animal identification number (number branded on animal) must be listed on the entry of each animal entered.

| SHOW CLASSES–FEMALES | | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 301 | Late Spring Heifer Calves - calved March 31, **2025** and after | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 302 | Early Spring Heifer Calves - calved March **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 303 | Late Winter Heifer Calves - calved February **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 304 | Early Winter Heifer Calves - calved January **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 305 | Late Fall Junior Heifers - calved November - December **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 306 | Early Fall Junior Heifers - calved September – October **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 307 | Late Summer Junior Heifers - calved July – August **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 308 | Early Summer Junior Heifers – calved May – June **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 309 | Spring Senior Heifers - calved March – April **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 310 | Winter Senior Heifers - calved January – February **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 311 | Fall Senior Heifers - calved September - December **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 312 | Grand Champion Brahman Heifer | $20 and Rosette | | | |
| 313 | Reserve Grand Champion Brahman Heifer | $10 and Rosette | | | |

# OPEN TEXAS LONGHORN
# WORLD QUALIFYING SHOW

**► For dates & times of all Shows, check-in times & their releases, see the Show Schedule of Events.**

**► Any premium monies due to exhibitors, not picked up by the determined deadline for each Show or Event, will be forfeited, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

► Late entries received past the entry deadline will be subject to an additional fee of $25.00 per head per show.

## I. OPEN TEXAS LONGHORN WORLD QUALIFYING SHOW RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read all the General Rules and Regulations and be familiar with them. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

## II. TEXAS LONGHORN BREEDERS ASSOCIATION SPECIAL RULES

**(For a complete list of special rules, refer to the TLBAA Rules and Regulations Handbook)**

1. All animals must be exhibited on a halter.

2. All entries must be registered with the Texas Longhorn Breeders Association of America (TLBAA). A copy of the registration must accompany all entry forms for verification. No pending registration will be accepted.

3. Cattle may be subjected to mouthing by a certified veterinarian for verification of age.

4. A current health certificate issued by a licensed veterinarian must accompany all cattle. This health certificate should state that the cattle have met all of the current brucellosis and TB requirements for movement from their origin to the Show. Additionally, cattle may be required to have noted upon the health certificate that they have been treated for scabies, lice, etc. Many states also require that all female cattle be Official Calfhood Vaccinated for entry. We strongly suggest that all females be vaccinated at the appropriate age.

5. All bulls are required to be shown with a chain lead shank and a nose lead.

6. When questions arise concerning items not covered by these rules, the Show Committee for the respective show will decide the point in question, and its decision will be binding.

**ALL ANIMALS MUST BE SHOWN ON A HALTER.**

***Cattle must be at least 120 days old on the day of the show.**

# Approved Classes For
# World Show and Qualifying Shows

## HALTERED DIVISION

| | | PREMIUMS 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **JUNIOR FEMALE CLASSES** | | | | |
| 101 | Females born – September – December **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 102 | Females born – July – August **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 103 | Females born – May – June **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 104 | Females born – March – April **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 105 | Females born – January – February **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 106 | JUNIOR CHAMPION HALTERED FEMALE (Class winners from Classes 101-105) | Rosette | | | |
| 107 | RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION HALTERED FEMALE (Remaining first place winners and second place winner from Junior Champion Class) | Rosette | | | |
| | **SENIOR FEMALE CLASSES** | **1st** | **2nd** | **3rd** | **4th** |
| 108 | Females born – September – December **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 109 | Females born - May – August **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 110 | Females born – January – April **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 111 | Females born **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 112 | SENIOR CHAMPION HALTERED FEMALE (Class winners from Classes 108 – 111) | Rosette | | | |
| 113 | RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION HALTERED FEMALE (Remaining first place winners and second place winner from Senior Champion Class) | Rosette | | | |
| 114 | WORLD SHOW GRAND CHAMPION HALTERED FEMALE (From Junior Champion and Senior Champion) | $20 and Rosette | | | |
| 115 | WORLD SHOW RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION HALTERED FEMALE (Remaining Champion and the Reserve Champion to the Grand Champion) | $10 and Rosette | | | |

| | **HALTERED MATURE FEMALE CLASSES** | **1st** | **2nd** | **3rd** | **4th** |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 116 | Females born **2019 – 2022** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 117 | Females born **2018** and before | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 118 | GRAND CHAMPION HALTERED MATURE FEMALE (Class winners from classes 116 - 117) | $20 and Rosette | | | |
| 119 | RESERVE CHAMPION HALTERED FEMALE (Remaining first place winners and second place winner from Junior Champion Class) | $10 and Rosette | | | |

