2023
Matagorda County Fair

Pen of Three Commercial Heifer Rule Book

"Proudly Serving Today's Youth....Tomorrow's Future"

Attention: New Rules / Structure of the Pen of 3 Commercial Heifer Show are Highlighted in the Rule Book.

Please read this Rule Book carefully for important dates and other revisions.
Check website for any date changes or other information
www.matagordacountyfair.com

Rev. 7/08/2022

WARNING

TO ALL:
EXHIBITORS,
PARENTS/GUARDIANS,
AG SCIENCE INSTRUCTORS,
AND
COUNTY EXTENSION AGENTS:

ANY UNAPPROVED, OVER-TOLERANCE OR ILLEGAL SUBSTANCE DETECTED IN ANY MARKET SHOW ANIMALS LIVE OR CARCASS, MAY JEOPARDIZE ALL FUTURE MATAGORDA COUNTY FAIR & LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION. YOUTH LIVESTOCK AUCTIONS.

Dear Livestock Exhibitor and Parents,

Attached is the 2023 MCFLA Heifer Show Rule Book. Due to the importance of these rules, we encourage each parent and exhibitor to take the time and read over all the information throughout the book.

Over the past few months, the committees have made several changes to some of the rules. Please read them carefully, this will avoid any confusion or misunderstandings throughout the upcoming 2023 fair year. Rule changes are highlighted.

If you have any questions about the rule book, please feel free to contact the Extension office at (979)-245-4100 or email the Fair office and Board at mcfa@matagordacountyfair.com. We will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

We wish you the best of luck in your project!

Sincerely,

Matagorda County Cattlemen's Association, Matagorda County Fair and Livestock Exposition Association, the Livestock Committee, the Fair Board of Directors, and the Matagorda County Extension office.

MATAGORDA COUNTY FAIR & LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION ASSOCIATION
GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

I. The Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Association reserves the final absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with or incident to the show, and the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgment may determine. An exhibitor who violates any of the rules of this show will forfeit all privileges and premiums as the Association Committee may order.

II. **Liability**: Each exhibitor will be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss, injury or damage done to, or occasioned by, or arising from, any animal or article exhibited by him and for its description as given in the entry blanks and shall indemnify the Matagorda County Fair and Livestock Exposition Association against all legal or other proceedings in regard thereto, as well as damage or injury to other persons or property, caused by the exhibitor, or any of the exhibits exhibited by him, or arising out of, or in any way connected with such exhibition or any of the exhibits so exhibited.

III. **No-Pass, No-Play**: The Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Association has adopted a policy to reflect the no-pass, no-play rules of the University Interscholastic League. This rule will be enforced by the Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Association for Kindergarten through 12th grade exhibitors.

UIL Rule: Extracurricular Activities provides that a student shall be suspended from participation in any extracurricular activity sponsored or sanctioned by the school district or the University Interscholastic League during the first three weeks of the grade reporting periods after grade reporting periods in which the student received a grade lower than the equivalent of 70 on a scale of 100 in any academic class other than identified honors or advance class. After a Six-week grade reporting period or after the first six weeks of a semester or grade reporting period, in the case of a district with a reporting period longer than six weeks, a child who receives a grade below 70 is suspended from participation in extracurricular activities for three weeks, and for three-week intervals thereafter if all grades are not above 70.

- A suspended student may practice or rehearse with other students for an extracurricular activity but may not participate in a competition or other public performance.
- Provides that a student enrolled in a school district who participates in an extracurricular activity or UIL competition is subject to school district policy and UIL rules regarding participation only when the student is under the direct supervision of an employee of the school or district in which the student is enrolled or at any other time specified by resolution of the board of trustees of the district.
- Requires all UIL rules approved for the current year.

This rule is an effort to stress the importance of education. The Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Association's goal is "*Serving Today's Youth....Tomorrow's Future*." Every youth exhibitor wanting to enter the Fair will be responsible for their grades. The MCFLA will contact all schools regarding eligibility on all contestants/exhibitors. This rule will be enforced by the MCFLA for Kindergarten through 12th grade exhibitors. If they are not passing, they will not be allowed to enter their exhibits in the Fair. This rule will include all 4-H, FFA, and FCCLA projects.

