

Market Steer Division

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1. All steers must have been validated on the validation date that is set by the validation committee, with a legible nose print, ear tag, ear tattoo, and completed Validation Form. Validation tags must be in steers' ear prior to arriving on show grounds. Steers without an official Texas Steer Validation will be ineligible to show.
2. Each exhibitor must be a bona fide member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter in Starr County, and enrolled in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H club by November 1st, thru the Show period.
3. Exhibitors must be in the third grade or at least nine years old, but under 20 years of age as of January 1st, of the show year.
4. All steers must be a bona fide property of the exhibitor and continuously cared for by the exhibitor from validation date thru the Show date, under the supervision of AST, CEA or 4-H Club manager.
5. An exhibitor may enter only one steer.
6. Any animal, which is found to have been entered in another show under a different exhibitor's name, other than the name entered in this Show, will be declared ineligible. Any animal that has gone through the auction at another show is ineligible for this Show. Market Steers found to have evidence of more than one validation, will be ineligible to show unless the proper Change of Ownership Forms are recorded, reflecting why there is evidence of more than one validation and that the previous validation(s) have been canceled.
7. Exhibitors must declare animal weight at the time they Sift and Classify. The weight listed on the Weight Card will become that animal's official declared weight to be used for weigh back and selling purposes. Exhibitors must complete the Weight Card to include declared weight and state validation tag number.
8. Any steer showing more than normal fill at weighing time will be sifted by Show Officials.
9. The act of artificially filling animals internally by stomach pumping, is prohibited and will result in disqualification of the animal.
10. Steers must meet the following requirements or be sifted:
 - a. Must weigh at least 1,050 pounds. There will be no top weight limit.
 - b. Must be creditable from standpoints of types, quality finish and breed characteristics.
 - c. Must be free of grub or grub damage.
 - d. Must be dehorned and show no secondary horn growth.

- e. Must be trained to lead and handle properly. Nose leads will be permitted during sifting. Any steer that is wild or requires handling by more than one person at weighing and sifting may be sifted. During the show such animals may be removed from the ring.
 - f. All steers must be shorn prior to arrival at the Show grounds. Hair must not exceed $\frac{1}{4}$ inch on any location of the body excluding the tail switch.
11. No change of the major color pattern of a steer by painting or dying will be allowed. Any steer groomed with material that allows color to come off the steer will not be allowed in the Show.
 12. Decision of Official Veterinarian, classifier and/or sifter will be final and no protests will be considered by the Show Management.
 13. Any steer may be designated for re-weight at any time prior to the steer show or determined by the Steer Superintendent. Any steer weighing more than 5% above his initial official show weight will become ineligible for any award or placing.
 14. No one but exhibitors and Show Officials will be allowed in the show ring or on the Arena Director's stand during sifting and judging. There is to be no feeding, drenching or watering in the arena during the judging.
 15. Steers *must* remain in their assigned stalls except during sifting and judging and being prepared for judging.
 16. After sifting and weighing, steers will be divided by the following breeds: ABC (American Breeds & Crossbreeds) and AOB (All other Breeds).
 17. Exhibitors must feed and care for their steer during the entire Show until they are loaded out.
 18. First place steers in each breed class will compete for Breed Champion, second place winner in class which produced the Breed Champion will compete with remaining first place steers of the breed for Reserve Breed Champion.
 19. The Steer Committee may collect a hair and/or blood sample from any steer entered in the Show for the purpose of conducting a DNA analysis. Any steer not having a positive match from the DNA analysis of this hair sample compared to the DNA analysis of the hair sample taken from it at the time of enrollment in the validation program will be disqualified.

STEER CLASSES

ABC STEERS (AMERICAN BREEDS AND CROSSES)

This Class will encompass the American Breeds and their Crosses such as Brahman, Brahmousin, Red Brangus, Black Brangus, Charbray, and Beefmaster.

AOB STEERS (ALL OTHER BREEDS)

This Class will encompass those steers that have European and British bloodlines and all crosses between them with no visible evidence of Brahman blood allowed.

SCHEUDLE OF PREMIUM AWARDS

For those who choose not to sell their project, a premium will be given based on class placing:

<u>PLACING</u>	<u>PREMIUM</u>
1	\$100
2	\$90
3	\$80
4	\$70
5	\$60
6	\$50
7	\$40

STEER DIVISION SHOWMANSHIP

All exhibitors of steers are eligible to compete. Exhibitors will be divided into two age groups. Exhibitors must show his or her own steer.

14 year old and over

13 years of age and under

As of day of contest

Awards will be made on the basis of showmanship, neatness of exhibitor, show condition and behavior of animal.