2018 McCULLOCH COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW & SALE
GENERAL RULES
Approved by the General Membership April 25, 2017
(Rules that have been clarified and/or changed since the previous show are highlighted)

GENERAL RULES

1. The Executive Committee shall consist of all county Extension Agents, Ag-Science teachers, specie superintendents, and Board members.

2. The Executive Committee reserves the right to interpret and enforce rules and hand down decisions on any question that might arise concerning the show and sale and related events.

3. Any "Major" rule changes or amendments must be presented to the general membership meeting for their approval or disapproval, preferably as soon as possible after the conclusion of that year's show and sale. "Major" Rules are defined as any change that will have a direct influence in determining the eligibility of an animal/exhibitor to participate in the show/sale.

4. The Board and its associates will not be responsible for accidents, damage, harm or injury to or loss of livestock, exhibitors, spectators, participants, or equipment. All exhibitors of livestock and those having charge of livestock shall guard, protect, and preserve them because the association and its directors do not undertake to do so and furthermore will not be responsible for any loss, damage, harm or injury of livestock, owners, people, spectators, participants, or equipment.

5. The Board of Directors and the Executive Committee will be obliged to plan, organize, arrange for finance, and conduct the annual McCulloch County 4-H & FFA Livestock Show and Sale.

6. Exhibitors must keep their animals in their assigned stalls/pens/designated areas during the show when not showing their animals.

7. Check with the specie superintendent before you use or put out any bedding. Only shavings can be used in the main barn for bedding and for cattle as well. Any soiled hay remaining as bedding or feed/manure/trash must be removed immediately after the show or on clean up day the following week (7 working days) or $25.00 will be withheld from the exhibitors premium check if the show officials have to clean up the bedding.

8. Any activity that affects the operation and/or preparation of the show and sale, must be presented to the Board of Directors for their approval and endorsement.

9. No alcoholic beverages or consumption is allowed on the premises during workdays, show, or sale.

10. All trailers shall be parked in the designated outside parking lot following unloading of animals and equipment. No trailer may remain near to or close to the show barns, nor outside the designated trailer parking area within the complex during the show without board approval.

11. The Association "raffle tickets" approved fund raising project will be **MANDATORY** for each exhibitor. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to pick up their own tickets. Failure to return the assigned ticket stubs and funds at the proper time, place, and person will result in the deduction of the value of the tickets from the exhibitor's premium check. Exhibitors that choose to sell additional tickets will be eligible for the Top Selling Awards given to exhibitors that sell the most raffle tickets.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Because we believe that our youth is our most valuable resource and future, we are committed to invest in this future by sponsoring scholarships. When possible, the association shall annually present **at least** two (2) scholarships in the amount of One Thousand dollars ($1000) (Five Hundred $500 each semester) each to deserving youth involved in 4-H and FFA who meet the qualifications as set by the stock show association. See scholarship application for further requirements or information. **Our goal is to offer even more scholarships.**

ELIGIBILITY

For an exhibitor to be eligible to show and sell in the county show and sale, they must:

1) Be enrolled in a McCulloch County public school in 1st thru 12th grade or be home-schooled within a McCulloch County ISD (or if attending an out of county school, they must reside within a McCulloch Co ISD) and must have not yet graduated from high school.
   A. Exception can be granted to a family on a case by case basis by the general membership's approval.
2) Exhibitors, 9 years old or in the 3rd grade or older must be an actively participating member in good standing of a McCulloch Co. 4-H Club/ FFA chapter and not enrolled in any 4-H club / FFA chapter outside of McCulloch County.
   A. Exception can be granted to a family on a case by case basis by the general membership's approval.
3) Have their animals on feed prior to the show's ownership deadline & have them properly validated by the county validation committee.
4) Not show and/or sell in any other county stock show.

SUBSTITUTIONS

1. No livestock substitutions are allowed after validation dates for that species. Hardship cases will be considered by the board of directors.

2. All entries must be shown by the owner, except when the exhibitor has more than one entry in a class ... cannot be present to show... or ... is academic ineligible. With the department superintendent's approval depending upon the situation, any McCulloch County 4-H or FFA member who is an exhibitor may exhibit and/or sell these animals.

PROTESTS, GRIEVANCES, RULE EXEMPTIONS

1. **Protests** must be in writing and be accompanied by a deposit of one hundred ($100) dollars, which will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. Such a protest must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal and must be delivered to a Board Officer prior to judging or immediately after the judging. A quorum of the Board (10 members or more) will review the protest and render a *FINAL* decision. Advisors should be included in the protest/grievance process.

2. **Minor grievances or complaints** can be made to or presented to the Board by having the grievance/complaint put on the agenda as defined in section VII D-2 of the BY-LAWS of the Association.

1. **Rule Exemption** requests due to surmounting situations not of a protest, grievance, or complaint nature, should be submitted prior to the event in writing to the Association President for board review. Board approval will be granted only in extraordinary circumstances.

ENTERING & VALIDATION OF LIVESTOCK

1. Both entry fees and entry forms that have been signed by both exhibitors and parents, will need to be turned in to the CEA or VO-Ag teacher prior to November 15. Every animal shown must have an accompanying entry form.. Entry monies will be used to pay for the awards and prize money in each class. The entry fee is $10.00 per animal. McCulloch County Junior Livestock Association is a non-refundable organization. This includes all fees, entry fees, transactions, etc.