Students who were eligible shall not lose eligibility until seven calendar days after the end of the grading period.
EXAMPLE: Grading period ends on Friday at 3:30 p.m. Students shall not regain or lose their eligibility until the following Friday at 3:30 p.m.

The Matagorda County Fair Board will support the decision of the schools in cases of ineligibility for academic or other disciplinary reason.

IV. **Excused Absences for February and March Show and Auction**: Exhibitors must submit a written note from the sponsor of the event at the Fair Office (Fairgrounds) two weeks prior to the event. The event must be a UIL, 4-H, or FFA related event that the exhibitor is participating in. Other circumstances will be considered by the Fair Board on an individual basis.

V. **Stalls, Pens & Alleys:** Stalls pens, alleys, and exhibit spaces must be kept clean. Refuse matter must be disposed of as follows: Manure, hay, feed, and bedding into designated dumpster, trash in to trash barrels. No dumping water in the stall area, pen or under the SEF Cover. Feed, chairs, show equipment boxes, etc. are not permitted to be placed in areas blocking the main alleys or barn aisles. Caution shall be used when placing overhead show equipment boxes or racks in aisle areas so that they do not pose a safety risk.

VI. **Curfew:** Curfew will begin each day at 11:00 p.m. till 6:00 a.m. No one (except for the Livestock Chairman, Co-Chairman and/or official veterinarian) will be allowed in the Livestock barns during this time. Security will be provided. All exhibitors and parents are to be out of the Special Events Facility (SEF) at this time. **Failure to comply with curfew rules will result in a $25.00 penalty fine, deductible from the sales or premium check, or exhibitor will not be eligible to sell at auction**.

VII. **Protests**: All protests concerning Matagorda County Commercial Heifer Show entries must be submitted prior to interviews and be accompanied by a $200.00 cash deposit. The deposit will be returned ONLY if the protest is upheld. Once judging has commenced, NO protests will be accepted. The Judges' decision is final and not subject for protest. Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation. The protest will be reviewed by at least five (5) members of the Matagorda County Cattleman's Association. The ruling of the Matagorda County Cattleman's Association will be final. Both sides of the protest must be present at the time of the protest. There will be no anonymous protests accepted. Every exhibitor, in consideration of his/her entry being accepted by the Matagorda County Fair and Livestock Exposition Association Commercial Heifer Show, agrees that the conclusion reached by the Cattleman's Association shall be final, without any recourse against the Matagorda County Cattleman's Association Board of Directors, Matagorda County Fair and Livestock Exposition Association, Board of Directors, Division Chairman, Superintendent, or Committeemen.

VIII. The Matagorda County Cattleman's Association and the Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Association will assume no responsibility in case of theft, accident, or other destruction of your property. However, every precaution will be taken to eliminate any danger in the showroom. Parents are held responsible for all their children's actions.

IX. **Official Veterinarians**: Exhibitors must use one of the following official Vets; Randy Volkmer, Josh Shield, Tess Crider, Lafy Saha, Jana Zapalac, Audrey Jacoby, Doug Marquardt, Bryan Sherman, Carrie Foltyn, Jim Davant

X. **All judges** will be selected by Matagorda County Cattleman's Association.

XI. **Competition**: Only Junior entrants will be allowed to exhibit Commercial Heifer Pen of 3 and participate in the auction.

XII. **All 4-H Junior Entrants (Exhibitor)** must be an active member in good standings of an organized Matagorda County 4-H Club and attend a minimum of three club meetings prior to the fair of to be eligible to participate in the livestock show; must be a current resident of Matagorda County **or** enrolled in Matagorda County school, credited courses at a home school, private school, or public school to be eligible to exhibit in the Commercial Heifer division; must own his own exhibit individually for the specified length of time required in each of the classes, must have fed his/her exhibit at residence or designated property in Matagorda County under the supervision of the Matagorda County Extension Agents. An exhibitor may petition the Matagorda County Fair Board of Directors if they do not meet the above criteria and wish to show in the Matagorda County Fair Junior Livestock Show. Directors will review on a "case by case' basis.

