

**JIM WELLS COUNTY FAIR  
VALIDATION DATES and ENTRY FEES**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

All Jim Wells County Fair animal projects must be owned, placed on feed and in the exhibitor's or their immediate family's possession by validation dates.

All livestock entries and memberships are due to the 4-H leaders and FFA advisors on Friday, August 25, 2017. **THERE WILL BE ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE DEADLINE DATE. NO ENTRY FEES WILL BE REFUNDED AFTER THIS DATE.** All livestock entries and memberships are due into the fair office on Wednesday, August 30, 2017, by 5:00 p.m. The County Extension Agent or FFA Advisors must sign entry cards BEFORE they are turned into the fair office. All paper work must be completed before being turned into the fair office.

**MARKET RABBIT DIVISION – (STEWER RABBITS)** Rabbit must be under 8 months (born after February 19, 2017 and born before April 23, 2017) and weigh 2 pounds on validation date. Be in the exhibitor's possession by Saturday, May 06, 2017. Minimum weight is 8 pounds; maximum weight is 11 pounds. **VALIDATION and TATTOO DATE:** Saturday, May 06, 2017, at the Jim Wells County Fairgrounds from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. Any stever rabbit may be double entered in the Breeding Show as long as they meet the required weights for breeding rabbits outlined in the American Rabbit Breeder Association "Standard of Perfection" book. **ENTRY FEE:** \$6.00 per head. **(ROASTER RABBITS)** To be born after April 23, 2017, must be under 6 months of age. Be in the exhibitor's possession by Saturday, July 08, 2017. Minimum weight is 5½ pounds; maximum weight is 8 pounds. **VALIDATION and TATTOO DATE:** Saturday, July 08, 2017, at the fairgrounds from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. **ENTRY FEE:** \$6.00 per head

**BREEDING RABBIT DIVISION -** Must own rabbit by Saturday, July 08, 2017. Californian senior bucks 8 months and over must weigh 8 to 10 pounds. Californian intermediate bucks 6 to 8 months must weigh 8 to 9 pounds. Californian senior does 8 months and over must weigh 8½ to 10½ pounds. Californian intermediate does 6 to 8 months must weigh 8 to 9½ pounds. New Zealand senior bucks 8 months and over must weigh 9 to 11 pounds. New Zealand intermediate bucks 6 to 8 months must weigh 8 to 10 pounds. New Zealand senior does 8 months and over must weigh 10 to 12 pounds. New Zealand intermediate does 6 to 8 months must weigh 8 to 11 pounds. **VALIDATION and TATTOO DATE:** Saturday, July 08, 2017, at the fairgrounds from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. **ENTRY FEE:** \$10.00 per head.

**MARKET POULTRY DIVISION –** All market poultry must be ordered by order date. Minimum projects consist of 5 turkeys per exhibitor, 15 chicks per exhibitor to show both broilers and roasters. Turkey Order date March 08, 2017 (**TURKEYS-HENS AND TOMS**) **POSSESSION and VALIDATION DATE:** Wednesday, June 14, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., unless notified by superintendent, **ENTRY FEE:** \$6.00 per head. Broiler/Roaster Order date May 19, 2017 (**ROASTERS-MALES ONLY WITH A MINIMUM WEIGHT OF 5 POUNDS**) **POSSESSION and VALIDATION DATE:** Tuesday, September 5, 2017, from 10:00 am to 12:00 p.m., unless notified by superintendent. **ENTRY FEE:** \$6.00 per head. (**BROILERS-1 PEN OF 3-PULLETS ONLY, WITH A TOTAL PEN WEIGHT NOT TO BE LESS THAN 12 POUNDS**) **POSSESSION and VALIDATION DATE:** Tuesday, September 5, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., unless notified by superintendent. **ENTRY FEE:** \$6.00 per pen. **PLEASE NOTE:** Exhibitors cannot exceed a total of three (3) poultry entries. Some examples are: Exhibitor may show 3 turkeys, or 3 roasters, or 3 pens of 3 broilers, or 1 turkey, 1 roaster and 1 pen of 3 broilers, etc.

**MARKET STEER DIVISION -** Minimum weight 1000 pounds; maximum weight 1400 pounds. Steers must be shorn to not more than ¼ inch on any location of the body excluding the tail switch before arrival onto the fairgrounds; ¼ inch length will be checked at weigh-in. Steers not shorn will be disqualified from showing. **VALIDATION DATE:** Saturday, June 10, 2017, at the fairgrounds from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. **NOSE PRINTS WILL BE TAKEN. ENTRY FEE:** \$6.00 per head.

**MARKET LAMB DIVISION –** Minimum weight 90 pounds except Southdown 80 pounds; maximum weight 155 pounds. Lambs must be slick/clean shorn from the hocks up prior to final weigh-in. **CLASSIFICATION and VALIDATION DATE:** Friday, June 16, 2017 at the fairgrounds from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. **ENTRY FEE:** \$6.00 per head.

**MARKET SWINE DIVISION -** Minimum weight 230 pounds; maximum weight 280 pounds. **VALIDATION DATE:** Friday, June 23, 2017. **ENTRY FEE:** \$6.00 per head.

**BREEDING GILT DIVISION –** Minimum weight 230 pounds; maximum weight 280 pounds. Breeding gilts will consist of 4 divisions: Duroc, Hampshire, OPB and Crosses. **VALIDATION DATE:** Friday, June 23, 2017. **ENTRY FEE:** \$10.00 per head.