2. All animals must be on feed by the official county's validation date. The Board will designate the time & place for validation each year Steers/Heifers - June; rabbits/sheep/goats/heifers/county only steers -October; Pigs - Nov... These approximate dates may coincide with the state validation program. Each exhibitor will be responsible for the cost of county & state validation tags and related validation costs (technicians fees, etc.).

3. After validation, all animals are to be on continuous feed and under the ownership and management of the exhibitor and his or her immediate family, and under the supervision of a county Ag teacher or CEA. Any animals cared for, fed, trained, groomed, etc by breeders and/or professionals fitters will be disqualified and barred from the show unless there has been prior board approval.) (**exception - hoof trimming is allowed)** If in doubt, question the board regarding eligibility.

4. No animals may be exhibited more than once at County Show. Heifers and rabbits. This rule will go into effect the year of 2011 Stock Show.

5. Any animal that has sold in a premium sale in connection with an "out-of-county" major show is ineligible to show and sale in the McCulloch County show & sale.

CHECK-IN OF LIVESTOCK

1. The specie superintendent (specie chairman) will establish his or her own committee to check-in and weigh-in livestock. The specie committee's decision (3 or more people) will be final regarding all animals checked or weighed "in or out" in their respective departments. After the completion of check-in, the animals will be broken into assigned classes as determined by the species committee with the approval of the Board officers and advisors. *Refer to department rules for each species for additional rules & regulations*.

2 All animals will be checked in, weighed, sifted, and/or classified at the designated time/place by the specie committee, and other hired personnel. Each animal will be weighed in only one time. Once an animal leaves the check-in area... all matters relating to the check-in process becomes "official and final" (unless requested by the specie superintendent).

At check-in, the exhibitor, parent, or designated person must present the animal with the following information at the designated time and place:

- A. Breed or division of the animal for classification
- A. Exhibitor's name ... who will be showing the animal
- B. Official Validation ID number or ear notch used at validation
- C. Any information requested by the specie committee and/or superintendent. (Exception: Any animal not meeting the official weight requirements will be allowed 1 (one) re-weigh at check-in, and then either sifted or classed and assigned properly by the superintendent and/or hired official. This animal may not leave the check-in area prior to the "re-weighting" and completion of the check-in process for that animal).

3. All animals requiring shearing/grooming must be shorn or clipped (refer to department rules for hair/wool regulations) prior to show arrival & check-in. Each exhibitor will be responsible to groom their animal. The following are the only people allowed to groom or care for animals at the McCulloch County Junior Livestock Show.
   - A. exhibitors
   - B. exhibitors' parents/guardian/siblings
   - C. other Jr. Exhibitors from McCulloch County
   - D. certified McCulloch County Adult Leaders (current adult leader form and background check required)
   - E. Advisors

   Following check in, all animals can be washed, toweled, brushed, and/or blown with electric blowers. No clipping, trimming, blocking, and/or altering hair/wool length is allowed after arrival and during the show. (Exception: Cattle - hoof trimming allowed).

4. The Board will obtain a health certificate exemption for the show/sale if necessary. Exhibitors are responsible to have their animal entries current with all USDA regulations at show arrival and check-in of animals.

ANIMALS INELIGIBLE FOR SHOW / SALE

1. The specie committee (3 or more people) can sift any animal at any time if they so declare the animal unfit or ineligible and/or if the exhibitor violates any rule or regulation of the show, including: If in doubt, refer to General rule #1, #2, & Protest Rules.
   - A. animal unruly & could not be restrained by the exhibitor properly.
   - B. animal did not meet the proper weight range
   - C. animal was not validated properly
   - D. animal was not checked-in at the proper time- or in the proper manner.
   - E. animal is sick or in poor conformation and unfit for exhibition as a show animal

F. animal found with illegal chemical and/or improper withdrawal period of a chemical without practicing veterinarian approval.
G. animal fitted or groomed unethically or fitted/groomed by a custom professional fitter at the McCulloch County Junior Livestock Show.
H. animals infested with parasites, highly contagious diseases, or in violation of USDA regulations regarding diseases as determined by the Texas Animal Health Department or practicing veterinarian will be sifted and must leave the grounds immediately.
I. ANY violation of McCulloch County Show & Sale rules and regulations. If in doubt, refer to General rule #1, #2, & Protest Rules.

2. ***Weights and rules will be absolutely adhered to. There are no exceptions! Exhibitors and parents need to clearly understand this and be aware of the weights prior to the show.***

3. **UNETHICAL FITTING:**

Unethical fitting on show grounds means any attempt to alter the natural appearance, conformation, musculature or weight of an animal by any unnatural means. Animals showing any signs of being unethically fitted will be disqualified. Examples of unethical fitting include, but are not limited to the following:

A. Application of any substance to any part of the animal's body, unless specifically allowed in the department rules of that entry
B. Use of injection
C. Draining of fluids
D. Bruising
E. Feeding of material not conducive to the health of the animal, safety of food or marketability of its carcass
F. Surgical alterations
G. Artificially filling animals by stomach pumping or airing injections

SHOW JUDGE & SHOW RING

1. The show's judges, classifiers, showmanship judges or committees will be selected by the board annually. Species chairman should be prepared to offer a list of nominee "judges" for Board review & approval. The Board must approve all judges and classifiers, and their fees.