XIII. **All Matagorda County FFA chapters or Matagorda County FCCLA Chapters Junior Entrants (Exhibitor**) must be an active member in good standings of an organized Matagorda County FFA Chapter or Matagorda County FCCLA Chapter and attend a minimum of 50% of the club's meetings prior to the fair to be eligible to participate in the livestock show; must be a resident of Matagorda County or enrolled in a Matagorda County school, credited courses at a home school, private school, or public school to be eligible to exhibit in the Commercial Heifer division; must own their own exhibit individually for the specific length of time required in each of the classes, must have fed his/her exhibit at residence or designated property in Matagorda County under the supervision of the Matagorda County Extension Agents or County High School Agriculture Science Instructor. An exhibitor may petition the Matagorda County Fair Board of Directors if they do not meet the above criteria and wish to show in the Matagorda County Fair Junior Livestock Show. Directors will review on a "case by case' basis.

XIV. **All 4-H Junior Entrants and FFA Chapter or Matagorda County FCCLA Chapter Junior Entrants (Exhibitor)**

a) All Livestock entries must be in the physical care and possession of the exhibitor from the time of the tag in until the animal release date at the fair.

b) All entries must be kept in Matagorda County and/or in the Palacios School District at the physical address shown on the entry form. If a project needs to be relocated, exhibitor need to notify the Fair Office by email or fax with the new location for which the project will be house and for the estimated length of time that the project will be at the new property. Exhibitor must receive a confirmation of receipt before moving the project.

c) The animal may not be out of the county longer than 24 hours without approval from the MCFLA Board. Exceptions include participating in a major show, animal is under listed veterinary care (veterinarians excuse required by a board approval veterinarian), or other reasons approved by the board. Please notify the Fair Office by email or fax with a confirmation of receipt before leaving the county. Instances such as a hurricane evacuation will have a blanket excuse issued.

d) All Agricultural Science Instructors, County Extension Agents, and members of the Board of Directors of the Matagorda County Fair and Livestock Exposition Association will have the authority to spot check feeders at any time without notice. Violations will make the animal and exhibitor ineligible for the current year's fair. A second offense will make the family ineligible indefinitely. Refusal to allow spot checks or refusal to allow those authorized to conduct spot checks onto the property where livestock animals are located, will cause the exhibitor to be ineligible to show at the current year's fair.

Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Show
2023 Pen of Three Commercial Heifer Show & Sale

Program Objectives

The purpose of the Pen of 3 Commercial Heifer Show is to provide a project that will expose the exhibitors to commercial cattle production. This includes the purchasing, development, breeding, exhibition, and marketing of crossbred beef cattle heifers.

Entry Fee & Forms:	**Turned in to the Extension Office, Thursday, October 20, 2022, by 5:00 p.m.**
	$20.00 entry fee
Tag-in	Any time prior to 5:00 p.m., Thursday, October 20, 2022
	Bay City Vet Clinic or Palacios Vet Clinic
Tag-in Scheduling:	It is the exhibitor's responsibility to contact the Vet Clinic to schedule tag-in appointment.
Record Books due:	Friday, February 17, 2023, 4:30 p.m., Extension office - 2200 7th street 3rd floor
Record Book Judging:	To be announced later
Heifer Check In:	Friday, February 24, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Interviews:	Friday, February 24, 2023, Location to be Announced, 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Heifer Judging:	Friday, February 24, 2023, 5:00 p.m. (Exhibitor & Family not present)
Stall Maintenance:	Saturday, February 25, 2023, Gates Open, 6:00 a.m.
Removal of Sifted Heifers:	Saturday, February 25, 2023, by 9:00 a.m.
Public Viewing:	Saturday, February 25, 2023, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (Exhibitor Present)
Heifer Awards:	Saturday, February 25, 2023, 12:30 pm, SEF
Heifer Sale:	Saturday, February 25, 2023, Following Awards, SEF
Heifer Checkout/Delivery:	Saturday, February 25, 2023, by 4:00 p.m.
Stall Cleanup:	Saturday, February 25, 2023, by 4:00 p.m.
Thank you notes due:	Thursday, March 30, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.
	4-H exhibitors and FFA exhibitors turn in thank you notes to the Extension Office. (2200 7th St. 3rd FL)

Introduction: This project is not a part of the Junior Livestock Auction Division; therefore, 4-H and FFA members can sell in this program as well as in the Junior Livestock Auction. (Example: You can sell a heifer or pen of heifers in addition to a steer, swine, lamb, goat, poultry, or rabbit.) However, exhibitor must abide by the General Junior Livestock Rules.