**BULLS** (Shown at halter with nose lead)

| | JUNIOR BULL CLASSES | PREMIUMS 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 120 | Bulls born – September – December **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 121 | Bulls born – July – August **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 122 | Bulls born May – June **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 123 | Bulls born March – April **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 124 | Bulls born January – February **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 125 | JUNIOR CHAMPION BULL (Class winners from Classes 120 - 124) | Rosette | | | |
| 126 | RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION BULL (Remaining first place winners and second place winner from Junior Champion Class) | Rosette | | | |
| | **SENIOR BULL CLASSES** | | | | |
| 127 | Bulls born – September – December **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 128 | Bulls born – May – August **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 129 | Bulls born January – April **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 130 | SENIOR CHAMPION BULL (Class winners from Classes 127 - 129) | Rosette | | | |
| 131 | RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION BULL (Remaining first place winners and second place winner from Senior Champion Class) | Rosette | | | |
| 132 | GRAND CHAMPION BULL (From Junior Champion and Senior Champion) | $20 and Rosette | | | |
| 133 | RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL (Remaining Champion and the Reserve Champion to the Grand Champion) | $10 and Rosette | | | |

| | GROUP CLASSES | PREMIUMS 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 134 | Produce of Dam: Two animals, natural birth, any sex, and can have different owners | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 135 | Get-of-Sire: Three animals, natural birth, both sex, 2 or more different dams, and can have different owners | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |

The Produce of Dam and Get of Sire classes will be shown at halter from age groups of females: Class 111 and under; bulls: from the established classes.

# TROPHY STEER DIVISION
# AT WORLD SHOW

| | | PREMIUMS 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **STEER CLASSES** | | | | |
| 136 | Junior Steers born **2023 – 2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 137 | Junior Steers born **2021 – 2022** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 138 | GRAND CHAMPION JUNIOR STEER | Rosette | | | |
| 139 | RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR STEER | Rosette | | | |
| 140 | Senior Steers born **2017 – 2020** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 141 | Senior Steers born **2016** and before | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 142 | SENIOR CHAMPION STEER | Rosette | | | |
| 143 | RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION STEER | Rosette | | | |
| 144 | GRAND CHAMPION STEER (from Junior Champion Steer and Senior Champion Steer) | $20 and Rosette | | | |
| 145 | RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STEER (from Junior Champion Steer and Senior Champion Steer) | $10 and Rosette | | | |

World Qualifying Show sponsored by Ark/La/Tex affiliate of the Texas Longhorn Breeders Association.

*Any Trophy Steers in classes 136 or 137 qualifying for the World Show solely on points received at the South Texas State Fair Show will have to show as non-haltered at the World Show.

# TEXAS LONGHORN BREEDERS OF TOMMORROW
# YOUTH TEXAS LONGHORN SHOW

**► For dates & times of all Shows, check-in times & their releases, see the Show Schedule of Events.**

**► Any premium monies due to exhibitors, not picked up by the determined deadline for each Show or Event, will be forfeited, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

► Late entries received past the entry deadline will be subject to an additional fee of $25.00 per head per show.

## I. TEXAS LONGHORN BREEDERS OF TOMORROW LONGHORN SHOW RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read and be familiar with all the General Rules and Regulations. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

1. All rules in the TLBA & TLBT Official Handbook apply.
2. Any member in good standing of the TLBT may show in TLBT shows through High School Graduation or Graduating Senior not exceeding 18 years of age on the National Show date.
3. Longhorn calves must be registered with the Texas Longhorn Breeders Association of America. However, they are not required to be registered in the name of the youth. A copy of the registration must accompany all entries for age verification and registration – no pending registrations will be accepted.
4. Cattle may be subjected to mouthing by a certified veterinarian for verification of age.
5. Texas Longhorn Breeders of Tomorrow shows are considered open shows. Cattle may be owned by youth, ranch, or other breeders of Texas Longhorn cattle.
6. NOSE LEADS with a strap (not tongs) will be used on bulls 12 months and over.
7. A dress code will be enforced at these shows. The dress code will be: Western attire, long-sleeve shirt with collar and cuffs. Western boots and western jeans are to be worn while in the ring. Western hats (not caps) may be worn. Violators of this rule will be disqualified at the discretion of the Show Committee.
8. In Showmanship Class, you must exhibit an animal that was shown in competition in the same TLBT Show.