2 Judges, classifiers, and/or sifters decision are absolutely FINAL.

3 If any exhibitor, in any way, whether in person, or by agent or servants, interferes with the judges during their adjudication, or show any disrespect to them, or the show ... the show officials may demand a proper apology from such exhibitor, or the Show may exclude him or her from competition and from the ring ... and may also withhold from such exhibitor any premiums that may have been awarded.

4. There must be two complete sets of official placings kept by the specie committee and turned in to the show secretary immediately following the completion of their specie show.

SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES

1 Showmanship for each specie will be an "*OPEN*" event and voluntary for any exhibitor to show or not to show.

2. Separate showmanship classes for Swine, Sheep, Cattle, Rabbits, Angora Goats, & Meat Goats will follow the last class of each species. (Example: Swine showmanship classes will follow the conclusion of the last class of hogs)

3. Each exhibitor entering showmanship must be the owner of the animal as officially entered in the show. Exhibitors must wear their assigned contestant number (when numbers are used) in showmanship

4. Classes will be divided by the exhibitor's age as of the day of the show ... Little Britches (8^{th} and under and not showing in that species) ... Junior Class (13 and under)... Senior Class (14 and over) Classes may be sub-divided by the species committee if/when necessary.

WORKDAYS

1. The Board with guidance from the specie committees will set and announce workdays.

2. Each exhibitor (or "substituted" parent) must work at least 4 hours during assigned workdays to help prepare the county facilities prior to and/or after the show. It will be the responsibility of each exhibitor (parent) to sign the workday registration sheet when they work.

3. ***THERE ARE NO EXCUSES*** ... Exhibitors not fulfilling their 4 hour responsibility, will have $50 dollars withheld from their county premium money. This money will be utilized to fund future improvements as a reward to exhibitors that did work. **An exhibitor that worked but <u>did not</u> exhibit an animal in the show is not eligible for any compensation from the association.**

PREMIUM AWARDS

1. Class placing monies will be awarded to exhibitors according to their animal's placing in class. A class placing/monies chart will be determined by show officials and posted prior to judging.

2. Entry fee money shall be used to finance awards and prize monies.

3. Belt buckles will be awarded to the following winners:
   Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Overall
   Jr & Sr Showmanship winners
   Rosettes will be awarded to the following winners:
   Breed Champions - Rosette
   Reserve Breed Champions - Rosette
   Class placing - ribbons & prize money

4. Any animal sifted will not receive any premiums or any refund. **(*Refer to Workdays rule #3)***

PREMIUM SALE

1. A PREMIUM SALE will be held for qualified exhibitors. All animals will remain the property of the exhibitor following the show and sale, with NO CHANGE (loss) of ownership. The Sales Committee, Board and/or Association WILL NOT make any arrangements to secure bids, market, and/or transport animals for exhibitors that plan to sell ownership of their animals.

2. Board and/or Association WILL attempt to establish reasonable incentive premium auction "base" bids, graduated according to the sale order.

3. The Association reserves the right to withhold 5% of all collected monies to cover costs & expenses if deemed necessary.

4. Each exhibitor may sell one (1) animal in the premium sale....*UNLESS*... the exhibitor has at least two overall Grand Champions or Reserve Grand Champions. Only a maximum of 2 animals will then be sold. EXAMPLE: Exhibitor must have two of the following - Grand or Reserve Grand Champion market steer, heifer, market hog, breeding gilt, lamb, breeding ewe, meat goat, angora goat and/or rabbit.

   Grand Champion is defined as ... a division/breed champion that competed against another division/breed champion within a department. There WILL NOT BE a Grand Champion within a department that has a single one class division/breed champion ... in other words, you need two (2) division/breed champions before you can select a "Grand Champion". If there is only 1 class of any specie market animals, this will be reviewed by the Board when the need arises.

5. The exhibitor's highest placing animal (that the sale committee determines might gross the most money) will be the designated premium animal and placed in the Premium Sale. ***EXCEPTION ...*** *The exhibitor/parent may request to the sale committee a different eligible animal ... the request must be made within 30 minutes following the conclusion of the judging of the last show class.*

6. The **PREMIUM SALE ORDER** will be sorted from highest to lowest placing animals. When two or more animals have the same placing, the sale order will be sorted first by DEPARTMENT in the following order ((Steers, Heifers, Mk. Hogs, Br. Gilts, Lamb, Br. Sheep, Meat Goats, Br. Meat Goats, Angora Goats, Rabbits)...then by show order shown by DIVISION with a department, then by show order shown by CLASS within a division.