1. Crossbred heifers are desired but purebred heifers will be permitted to show provided they have not shown anywhere other than the Pen of 3 Commercial Heifer Show at the 2022 Matagorda County Fair and Livestock Show.
2. Heifers cannot be added or switched, and heifer class cannot be changed after tag-in date.
3. Exhibitor MUST OWN heifers 100% throughout feeding period starting at the initial tag-in. Exhibitor must feed and care for calves throughout feeding period. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to care and tend to his/her exhibit from the time of arrival until release.
4. The solicitation of judges will not be allowed by exhibitors.

5. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (Health Papers) and Proof of Brucellosis Vaccination, all heifers entered in the Matagorda County Fair Commercial Heifer Show will be required to have the following:
   a. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection including pregnancy test dated no more than 30 days prior to the date of sale.
   b. Proof of Brucellosis vaccination obtained as the original, or a copy of the original certificate from the breeder or from the Texas Animal Health Commission.
   c. The **original** Certificate of Veterinary Inspection and the original, or a copy of the Proof of Brucellosis Vaccination must be given to the Commercial Heifer Chairman at check-in.
   d. A **copy** of these documents is also required in the Commercial Heifer Record Book. (No originals will be accepted for the Record book.)
6. The Matagorda County Fair Association prohibits the feeding of ruminant meat and bone meal to ruminant animals.

VALIDATION (TAG-IN)

1. All Junior Commercial Heifer entries will be tagged at the Bay City Vet Clinic or Palacios Vet Clinic any time prior to 5:00 p.m., Thursday, October 20, 2022. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to contact the Vet Clinic to schedule tag-in appointment
2. **Application for Entry/ Entry Fee/ Release and Indemnity Agreement/ W-9 All Livestock entry forms are due at the Extension Office on Thursday, October 20, 2022, by 5:00 p.m.** There is a non-refundable $20.00 entry fee for each exhibitor. All livestock show entry forms must be signed prior to entry due date. Exhibitors are responsible for obtaining their Ag Science Teacher or their 4-H Club Managers signature on their entry form prior to the entry deadline. Unsigned forms will be considered incomplete and will not be accepted. Entry forms received after the 5:00 p.m. deadline will be subject to a $100.00 late fee, plus the entry fee of $20.00 for a total of $120.00. Information on entry form is final; any changes after the deadline, such as club or chapter will need to be presented to the fair board for approval. A new completed entry form will need to be turned in to the Extension Office to be eligible to show.
3. The pen of three (3) competition must have at least three (3) head and no more than five (5) head tagged in. To be able to compete, there must be at least three heifers. If not, the remaining heifers will be eligible to sell in the sale but ineligible to compete for awards, provided there are less than 36 pens showing.
4. There will be two classes:
   a. Open Class:
      - Pen of 3 un-haltered heifers: 12 - 20 months old on day of sale
      - All heifers in the Open Class must be sold guaranteed open.
   b. Bred Class:
      - Pen of 3 un-haltered heifers: 18 - 30 months old on day of sale
      - All heifers in the Bred Class must be palpated, safe in calf a minimum of 60 days or have a calf at side at check-in.
      - The exhibitor will be required to furnish breeding information in regard to the breed of bull used, birth weight of bull (if available) and breeding date.
      - No substitute or orphan calf can be used to replace bred heifer's calf. Exhibitor guarantees the pair.
5. All heifers must be Brucellosis calfhood vaccinated by the initial tag-in.

6. If the official MCFLA ear tag is removed or accidentally torn out, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to notify the General Livestock Superintendent of the Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Association. The supervisor will then retag the heifer if no tampering or unethical practice has been exercised.