## II. SHOW CLASSES

| | FEMALES | PREMIUMS 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 601 | Born September – December **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 602 | Born July – August **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 603 | Born May – June **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 604 | Born March – April **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 605 | Born January – February **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 606 | JUNIOR CHAMPION FEMALE | $30 & Rosette | | | |
| 607 | RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION FEMALE | $20 & Rosette | | | |
| 608 | Born September – December **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 609 | Born May – August **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 610 | Born January – April **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 611 | Born **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 612 | SENIOR CHAMPION FEMALE | $30 & Rosette | | | |
| 613 | RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION FEMALE | $20 & Rosette | | | |
| 614 | GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE | Buckle & Rosette | | | |
| 615 | RESERVE CHAMPION FEMALE | Buckle & Rosette | | | |

| BULLS | | PREMIUMS 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 616 | Born September – December **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 617 | Born July – August **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 618 | Born May – June **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 619 | Born March – April **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 620 | Born January – February **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 621 | Born September – December **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 622 | GRAND CHAMPION BULL | $30 & Rosette | | | |
| 623 | RESERVE CHAMPION BULL | $20 & Rosette | | | |

| STEERS | | PREMIUMS 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 624 | Born October – December **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 625 | Born July – September **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 626 | Born April – June **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 627 | Born January – March **2025** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 628 | JUNIOR CHAMPION STEER | $30 & Rosette | | | |
| 629 | RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION STEER | $20 & Rosette | | | |
| 630 | Born September – December **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 631 | Born May – August **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 632 | Born January – April **2024** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 633 | Born January – December **2023** | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 634 | SENIOR CHAMPION STEER | $30 & Rosette | | | |
| 635 | SENIOR RESERVE CHAMPION STEER | $20 & Rosette | | | |
| 636 | GRAND CHAMPION STEER | $30 & Rosette | | | |
| 637 | RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STEER | $20 & Rosette | | | |

| MINIATURE STEERS | | PREMIUMS 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 638 | Born January – December 2025 | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 639 | Born January – December 2024 | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 640 | Born January – December 2023 | $30 | $20 | $15 | $10 |
| 641 | GRAND CHAMPION MINI STEER | $30 & Rosette | | | |
| 642 | RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MINI STEER | $20 & Rosette | | | |

| SHOWMANSHIP | | PREMIUMS 1st | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 643 | PEE WEE – 6 years old & under as of 1-1-**2026** | $30 | | | |
| 644 | JUNIOR – 7 to 9 years old as of 1-1-**2026** | $30 | | | |
| 645 | INTERMEDIATE – 10 to 12 years old as of 1-1-**2026** | $30 | | | |
| 646 | TEEN – 13 to 15 years old as of 1-1-**2026** | $30 | | | |
| 647 | SENIOR – 16 to 18 years old as of 1-1-**2026** | $30 | | | |

# AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS PROJECT SHOW

**► For dates & times of all Shows, check-in times & their releases, see the Show Schedule of Events.**

**► Any premium monies due to exhibitors, not picked up by the determined deadline for each Show or Event, will be forfeited, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

## I. AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS PROJECT SHOW RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read all the General Rules and Regulations and be familiar with them. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

1. Projects exhibited must have been constructed by FFA students or 4-Hers either as a part of their agricultural mechanics instruction in vocational agriculture or as part of a supervised work experience program or project.
2. A project may be exhibited only once at the South Texas State Fair and must have been constructed within one calendar year of the judging date.
3. All projects must be painted or properly treated and must be clean and in presentable condition, even though they may have been used.
4. A working plan or drawing, photographs showing construction, and a bill of materials are required with each project.
5. Projects may have been individually or group constructed and may be individually, chapter, or club owned. All entries must be made in the name of the chapter, club, or individual who is a bona fide member of a chapter or club. All premiums will be paid to the chapter, club or individual.
6. The Show Chairman will disqualify any project that does not fit into one of the stated classes.
7. All projects are to be identified with standard chapter or club exhibitor's cards, and any additional signs, banners, etc. must be approved by the Show Chairman.
8. Every precaution will be taken to protect the projects entered; however, neither the South Texas State Fair nor the officials will be responsible for any losses or damage to projects.
9. The South Texas State Fair reserves the right to display projects as space and quality of projects allow. Projects may be located at various locations within the Fairground area due to space availability.
10. The Danish System will be used in judging the projects. Projects will be judged on:
    1) Workmanship 30
    2) Design and Materials Used 20
    3) Practicality 20
    4) Degree of Difficulty 10
    5) Finish 10
    6) Plans, Bill of Materials, and Photos 10
11. The South Texas State Fair reserves the right to limit entries due to space availability.
12. It is **required** that exhibitors be with their projects as they are judged to answer questions and demonstrate operations as requested by the judges. AST/CEA's or adult leaders are not to participate in judging activities.