7. No Buyer gifts are allowed to be presented by the exhibitor.

PREMIUM SALE BUYERS AND OTHER CONTRIBUTORS

1. **PLATINUM** (#1 top buyer) and **TOP 10 BUYERS** (next 10 top buyers)...Proceeds pledged at the Premium Sale by buyers through "winning sale bids", and/or 'show sponsorships' pledged prior to the start of the Premium Sale...will be used to determine the top buyers of the premium sale. All pledges must be paid in full within 60 days following the premium sale. *Other funds generated from 'add-on' monies, bake sale, donated items, and/or fund raising projects (raffle, concession, suppers, etc) WILL NOT be utilized in the determination of the top buyers at the sale.*

2. **SHOW SPONSORSHIPS-GOLD, SILVER, BRONZE AND SPONSORS**...Proceeds received from pledged sponsorships, awards, premium sale winning bids, "add-on" monies, bake sale, and/or board approved donated items will be included in the sponsor's total contributions to determine the level of sponsorship earned by the individual, business, etc. *Other fund raising projects (raffle, concession, supper, etc.) will not be included without board approval.*

3. **ADD ON MONIES** given by individuals or businesses must be declared to the Association at the McCulloch County Extension Office within seven (7) working days following the show. The donor can designate the exhibitors to receive their "add on monies". All "add on monies" handled by the Association will be subject to the same regulations as Premium Sale, Rule 3.

PREMIUM CHECKS

1. The total premiums that exhibitors receive will be the sum of their premium sale bid on their animals, add-on funds, the "association base" adjustment, minus any or all monies withheld for rule infractions/violations. Any adjusting leveling and/or graduation of premium prices bid on animals must be approved by the sales committee and the Board.

2. MONIES WILL BE WITHHELD from **exhibitors** premium checks and utilized for facilities improvements for the following infractions:
   a) Missing Assigned Workdays ($50) @ workday rule 2.
   b) Failure to Remove Soiled Hay / Trash / Feed ($25) @ general rule 7.
   c) Failure to return assigned "Fund Raising" monies/tickets/etc. at the appropriate time/place... the value of the tickets/monies/etc. not returned will be deducted from the exhibitors premium check. @ general rule 11.
   d) Failure to clean-up assigned pens at the Livestock Feeding Pens before March 31. *(Refer to Feeding Pen Lease Agreement*)
   e) Failure to abide by the rules - see General Rules

3. The Association will NOT RELEASE funds until collections can offset premium checks. Premium monies will be issued and released to the CEA or VO-Ag teachers "As soon as possible" following the show. The CEA or VO-Ag Teacher will then distribute the premium monies to the exhibitors under their supervision after completion of the following guidelines.
   a. Buyer "thank you" letter written by the exhibitor (with proof of mailing to the CEA or VO-Ag teacher)
   b. A completed project expense & income report form (turned in to the CEA or VO-Ag teacher)
   c. Exhibitor will FORFEIT any and all rights to receive premium monies for the following major infractions: To seek rule exemption, refer to page 1, PROTESTS, GRIEVANCES, RULE EXEMPTIONS, rule 3.
      1) **REMOVAL of show animals prior to show's official release of animals**...No animals are allowed to leave the show ground while any species show is in progress. Exhibitors may remove animals (that have finished showing) after the completion of the final class/show each day and prior to the start of the first class/show the next day.
      2) **FAILURE to have an official photograph during the show...**OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHS ARE REQUIRED for each exhibitor to be present at the designated place and time with their 'chosen or highest placing' premium sale animal for their official show photograph. The official photograph becomes the property of the Association to be used at the discretion of the Association board to promote the exhibitors' achievements at the premium sale, buyers businesses, media publicity and association's fund raising or promotional functions.

The following official photographs **EXCEPTIONS** will be considered for approval/disapproval by the board. Exhibitor seeking an exemption must present their request in writing to the show president prior to the end of their show.
1) Rule exemption due to a surmounting situation that will prevent exhibitor from filling their photograph responsibilities.
2) Exhibitor's choice to revoke the association photograph rights.

3) **FAILURE** to be present to sell their animal at the premium sale...Exhibitors or an approved designee (see substitution rule) must be on hand to sell their animal. All animals will be sold in their assigned order. If not present at the assigned order/time, exhibitor will forfeit their sale position and will be sold at the end of the sale. If exhibitor is not present at the sale of the final animal in the premium sale, the exhibitor forfeits their premiums.

4) Premium checks must be cashed within 90 days following the issue date (to supervisors), or the premium check will become NULL AND VOID.

ANGORA GOAT DEPARTMENT

Commercial & Registered

No weight limit; Shearing date after July 31 of prior year

1 All goats must be owned and on feed by the designated validation date (Oct) and must be validated by the species committee and the advisors to be eligible to show. There must be four (4) or more goats validated (Oct) in a designated class to have an Angora Goat Show.

2 Exhibitors may enter two (2) goats per class with a maximum of four (4) goats. Only Does and Billies can be shown. Wethers will be shown in the market goat department.

3. Angora goats will be divided into two (2) designated classes as listed. The Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Goat will be selected from the Champion & Reserve Champion Doe Angora Goat and Champion & Reserve Champion Billy Angora Goat.

	Breed Champion	Grand Champions
a) Doe Kid	Champ & Res Champ Doe Kid	
		Grand & Res Grand Champ Angora Goat
b) Billy Kid	Champ & Res Champ Billy Kid	

4. Entries must have a visible earmark and/or a numbered identification tag and a tattoo. Angora goats must have 2 front baby milk teeth with no permanent teeth showing at show check-in to be eligible.

5. Angora goats will be checked, classed and sifted at check-in. Goats must have 2 front baby milk teeth with no permanent teeth showing at show check-in to be eligible. Each exhibitor must have a signed certificate from the original owner that each goat was shorn after July 31 of the prior year.