RECORD BOOK & EXHIBITOR INTERVIEW

1. Record Books are **mandatory** for **ALL** exhibitors and must be turned in to Extension Office no later than 4:30 p.m., Friday, February 17, 2023. See "Pen of 3 Record Book Outline" guidelines/examples.

a. Exhibitors must have a statement signed by the breeder showing the heifers' birth date as a part of their Record Book.

b. Record Book must contain a **copy** of the Brucellosis vaccination paper and a **copy** of the health papers. (Page 8, Rule # 5.d)

2. Individual exhibitor interviews will be Friday, February 24, 2023, Location to be Announced, 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. If you are unable to be present for the interview, you will receive no points.

3. **Scoring System**

a.	Record Book	20
b.	Interview	10
c.	Heifers' Characteristics	70
		100

FEBRUARY SHOW

1. **Arrival of Animal Exhibits:** All livestock must arrive on the show grounds by the scheduled time each year. Exhibitors and animals must be in the line at the designated location at the scheduled time to be eligible to check in and exhibit the animal.

2. **Assigning Pen Numbers** will be done through the Office with the assistance of the Matagorda County Cattlemen's Commercial Heifer Chairman. Exhibitor must abide by the set assignment.

3. Heifers will be checked in for the Fair on Friday, February 24, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the Matagorda County Fair Grounds. (SEF Barn)

4. All heifers must comply with Texas Animal Health Commission Rules governing entry in the Matagorda County Fair. Please check with your veterinarian for regulations concerning Stock Shows and Sales within thirty days before the fair.

a. The **original** health papers and an original, if available, or a copy of the Brucellosis vaccination papers must be presented to the Heifer Committee Chairman at the time of check -in, before heifers are unloaded.

b. Any heifer(s) that does not comply with health certificates at check-in or with the rules stated in the MCFLA Pen of 3 Commercial Heifer Show rules will automatically make the pen ineligible for placement for show. However, the qualified heifers of that pen are eligible to sell at the end of the auction. Provided there is less than 36 pens placing in the show.

c. If an exhibitor wishes not to sell in the Pen of 3 Commercial Heifer Auction, they must notify the Heifer Chairman or Livestock Chairman at heifer check-in to make their heifers ineligible for placement and sale.

5. Pen of heifers will be judged on Friday, February 24, 2023, 5:00 p.m. (exhibitor & family not present)

6. A "Quality Sift" will be imposed using out of county judges on Friday night. Sifted Exhibitors will be notified and not allowed to sell in the auction. Sifted Exhibitors must remove their project off the premises by Saturday, February 25, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

7. Stall Maintenance: Exhibitor needs to feed and take care of Heifers and make their area presentable to the public on Saturday, February 25, 2023, 10:30 a.m. Gates will open at 6:00 a.m.

8. Public Viewing: Saturday, February 25, 2023, 11:00am – 12:30 a.m. Exhibitor is required to be present for public viewing between 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 a.m.

9. Classes will consist of the following: Bred Class and Open Class

a. Grand Champion pen of three (3) un-haltered heifers
b. Reserve Grand Champion pen of three (3) un-haltered heifers
c. Blue, Red, and White Ribbon Pen of three (3) un-haltered heifer**s**
d. The Commercial Heifer Committee reserves the right to amend the class, to adjust according to the number of entries.

AUCTION

1. **Solicitation of Buyers**- Exhibitors are not allowed to solicit buyers in any way the day of the auction other than having your picture taken with buyer. If you have a question, wait until the auction is over so not to disturb the buyer as they are buying other projects. Any exhibitor found in violation of this rule will have $200.00 deducted from their check and/or be removed from the auction sales order.