## II. DIVISIONS

### A. AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT CLASSES:

1. Hay handling equipment
2. Spraying equipment
3. Mounted pull-type tractor equipment
4. Hydraulic equipment
5. Shop equipment
6. Truck, tractor, and agriculture equipment accessories

### B. ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT CLASSES:

1. Show and livestock equipment
2. Shop tools and equipment

### C. LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT CLASSES:

1. Gates and livestock panels
2. Squeeze chutes and restraining equipment
3. Trim chutes, blocking stands, and livestock crates
4. Headgates
5. Feeders
6. Self-feeders and creep feeders

### D. TRAILER CLASSES:

1. Small utility trailers up to 11 feet
2. Small stock trailers up to 16 feet
3. Utility trailers from 12 feet to 20 feet
4. Stock trailers
5. Multi-bale trailers
6. Gooseneck utility and implement trailers
7. Gooseneck stock trailers
8. Implement trailers

### E. RECONDITIONED/REFURBISHED CLASSES:

1. Small Engines/Lawn Mowers
2. Tractors
3. Ag Equipment

### F. RECREATIONAL/OUTDOOR CLASSES:

1. Barbecue Pits – Entries are limited to one per school, up to 11 feet.
2. Picnic Tables – Entries are limited to one per school
3. Furniture/Wood Projects up to 11 feet
4. Hunting Items – Entries are limited to one per school.
5. Other

## III. SHOWMANSHIP

Judges will select exhibitors (by entry number) to receive recognition for Showmanship based on the following criteria:

a. Appropriate display and presentation of projects
b. Housekeeping around projects
c. Appropriate dress
d. Conduct, attitude, and participation of exhibitors

## IV. AWARDS

Ribbons will be presented to the 1st and 2nd place projects in each division.

| | |
|---|---|
| Division Champion will receive a Rosette and | $50.00 |
| Reserve Division will receive a Rosette and | $25.00 |
| Grand Champion Project will receive a Banner and | $200.00 |
| Reserve Grand Champion Project will receive a Banner and | $150.00 |

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|---|
| Individual project Showmanship winner will receive a Banner. |
| Group project Showmanship winner will receive a Banner. |

In the event of a tie the project records will be used to break the tie.

# LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

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## I. 4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read all the General Rules and Regulations and be familiar with them. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

1. All qualified 4-H and FFA Teams are eligible to enter.
2. Team entries will be accepted until 8:00 a.m. on the day of judging. There is no entry fee for the livestock judging contest.
3. Each FFA Chapter or 4-H Club will be permitted to enter three junior teams, 8th grade and below, and 3 senior teams, 9th through 12th grades.
4. Clubs must designate their team members at the time of registration on the morning of the contest. Teams will consist of four members. A low person on each team will be an alternate, but three members may make up a team without an alternate.
5. The official placing is set by an accredited Judging Team chosen by the YMBL.
6. Receiving awards and prize money does not violate University Interscholastic League rules.
7. Each class will consist of four (4) animals.

1. The following are possible classes to be judged:
   (a) 2 classes of Market Steers
   (b) 2 classes of Breeding Beef Animals
   (c) 1 class of Market Lambs
   (d) 1 class of Market Goats
   (e) 2 classes of Market Barrows
2. Each contestant will be allowed ten (10) minutes for judging each class. Standard Judging Cards will be used.
3. Contest will be held in the Show Arenas.
4. A placing judge will determine cuts for scoring of the class.
5. Placing will be 1, 2, 3, and 4, numbering left to right.
6. The tallying of scores will be done after the judging has been completed.
7. The awards ceremony will be held in the cattle arena following the completion of judging results.