6. All angora goats must arrive groomed and ready for show. Each exhibitor will be responsible to groom their animal. The following are the only people allowed to clip/fit/groom or care for animals at the McCulloch County Junior Livestock Show.

A. exhibitors
B. exhibitors' parents/guardian/siblings
C. other Jr. Exhibitors from McCulloch County
D. certified McCulloch County Adult Leaders (current adult leader form and background check required)
E. Advisors

Following check in, all animals can be washed, toweled, brushed, and/or blown with electric blowers. No clipping, trimming, blocking, and/or altering hair/wool length is allowed after arrival and during the show No oil, dressing, or grooming materials other than water are allowed on hair goats or their hair.

RABBIT DEPARTMENT

Breeding Show; Doe - Buck divisions

Junior Doe, Junior Buck, Senior Doe, Senior Buck

1. There must be at least 4 breeding rabbits validated to have a Rabbit Show. Rabbits must be owned by the designated validation date (Oct) and must be validated by the specie committee and the advisors to be eligible to show. All rabbits must have a legible ear tattoo at validation. Only breeding does and bucks can be shown, and will be shown separately. All breeds within a class will show against one another. All Rabbits can only be shown one time at the County Show.

2. Each exhibitor may show 2 rabbits per class, having a maximum of 8 rabbits. Any rabbit sold in the premium sale cannot sell again in the premium sale. See Rule 4 & 5 under Entering & Validation.

3. Breeding rabbits will be divided into four (4) possible "designated" classes as listed. Four (4) or more rabbits must be declared and validated in the "designated" class before a class will be held/conducted. All rabbits that fail to have a class declared because of lack of four (4), will be shown in an *alternative* class or a *designated* class the specie committee deemed suitable ie: Mixed Breeding Rabbits.

a) Junior Doe		
b) Junior Buck	Champion & Res Champ Doe	
c) Senior Doe		Grand & Res. Grand Breeding Rabbit
d) Senior Buck	Champion & Res Champ Buck	

4. Junior rabbits - six (6) months and under; Senior rabbits - six (6) months over of age & older. Rabbits need to be at least 8 to 10 weeks of age by validation. Each exhibitor needs to have signed affidavit declaring correct age of rabbit at validation and check-in and must be signed by the original breeder with ID/tattoo.

5. All rabbits must arrive groomed and ready for show. Each exhibitor will be responsible to groom their animal. The following are the only people allowed to clip/fit/groom or care for animals at the McCulloch County Junior Livestock Show.
   A. exhibitors
   B. exhibitors' parents/guardian/siblings
   C. other Jr. Exhibitors from McCulloch County
   D. certified McCulloch County Adult Leaders (current adult leader form and background check required)
   E. Advisors

   Following check in, all animals can be washed, toweled, brushed, and/or blown with electric blowers. No clipping, trimming, blocking, and/or altering hair/wool length is allowed after arrival and during the show.

Fryer Rabbits

Maximum weight of 5 lbs.

1. There must be at least 4 Fryer rabbits validated to have a Fryer Rabbit Show. Rabbits must be owned by the designated validation date and must be validated (tattooed) by the specie committee and the advisors to be eligible to show. All rabbits will be tattooed at validation. Only fryer rabbits can be shown. All Rabbits can only be shown one time at the County Show.
2. Fryer rabbits will be divided into two weight divisions with a minimum of 4 per division. Weight breaks for divisions will be determined at time of check in.
3. At validation each rabbit must be designated fryer or breeding at that time.
4. Limit of two fryer rabbits per exhibitor.
5. All rabbits must arrive groomed and ready for show. Each exhibitor will be responsible to groom their animal. The following are the only people allowed to clip/fit/groom or care for animals at the McCulloch County Junior Livestock Show.
   A. exhibitors
   B. exhibitors' parents/guardian/siblings
   C. other Jr. Exhibitors from McCulloch County
   D. certified McCulloch County Adult Leaders (current adult leader form and background check required)
   E. Advisors

   Following check in, all animals can be washed, toweled, brushed, and/or blown with electric blowers. No clipping, trimming, blocking, and/or altering hair/wool length is allowed after arrival and during the show.

MARKET HOG DEPARTMENT

Breed Divisions - Duroc, Hampshire, York, OPB, Crosses

140 lb - 280 lb weight range (plus or minus 5 lbs.)

1. Barrows only are allowed.
2. All barrows must be owned by the designated county validation date (mid Nov or earlier) All barrows will be validated (mid Nov) on set validation date by the specie validation committee and/or advisors. State validated and county validated hogs will be eligible for the county show provided they are validated by or before county validation. Barrows must meet breed classification guidelines at validation and also at check-in.
3. Each exhibitor may enter two (2) barrows per breed and may exhibit a maximum number of eight (8) barrows.
4. The OPB division will be divided into a White OPB and a Black OPB division when 8 or more OPB barrows can be divided after classification and check-in into 2 separate division with 4 or more hogs in each division thus making 2 separate divisions.
5. The following divisions will be shown (no limitation on numbers). There must be 8 or more market hogs in a breed division before they can be broke into weight classes of 4 or more. The Grand and Res. Grand Champion will be determined from the division breed champions.
   a) Duroc
   b) Hampshire
   c) York
   d) OPB (possibly a White OPB Champ & a Black OPB champ)
   e) Crosses
6. Barrows will be weighed, classified and sifted during check-in. All barrows must arrive at the show trimmed/clipped and ready for show. Each exhibitor will be responsible to groom their animal. The following are the only people allowed to clip/fit/groom or care for animals at the McCulloch County Junior Livestock Show.
   A. exhibitors
   B. exhibitors' parents/guardian/siblings
   C. other Jr. Exhibitors from McCulloch County
   D. certified McCulloch County Adult Leaders (current adult leader form and background check required)
   E. Advisors

   Following check in, all animals can be washed, toweled, brushed, and/or blown with electric blowers. No clipping, trimming, blocking, and/or altering hair/wool length is allowed after arrival and during the show.