2. Auction

a. A maximum of 36 pens of heifers will sell. In the event we have over 36 pens, pens without three eligible heifers according to the guidelines will be ineligible.

b. All eligible heifers must sell on Saturday, February 25, 2023.

c. All exhibitors selling an entry at the auction sale must accompany that entry to the auction ring according to the sale number on auction sales list. Any exhibitor who fails to have his entry in the auction ring at the proper time **will automatically forfeit 50% of the gross sale and the project will be sold in sale order without their presence**. The only exception to this will be exhibitors who have official (written) excuses from their supervisor and the Executive Committee at least two hours prior to the auction. If an exhibitor has submitted a written excuse, his/her heifers may be shown by another 4-H or FFA member who meets eligibility requirements.

d. A 6.5% sales charge will be discounted from each exhibit that sells through the sale ring to help compensate for sale costs.

e. In order to comply with the National Law on Beef check-off, two dollars ($2) will be deducted from the sales price of each heifer.

f. Sifted Projects – Exhibitors who are sifted will be listed on a "Sifted Livestock Project List" found on the back on the Pen of 3 Commercial Heifer and the Junior Livestock Auction Sales Sheet to enable Add-On donations.

3. **Animal donated back to Exhibitor** - Any animal donated back to the exhibitor will go to resale and the resale amount will be included in the exhibitor's check. Exhibitors wishing to keep their animal must notify the Auction Sales Office immediately after the auction.

4. **Sifted Projects-** Exhibitors who are sifted will be eligible to be on the Sifted Livestock Project List to receive donations. If an exhibitor wishes not to be on the sifted Livestock Project List they must notify the Heifer Chairman, Livestock Chairman, or Livestock Superintendent at Heifer Check-in.

5. Buyers Photos – Each exhibitor will be responsible for purchasing a buyer's photograph to be delivered to their respective buyer.

   - A $10 fee will be deducted from sale proceeds to cover the cost of the photo and buyer's plaque.
   - Each exhibitor is responsible for picking up their buyer's photo and check from the Fair Office located at the Fairgrounds and delivering the photo to their respective buyer.
   - Exhibitor is responsible for contacting buyer at the time of the sale of said lot for a buyer's photo.
   - If buyer is unavailable for photo after the time of sale of said lot, exhibitor must wait for buyer to take photo.
   - If buyer is not present for photo after the time of sale of said lot, exhibitor must take a photo with said lot to be delivered to buyer. No exceptions

6. All heifers will be released immediately following the sale and must be picked up by 4:00 p.m. Saturday, February 25, 2023.

7. All exhibitors must be present to release heifers. The exhibitor is responsible for delivery of his heifers to the buyer.

8. All heifers entered in this program and sold become the property of the buyer and will remain sold.

9. Cleaning of Premises - Each exhibitor will be required to keep his own exhibition area or areas clean and the aisle in front of these areas. After release of exhibit, each exhibitor will be responsible for cleaning of his area or areas. **A $50.00 fee will be deducted from the sales or premium checks if the exhibitor does not satisfactorily clean exhibit areas**. Each exhibitor must have his area clean by 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 25, 2023.

10. This program is designed to be educational and beneficial to the youth of Matagorda County. Any parent or exhibitor found not adhering to any rule pertaining to the Commercial Heifer Show may be banned for a period of one (1) year from exhibition in this program.

11. The Commercial Heifer Committee reserves the right to amend these rules with the approval of the Board of Directors of the Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Association.

12. **Thank you notes required from exhibitors who**:

- Sold their animal project in the Junior Livestock Auction or Commercial Heifer Sale
- Had someone/business make an Add-On to their project in the sale or the Sifted Livestock Project List
- Had a Belt Buckle Sponsor
- Received a Calf Scramble $100 Award (Calf Scramble T-Shirt Sponsor thank you also required)

*****4-H Exhibitors and FFA Exhibitors MUST turn in their "addressed, stamped with appropriate postage, unsealed THANK YOU letter(s)" at the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. Thursday, March 30th, 2023, in order to receive their check. *****

Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Show
2023 Pen of Three Commercial Heifer Show & Sale

Pen-of-Three
Record Book Outline

I. Record Book "Cover Sheet"- example attached*

II. Breeder Information Page - example attached*

   A. Breed of each heifer and the standards used for selecting that breed
   B. Heifer's identification numbers
   C. Birth date of each heifer (month and year)

III. Summary of Expenses - example attached*

   A. Purchase date and price of each heifer
   B. Feed and forage
   C. Veterinary Bills (all medicines/vaccines and precondition)
   D. Other Expenses

IV. Story / Knowledge & Skills Learned, such as

   A. Clinics attended
   B. Hands on experience
   C. Information obtained

V. Pictures - Show progression of your project from beginning to end

VI. Health Papers - required (copies)
   A. Brucellosis
   B. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (Health papers)

*The examples attached can be used, although other forms qualify as long as they contain all pertinent information.

Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Show
2023 Pen of Three Commercial Heifer & Sale
Record Book

"Cover Sheet"

Name:_____

Address_____ City, _____Zip: _____

Phone:_____

Exhibitor's Date of Birth:_____

4-H Club:_____

FFA Chapter:_____

_____ _____

Exhibitor's Signature Parent's Signature

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4-H Club Manager or Ag-Science Instructor Signature

Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Show
2023 Pen of Three Commercial Heifer Show & Sale

Breeder Information Page
(**OPEN CLASS**)

Exhibitor Name:_____

Heifer Numbers:_____

Breed of Heifers:_____

Heifers Birth Date:_____

Breeder Name:_____

Breeder Address:_____

City, Zip: _____

County: _____

Other Remarks:_____

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Breeder's Signature

Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Show
2023 Pen of Three Commercial Heifer Show & Sale

Breeder Information Page
(BRED CLASS)

Exhibitor Name:_____

Heifer Numbers:_____

Breed of Heifers:_____

Heifers Birth date:_____

Breed of Bull (Bull/Heifer is bred to):_____

Birth weight of Bull (if available):_____

Breeding Date:_____

Breeder Name:_____

Breeder Address:_____

City, Zip: _____

County: _____

Other Remarks:_____

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Breeder's Signature

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES

Items	Results
1. Initial cost of heifers	
2. Number animals fed	
3. Number days on pasture	
4. Total pounds of feed fed	
5. Total pounds of roughage fed	
6. Total cost of feed and roughage	
7. Pasture rent	
8. Total roughage/feed and pasture rent (add lines 6 and 7)	
9. Feed and pasture cost per animal (Item 8 divided Item 2)	
10. Veterinary costs	
11. Other costs	
12. "Break-even" cost per head (Item 1+8+10+11 divided by Item 2)	
13. Estimated Market Value of Heifers	per hd
14. Projected Profit (Item 13 - Item 12)	

EXPENSES

FEED PURCHASED:

Date	Total Pounds Purchased	Description of Feed and/or Pasture	Price per cwt or per unit	Cost
Sub-Total				
Credit				
Total				

VETERINARY EXPENSES:

Date	Description	Amount	Cost
Total			

OTHER COSTS:

Date	Description	Amount	Cost
Total			

Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition
2023 Pen of Three Commercial Heifer
Record book Score Sheet

20-point basis

I. Cover Sheet 1

II. Breeder Information Page 1

III. Summary of Expenses 5

IV. Story/Knowledge & Skills Learned 6

V. Pictures 6

VI. Health Papers 1

TOTAL 20

MATAGORDA COUNTY FAIR AND LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION
2023 PEN OF THREE COMMERCIAL HEIFER
SCORE SHEET

	Commercial Heifer Judge scores						
Pen #	Uniformity 1 - 25	Disposition/ Temperament 1 - 10	Femineity 1 - 10	Breeding & Body Condition 1 - 25	Record Book 1 - 20	Interview 1 - 10	TOTAL POINTS 100
1							
2							
3							

2023 ENTRY FORM
MATAGORDA COUNTY FAIR AND LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION SHOW
PEN OF THREE COMMERCIAL HEIFER SHOW

Entry Fee: $20.00 per pen Date Paid: _____

Check #/Money Order/Voucher (NO CASH): _____

Receipt #: _____

Exhibitor Name: _____

Exhibitor Address: _____
Mailing Address City State Zip

PHONE/Home: _____ Cell: _____ Alt. Cell: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

FFA Chapter **or** 4-H Club: _____

School you attend: _____

Grade (3-12): _____ Exhibitor Birth Date: _____

Parent's Name: _____ Parent's Email: _____

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Please check appropriate class: Open Class ☐ Bred Class ☐ How Many Months Bred? _____

Animal I.D. Numbers: _____

Animal's Date of Birth: _____

Breed of Animals: _____

Breeder's Name: _____

Breeder's Address: _____

Breeder's County: _____

Physical address/location where animal(s) will be kept: _____

_____

MATAGORDA COUNTY FAIR & LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION ASSOCIATION

I,_____, exhibitor, have read and understand the Rules and Regulations of the Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Association, including the NO PASS-NO PLAY policies, the Substance Avoidance Program, the Animal Residency Requirement and Clean up requirement. I understand that the Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Association prohibits the feeding of ruminant meat and bone meal to ruminant animals and by signing I agree to adhere to these rules and regulations of the Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Show and the Commercial Heifer & Sale.