## II. AWARDS

**Banners, pennants, rosettes, premiums and ribbons are furnished by the South Texas State Fair.**

1. The following prizes will be awarded to School FFA Chapter or 4-H Club Team:

## Team Awards

### Senior Division:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1st Place | $125.00 | Team Trophy |
| 2nd Place | $100.00 | Banner |
| 3rd Place | $75.00 | Banner |
| 4th Place | $50.00 | Banner |

### Junior Division:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1st Place | $125.00 | Team Trophy |
| 2nd Place | $100.00 | Banner |
| 3rd Place | $75.00 | Banner |
| 4th Place | $50.00 | Banner |

### Individual Awards

Ribbons will be awarded for Senior 1-15 high individuals.
Ribbons will be awarded for Junior 1-15 high individuals.

Buckle for High Point Individual Senior will be awarded
Buckle for High Point Individual Junior will be awarded

# RECORD KEEPING CONTEST

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## I. RECORD KEEPING CONTEST RULES

This Show is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the South Texas State Fair Livestock Poultry Show. Exhibitors should read all the General Rules and Regulations and be familiar with them. Show officials reserve the right to interpret these rules.

1. Entries in the record-keeping contest will be restricted to records submitted on projects that are entered in the current South Texas State Fair. The competition is open to active 4-H and FFA members only. Members may submit records on one species only.

2. All record books will be scored according to the following criteria:
   a. 30% - Financial Journal
   b. 30% - Learning Experiences
   c. 20% - Accomplishment of Project Goals and Objectives
   d. 10% - Legibility and Neatness
   e. 10% - Photographs

3. Members must use the South Texas State Fair's Livestock Project Record Form, which will be made available to participants, as printed forms or as an electronic file. Forms may be obtained through the YMBL office or the Jefferson County Extension Office.

4. The record must be submitted in a binder.

5. Photographs are limited to no more than six 4-inch by 5-inch pictures. Captions may not exceed 20 words per photograph.

6. Goals and objectives should be listed on the first page of the record form. Evidence of accomplishment of the goals and objectives should be provided in the sections for learning experiences and the summary of activities and accomplishments.

7. See Schedule of Events for Record forms DEADLINE.

## II. AWARDS

**Premiums are furnished by the South Texas State Fair.**

| CATEGORIES | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rabbits & Poultry | $50 | $30 | $20 |
| Swine, Lamb & Goat | $50 | $30 | $20 |
| Steers & Breeding Beef | $50 | $30 | $20 |

# SOUTH TEXAS STATE FAIR
# JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY AUCTION

***Exhibitors must register with Stock Show Auctions and create an account for each animal that they are exhibiting by the check-in date of that animal.***

**The South Texas State Fair Jr. Livestock and Poultry Auctions schedule will be as follows:**

The Auction will consist of up to the Top **30** Pens of Broilers, up to the Top **15** Pens of Rabbits up to the Top **15** Pens of Roasters, up to the top placing **36** Market Steers, up to the top placing **40** Market Swine, up to the top **10** Market Lambs, up to the top **15** Market Goats and a up to the top **10** F-1 Commercial Heifers.

1. The South Texas State Fair Jr. Livestock and Poultry Auction is a **TERMINAL** sale for steers, swine, goats, lambs, poultry, and rabbits. The F-1 Commercial Heifers are excluded from being terminal.

2. Any animal, rabbit, or poultry selected for the Junior Livestock and Poultry Auction MUST BE SOLD AT AUCTION. Any violation of these rules will result in the Exhibitor's removal from the Fairgrounds at that time and with the Exhibitor being disqualified from entering the South Texas State Fair Junior Livestock or Poultry Show at any future date. The Exhibitor will forfeit all Premiums, Prize Monies, and awards. Number of animals in the sale is subject to change. The F-1 Commercial Heifers are excluded from being terminal.

3. The Overall Grand Champion and Overall Reserve Champion of each species will be sold first and second, respectively. All market animals will be sold by the head.

4. Thank You Notes to Buyers and Buyers' Groups
   EACH EXHIBITOR IS REQUIRED TO SEND A THANK YOU CARD OR LETTER DIRECTLY TO THEIR BUYERS.

5. Auction Payments
   Exhibitor Auction Sale checks must be picked up by their County Extension Agent or Agricultural Science Teacher and distributed by them to their specific exhibitors. County Extension Agents and Agricultural Science Teachers will be notified via email when Auction Sale checks are ready for pickup. NO EXCEPTIONS.

6. Sale checks for livestock sold at auction will be held until carcass inspections are completed.