BREEDING GILT DEPARTMENT

Department Breed Divisions -Duroc, Hamp, York, OPB, Crosses

Minimum Wt. 170 lbs - No maximum (plus or minus 5 lbs)

1. Only gilts are allowed, purebred and crossbred, born July 1 thru Sept. 30 of the current year.
2. Each exhibitor may enter a maximum of 4 gilts.
3. Breeding gilts will be weighed, classified at check in.
4. The OPB division will be divided into a White OPB and a Black OPB division when 8 or more OPB barrows can be divided after classification and check-in into 2 separate divisions with 4 or more hogs in each division thus making 2 separate divisions.
5. The following divisions will be shown (no limitation on numbers). There must be 8 or more gilts in a breed division before they can be broke into weight classes of 4 or more. The Grand and Res. Grand Champion will be determined from the division breed champions.
   a) Duroc
   b) Hampshire
   c) York
   d) OPB (possibly a White OPB Champ & a Black OPB champ)
   e) Crosses
6. Breeding gilts must be owned by the designated county validation date (mid Nov. or earlier) and must be validated on or before the set date by the specie validation committee to be eligible.
7. There must be 8 or more gilts classified and checked into a breed division before they can be broke into weight classes of 4 or more.
8 Breeding gilts must arrive at the show trimmed/clipped and ready for show. Each exhibitor will be responsible to groom their animal. The following are the only people allowed to clip/fit/groom or care for animals at the McCulloch County Junior Livestock Show.
   A. exhibitors
   B. exhibitors' parents/guardian/siblings
   C. other Jr. Exhibitors from McCulloch County
   D. certified McCulloch County Adult Leaders (current adult leader form and background check required)
   E. Advisors

   Following check in, all animals can be washed, toweled, brushed, and/or blown with electric blowers. No clipping, trimming, blocking, and/or altering hair/wool length is allowed after arrival and during the show

MARKET LAMB DEPARTMENT

Breed Division - Finewool, Finewool Crosses, Medium Wools, Southdowns, Hair

90 lb min. weight limit except Southdown & Hair (80 lbs) (plus or minus 2 lbs)

1. All market lambs must be owned by the designated validation date (Oct) and must be validated by the specie committee and the advisors to be eligible to show. Ewe lambs must be declared at validation as market or breeding, and shown accordingly.
2. Each exhibitor is allowed to exhibit 3 lambs per breed division for a total of 8 lambs. Both ewe lambs and wethers may be shown.
3. The following divisions will be shown:
   a) Finewool (Rambouillet, Delaine, or their cross)
   b) Finewool Crosses (F1 cross of Finewool & Medium wool breeds)
   c) Medium Wool (breeds of medium wool character, or their crosses with the exception of Southdown)
   d) Southdown (Southdown)
   e) Hair Sheep (Dorper, White Dorper, Barbadoe, St. Croix, Katahdin, Royal-White or a cross between these hair breeds.)
4. There must be 8 or more lambs in a breed division before they can be broke into weight classes of 4 or more.
5. All market lambs will be weighed, classified and sifted during check-in. Any lamb that classes out will be placed in the most suitable class by the classifier. Refer to Check-in Rule 4 regarding Scrapies.
6. All market lambs must be EVENLY shorn ½" or less wool length (no blocking) above the hock prior to SHOW ARRIVAL.
7. All market lambs must arrive groomed and ready for show. Each exhibitor will be responsible to groom their animal. The following are the only people allowed to clip/fit/groom or care for animals at the McCulloch County Junior Livestock Show.
   A. exhibitors
   B. exhibitors' parents/guardian/siblings
   C. other Jr. Exhibitors from McCulloch County
   D. certified McCulloch County Adult Leaders (current adult leader form and background check required)
   E. Advisors

   Following check in, all animals can be washed, toweled, brushed, and/or blown with electric blowers. No clipping, trimming, blocking, and/or altering hair/wool length is allowed after arrival and during the show

BREEDING EWE DEPARTMENT

Breed Divisions - Finewool, Medium Wool, Southdown, Hair

90 lbs min. weight (plus or minus 2 lbs)

1. There must be a least four (4) breeding ewe lambs validated to have a Breeding Ewe Department, and there must be at least four (4) ewe lambs validated within a breed division to have a breed division (see rule 4 for breeds):otherwise they will show as market.
2. Ewe lambs must be owned and on feed by the designated validation date (Oct) and must be validated by the specie committee and advisors to be eligible to show. Ewe lambs must be declared at validation as breeding or market and shown accordingly.