Please fill out and sign Release and Indemnity Agreement

I/we, _____,a participant(s)/contestant(s) in the Commercial Heifer Show (event) of Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Association do hereby knowingly and voluntarily release the above referenced event, the Matagorda County Cattleman's Association, the Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Association, Board of Directors, members, judges, volunteers and employees of the Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Exposition Association, Matagorda County and any other person, firm or individual charged and chargeable with responsibility or liability, their heirs, administrators, executors, successors and assigns from and against any and all claims, lawsuits, demands, damages, loss of services, actions and causes of action based upon, arising out of, such event(s) or in any way related to any honors, awards, or rights sought by me as a participant in the Matagorda County Fair Association the conduct of business threat thereat, the ownership and possession of any honors, awards, or rights, thereby, any negligent act, act of misfeasance of nonfeasance by the Matagorda County Fair Association with any honors, awards, and rights, bestowed at said events. Further, I do hereby agree to exonerate, hold harmless, and indemnify such event(s) past, present or future in connection with such honors, awards, and rights. Such indemnification to include any and all fees (including reasonable attorney's fee), costs and other expenses reasonably incurred by or on behalf of the above referenced event(s) and investigation of or defense against any such claims, lawsuits, demands, actions, or causes of actions.

I have had a full and adequate opportunity to be thoroughly advised of the terms and conditions of this release and indemnity agreement by counsel of my own choosing. I have also been afforded the opportunity to ask any and all questions that I have concerning this document and its execution by me. I do fully understand the terms of this agreement and do intentionally and voluntarily agree to same. All Livestock entries must be in the physical care and possession of the exhibitor from the time of the tag in until the animal release date at the fair. All entries must be kept in Matagorda County and/or in the Palacios School District at the physical address shown on the entry form. The animal may not be out of the county longer than 24 hours without approval from the MCFLA board. Exceptions include participating in a major show, animal is under listed veterinary care (veterinarians excuse required), or other reasons approved by the Board. Please notify the Fair office by email, phone, or fax with a confirmation of receipt before leaving the county. Instances such as a hurricane evacuation will have a blanket excuse issued. All agricultural Science Instructors, County Extension Agents, and members of the Board of Directors of the Matagorda County Fair and Livestock Exposition Association will have the authority to spot check feeders at any time. Violations will make the animal and exhibitor ineligible for the current year's fair. A second offense will make the family ineligible indefinitely.

_____ _____

Participant's/Contestant's Signature

Parent's Signature
(If Participant/Contestant is under 18 Years of Age)

_____

Witness' *Signature* Witness' Print Name Date Signed

****Witness must be 4-H Club Manager, Ag-Science Instructor Signature or Extension Staff Member.***

4-H Club Manager or Ag-Science Instructor Signature

(Required prior to submitting entry)

THE ABOVE DOCUMENT MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED BEFORE PERTICIPATION IN ANY MATAGORDA COUNTY FAIR AND LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION ASSOCIATION EVENT.

Form **W-9**
(Rev. October 2018)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

▶ Go to *www.irs.gov/FormW9* for instructions and the latest information.

Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.

2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above

3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only **one** of the following seven boxes.

☐ Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC ☐ C Corporation ☐ S Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Trust/estate

☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ▶ _____

Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is **not** disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.

☐ Other (see instructions) ▶

4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):

Exempt payee code (if any) _____

Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____

(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)

5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.

Requester's name and address (optional)

6 City, state, and ZIP code

7 List account number(s) here (optional)

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number

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or

Employer identification number

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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here | **Signature of U.S. person** ▶ | **Date** ▶

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to *www.irs.gov/FormW9*.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, *later.*