**MARKET GOAT DIVISION –** Market goats may be either wethers or does and must weigh a minimum of 70 pounds at weigh-in. **POSSESSION and VALIDATION DATES:** All goats must be in the exhibitor's or their immediate family's possession by Saturday, July 08, 2017. Goats must be validated at the fairgrounds on Saturday, July 08, 2017, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. **ENTRY FEE:** \$6.00 per head.

**BREEDING MEAT GOAT DIVISION – POSSESSION and VALIDATION DATE:** All goats must be owned, validated, ear tagged or tattooed, placed on feed, and in the exhibitor's or their immediate family's possession in Jim Wells County by Friday, July 21, 2017. Breeding goats must be validated by e-mail to [countyfair@sbcglobal.net](mailto:countyfair@sbcglobal.net) on or before July 21, 2017 on official validation forms. Information provided must include exhibitor name, mailing address, ?fiscal address?, phone #, club or chapter, name(s) of parent(s) or guardian(s), photo of goat, goat's number id, goat's sex, and goats approximate date of birth. Verification of validation will be e-mailed back to exhibitor at address provided. **CHECK-IN:** Goats are to be on the fairgrounds Wednesday, October 25, 2017, for check-in by noon. The division superintendent will assign pens if available. **ENTRY FEE:** \$10.00 per breeding goat.

**JUNIOR HORSE DIVISION** – All horses entering the Jim Wells County Fair must be tested for EIA according to the Texas Animal Health Commission rules & regulations. The exhibitor or immediate family must own animal by August 5, 2017 Horses under lease, but not owned by exhibitor, do not qualify. Animal may be grade or registered, any breed. **VALIDATION DATES:** Wednesday, August 2, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, August 5, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. All horses must be at the fairgrounds to validate. You must have a Grade Identification Form or a copy of Registration Forms and a copy of all Coggins to leave at validation. **ENTRY FEE:** \$10.00 per class.

**JUNIOR BREEDERS BEEF HEIFER DIVISION** – Heifer must be owned, in possession and registered in the name of the exhibitor by the parent association prior to August 5, 2017. **VALIDATION DATE:** Saturday, August 5, 2017, at the fairgrounds from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. PAPERS WILL BE CHECKED AT CHECK-IN. **ENTRY FEE:** \$10.00 per head.

**JUNIOR COMMERCIAL HEIFER DIVISION** – A statement from the breeder as to the date of birth will determine age of heifers. Must show proof of ownership. Heifer must be in the exhibitor's possession prior to Saturday, August 5, 2017. **VALIDATION DATE:** Saturday, August 5, 2017 at the fairgrounds from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. PAPERS WILL BE CHECKED AT CHECK-IN. **ENTRY FEE:** \$10.00 per head.

**SCRAMBLE HEIFER DIVISION** – A statement from the breeder as to the date of birth will determine age of heifers. Heifers must have come from a previously held Jim Wells County Calf Scramble. **VALIDATION DATE:** Saturday, August 5, 2017, at the fairgrounds from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. PAPERS WILL BE CHECKED AT CHECK-IN. **ENTRY FEE:** \$10.00 per head.

**VOCATIONAL SHOP PROJECTS DIVISION** – This division is open to all 4-H, FFA and FCCLA members enrolled in the public and parochial schools of Jim Wells County. Projects constructed during the previous 12 month period prior to the fair are eligible. Projects must be the direct result of the student's own effort. Projects entries forms must be returned by Friday August, 25, 2017. Ribbons will be presented at approximately 10:30 a.m. in the Merchant's Building following judging on Wednesday, October 25, 2017. Exhibitor must sell a fair membership. **ENTRY FEE:** \$1.00 per project.

**HOMEMAKING DIVISION** – All entries **MUST** be the complete work of the exhibitor and completed within one (1) calendar year of the previous fair. All entries must be pre-registered to be eligible for judging. Registration of entries must have the exact description of each entry. All entry forms will be available at the Jim Wells County Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office and must be returned by Friday, August 25, 2017-no later than 4:30 p.m. No late entries will be accepted. Entry forms must be complete; no entries can be filled out at the Extension office. Entries to the Jim Wells County Fair will be taken to the Woman's Building on Monday, October 23, 2017 between 3:00 and 7:00 p.m. No late arrivals will be accepted. All index cards for entries must be completed and placed with entry before checking in with the department superintendent. Pre-registration description must match with item turned in **ENTRY FEE:** None (BUT PLEASE NOTE) all youth entries must be a member of 4-H, FCCLA or an organized club and must sell one (1) fair membership. All adult (19-59) entries must be a member of the Jim Wells County Fair Association. The Senior Citizen division is open to any Jim Wells County resident 60 years of age or over.

**CALF SCRAMBLE DIVISION** – Only active 4-H and FFA members that live or go to school in Jim Wells County may participate. Contestants must answer 5 questions (on a separate sheet of paper) that are attached to the minor's release/entry card. Contestants must submit the answered questions, minor's release/entry card to the 4-H leaders and FFA advisors on Friday, August 25, 2017. Incomplete minor's release will not be accepted. All information requested must be complete. **RECIPIENTS MUST SUBMIT MONTHLY REPORTS TO THEIR SUPERVISORS, SPONSORS AND THE SCRAMBLE HEIFER SUPERINTENDENT BY NO LATER THAN THE 10<sup>TH</sup> OF EACH MONTH.**