

MARKET STEER DIVISION

Arrival Time – Saturday, April 1st - 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Weigh-in Time – Saturday, April 1st - 11:30 a.m. - called by Breeds in order of show

Judging Date – Tuesday, April 4th - 4:00 p.m.

1. This division is subject to the General Rules and these Division Rules.
2. All Market Steers to be entered and eligible to show must be the property of the exhibitor, on feed and under the daily care of the exhibitor by September 13, 2016. Each exhibitor can nose print and register two (2) animals, but may only show one. Exhibitor must present a LEGIBLE color photograph of himself and the Steer at the time of registration. **No late pictures will be accepted.** Registration will be held on September 13, 2016 from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Steers will be nose printed by Montgomery County Steer Validation Committee. DNA samples will be collected for positive identification. Exhibitors should be present. A parent or guardian MUST be present in order to sign tag-in cards and hair sample envelope. If an exhibitor requires a General Exception Form (refer to Page 2), it will be due on the date/time of tag-in of animal exhibitor is showing. Each application will be reviewed for compliance.
3. All Steers must have official tag on at time of weigh-in at the Fair. If you should lose your tag, contact the Fair Office at (936) 760-3631.
4. Determination of steer's classification is to be based upon predominant breed characteristics. **Final classification will be conducted by a classifier or classification committee at the date of registration.**
5. Steers must be dehorned, otherwise they will not be accepted in the Show.
6. Any Steer showing live testicular tissue will be sifted.
7. Steers must weigh a minimum of 900 lbs. when weighed in. Steers will be weighed one time only and that weight will be the official weight.
8. Following completion of placing, the judge will place the sale order of the steers.
9. Steers selected for sale order will be branded on the right jaw by show officials at time of selection of sale order.
10. Champion and Reserve Champion Steer of each breed classification shall return to the judging arena for selection of the grand and reserve champion of the show.
11. Unethical fitting is prohibited including, but not limited to the following:
 - a) No change of the natural color pattern of the animal by painting or dyeing will be allowed.
 - b) Any grooming material that allows color to come off from any animal will not be allowed at the show.
 - c) The addition of any dust, hair or hair like substances, including, but not limited to false tail heads and false polls. False tail switches are allowed.
 - d) The cutting, tearing or gluing of the hide or underneath the hide or removal of tissue in an attempt to alter the shape of the animal.
 - e) The injection of any natural or synthetic air or gas, solid or liquid under the hide to alter the normal conformation.

Clipping: Prior to arrival at the Show, steers must be pre-clipped to no more than ¼” of hair on any part of the body, except the tail switch, (the tail switch being no more than 12” above the end of the cartilage of the tail) which may be ratted and balled or may be bobbed off. Only scissors or cordless clippers may be used for touch-up prior to entering the scales. Steers will be checked for hair length at the time of weigh in at the show. Steers found in violation of this rule will be eliminated and removed. The exhibitor will be eliminated from competition for the current show in the steer division. **¼” hair requirement will be strictly enforced.**

12. No bedding hay.

13. All animals must be double-tied.

14. Parents or other adults will not be allowed to assist the junior exhibitors during judging.

15. Any Breed may, at the discretion of the Division Chairman, be divided into light, medium and/or heavy classes according to weights at the Show.

16. The following is a list of Breeds and the order in which they will be judged:

BREED 1 – BRAHMAN (TO INCLUDE BRAHMAN CROSSES)

BREED 2 – ENGLISH BREEDS (TO INCLUDE ENGLISH CROSSES ONLY)

BREED 3 – EXOTICS

17. The use of drugs not approved for Steers used for human consumption will not be allowed.

18. STEERS WILL BE RELEASED IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE STEER SHOW. ALL STEERS MUST BE CHECKED OUT BY 10:00 A.M. THE FOLLOWING MORNING. **ALL SALE ANIMALS MUST BE CHECKED OUT BY 10:00 A.M. ON THURSDAY MORNING FOLLOWING THE AUCTION. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN PREMIUM MONIES BEING FORFEITED.** RELEASE FORMS WILL BE COMPLETED AND GIVEN TO THE EXHIBITOR, PARENT, AG TEACHER OR 4-H LEADER AT THE TIME OF WEIGH-IN OR WHEN THE EXHIBITOR IS GIVEN THEIR EXHIBITOR NUMBER.

19. Sale animals may be used in Livestock Judging Contest.

ENTRIES MUST BE COMPLETED BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2017 BY 5:00 P.M. WITH A \$20.00 ENTRY FEE.

JR. AND SR. SHOWMANSHIP WILL BE OPEN TO ALL EXHIBITORS WHO WISH TO PARTICIPATE. YOU PAY \$5.00 (CASH) AT THE ENTRY GATE AND THE WINNER WILL BE AWARDED ALL PROCEEDS AT THE EXIT GATE.