3. Each exhibitor is allowed to enter two (2) ewe lambs per Division or a maximum of four (4) total.
4. Ewe divisions that have 4 ewe lambs (of the same division validated) the possible divisions (see market lamb breed definition @rule 3) are:
   a) Finewool (Rambouillet, Delaine, or their cross)
   b) Medium Wool (breeds of medium wool character, or their crosses with the exception of Southdown)
   c) Southdown (Southdown only)
   d) Hair (Dorper, White Dorper, Barbadoe, St. Croix, Katahdin, Royal-White)
5. Breeding ewes must be purebred; however, they can be registered or commercial. Crossbred ewes must show as market. Ewe lambs will be classified into the breed division the classifier deems most suitable.
6. There must be 8 or more per breed division before they can be divided into classes of four (4) or more.
7. Breeding ewe lambs will be weighed, classified, and sifted at show check-in. All ewe lambs must be in show condition, (Wool & Conformation), or they can be sifted. All breeding ewe lambs showing evidence of permanent teeth at check-in will be sifted. No yearlings or older will be shown. Refer to check-in rule 4 regarding Scrapies.
8. All sheep must arrive trimmed/clipped and ready for show.
   a) Finewool ewes must be slick shorn after October 1 and prior to the validation.
   b) Medium Wool, Southdown and Hair Sheep ewes must be EVENLY shorn 1/2"or less wool length (no blocking) above the hock prior to SHOW ARRIVAL.
9. Each exhibitor will be responsible to groom their animal. The following are the only people allowed to clip/fit/groom or care for animals at the McCulloch County Junior Livestock Show.
   A. exhibitors
   B. exhibitors' parents/guardian/siblings
   C. other Jr. Exhibitors from McCulloch County
   D. certified McCulloch County Adult Leaders (current adult leader form and background check required)
   E. Advisors

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MARKET GOAT DEPARTMENT

Shorn slick prior to arrival

Weight Division Format

55 lb to 115 lb weight range (plus or minus 2 lbs)

1. Market goats must be owned and on feed by the designated validation date (Oct) and must be validated by the specie committee and the advisors to be eligible to show. Does must be declared at validation as market or breeding.
2. Each exhibitor is allowed to enter three (3) meat goats. Wethers or does may be shown. Any breed of goat is eligible.
3. Market goats will be divided by weight. There must be at least four (4) goats per class.
4. For every 3 or more weight classes, there will be a division champion and a reserve division champion goat selected (maximum of 9 weight classes divided into no more than 3 divisions). The Grand and Res. Grand Breeding meat goat will be selected from the Division Champions.
5. Market goats will be weighed, and sifted at check-in. Horns must be tipped blunt or dehorned Refer to Check-in Rule 4 regarding Scrapies.
6. Market goats must be EVENLY shorn above the hocks (uniformly 1/4" hair or less, excluding tail switch...no blocking) prior to show arrival & check-in.
7. All market goats must arrive groomed and ready for show. Each exhibitor will be responsible to groom their animal. The following are the only people allowed to clip/fit/groom or care for animals at the McCulloch County Junior Livestock Show.
   A. exhibitors
   B. exhibitors' parents/guardian/siblings
   C. other Jr. Exhibitors from McCulloch County
   D. certified McCulloch County Adult Leaders (current adult leader form and background check required)
   E. Advisors

   Following check in, all animals can be washed, toweled, brushed, and/or blown with electric blowers. No clipping, trimming, blocking, and/or altering hair/wool length is allowed after arrival and during the show
8. Judge will declare whether pushing or bracing of the goat will be allowed during judging and announced prior to the start of the first class.

BREEDING MEAT GOAT DEPARTMENT

Weight Division Format

60 lb min. weight (plus or minus 2 lbs)

1. Breeding meat goats must be owned and on feed by the designated validation date (Oct) and must be validated by the specie committee and the advisors to be eligible to show. Does must be declared at validation as market or breeding and shown accordingly. NO BILLIES ALLOWED.
2. Each exhibitor is allowed to enter three (3) doe meat goats. Breeding meat goats may be of any meat goat breed, meat goat crossbreeds, or a cross with a meat goat breed.
3. Breeding goats will be divided by weight. To be able to divide into weight classes, there must be eight (8) or more. There must be at least four (4) goats per class.
4. For every 3 or more weight classes, there will be "division" breed champion and reserve champion goats selected (maximum 9 weight classes divided into no more than 3 divisions). The Grand and Res. Grand breeding meat goat will be selected from the Division Champions.
5. Breeding meat goats will be weighed, classified, and sifted at check-in. Horns must be tipped blunt or dehorned, and goats must have 2 front baby milk teeth with no permanent teeth showing at show check-in to be eligible. Refer to Check-in Rule 4 regarding Scrapies.
6. It is the exhibitor's **OPTION** to shear, clip, block, and/or trim breeding meat goats prior to arrival at the show.
7. All Breeding meat goats must arrive groomed and ready for show. Each exhibitor will be responsible to groom their animal. The

following are the only people allowed to clip/fit/groom or care for animals at the McCulloch County Junior Livestock Show.

A. exhibitors
B. exhibitors' parents/guardian/siblings
C. other Jr. Exhibitors from McCulloch County
D. certified McCulloch County Adult Leaders (current adult leader form and background check required)
E. Advisors

Following check in, all animals can be washed, toweled, brushed, and/or blown with electric blowers. No clipping, trimming, blocking, and/or altering hair/wool length is allowed after arrival and during the show.

8. Judge will declare whether pushing/bracing of the goat will be allowed during show and announced prior to the first class. Exhibitors are encouraged to use halter or neck chains in the show.

MARKET CATTLE DEPARTMENT

Division Format - American, British Division, AOB (All Other Breeds)
900 lb min. weigh limit

1. All market cattle must be owned by the designated validation date ...State Validated Steers - June 30 -County only steers and heifers shown as market- either June 30 or October at which time they must be validated by the specie committee and advisors to be eligible to show. Steers being shown in other Texas shows must be state validated in June. All market cattle must be dehorned adequately not to risk any harm to animals or people.
2. Each exhibitor may enter a maximum of three (3) market cattle. The market cattle can either be steers or heifers. Heifers must be declared as market at validation.
3. The following divisions will be shown: (a) **American Breeds** (b) **British Breeds** c) **AOB "All Other Breeds**"
4. To divide a division into wt. classes, there must be 5 animals or more. It is *recommended* that whenever possible there be at least two (2) calves in each class.
5. All market cattle can have hair, blow and go and/or show slick. Market cattle will be weighed, classified, and sifted during the show's check in. Cattle that do not fit into a prescribed division will be placed into the division that the classifier deems most suitable. *Refer to General Rules regarding "check-in" regarding unruly cattle, etc.*
6. All animals requiring shearing/grooming must be shorn or clipped (refer to department rules for hair/wool regulations) prior to show arrival & check-in. Each exhibitor will be responsible to groom their animal. The following are the only people allowed to clip/fit/groom or care for animals at the McCulloch County Junior Livestock Show.

A. exhibitors
B. exhibitors' parents/guardian/siblings
C. other Jr. Exhibitors from McCulloch County
D. certified McCulloch County Adult Leaders (current adult leader form and background check required)
E. Advisors

Following check in, all animals can be washed, toweled, brushed, and/or blown with electric blowers. Use of trim chutes allowed, no alterations or no extensions, in natural color form, no adhesives, no paint, no clipping, trimming, blocking, and/or altering hair/wool length is allowed upon arrival of show grounds. (Exception: Cattle - hoof trimming is allowed).

7. No adhesives or alterations of the color of the cattle allowed.

BREEDING HEIFER DEPARTMENT

Division Format - American, British , AOB (All Other Breeds)
Age limit - 7 months to 33 months as of January 1 the year of the show

1. There must be at least four (4) heifers validated by October as breeding heifers to have a BREEDING HEIFER DEPARTMENT. If not ...then they can be shown as market cattle. All heifers must be owned by the designated validation date (Oct) and must be validated by the specie committee and the advisors to be eligible to show. Heifers must have a permanent ID such as a tattoo or brand to be validated. To verify the date of birth and breed type of a heifer, the exhibitor must turn in a "copy" (approved by the validation committee) of the heifer registration paper ... or ... the "original" breeder documentation with the heifer's breed, ID date of birth, and breeder signature. Heifers can only be shown one time at the County Show.
2. Each exhibitor may enter a maximum of three (3) heifers. Commercial and/or registered heifers, between 7 to 36 months old as of March 1 the year of the show, will be shown by date of birth and breed type/division. Cow/calf pairs are allowed to be shown. Any heifer that was previously sold in the premium sale cannot sell again in the premium sale. *See Rule 4 & 5 under Entering & Validation.*
3. All commercial heifers must be dehorned. All cattle must be dehorned adequately not to risk any danger or harm to animals or people. *Refer to General Rules. (Exception: where breed association allows horns in their state show - example, Horned Herefords*)
4. The following breed divisions will be shown when sufficient numbers justify a breed division.

a) **American Breeds** b) **British Breeds** c) **AOB - All other Breeds**

5. To divide the department into breed divisions, there must be at least 2 heifers validated within that division, or the breed division will be shown in the AOB division. To divide a "breed division" into age classes, there must be five (5) or more heifers within that breed division. It is recommended that whenever possible there be at least two (2) heifers in each class.
6. Breeding heifers without approved registration papers must also be presented to the official show classifier at check-in to determine the breed type. Commercial cattle that do not fit into the entered or declared breed division will be placed into the breed division that the classifier deems most suitable. *Refer to General Rules* regarding "check-in" regarding unruly cattle, etc.
7. All animals requiring shearing/grooming must be shorn or clipped (refer to department rules for hair/wool regulations) prior to show arrival & check-in. Each exhibitor will be responsible to groom their animal. The following are the only people allowed to clip/fit/groom or care for animals at the McCulloch County Junior Livestock Show.

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Following check in, all animals can be washed, toweled, brushed, and/or blown with electric blowers. No clipping, trimming, blocking, and/or altering hair/wool length is allowed after arrival and during the show
(Exception: Cattle -hoof trimming allowed).

8. All cattle must arrive trimmed/clipped/ and ready for show. Following check in, all animals can be washed, toweled, brushed, and/or blown with electric blowers. No clipping, trimming, blocking, and/or altering hair/wool length is allowed after arrival and during the show. No adhesives or alterations of the color of the cattle allowed.