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Wood County Junior Livestock Market Show Association

By-Laws

ARTICLE I

The Executive Board of this organization consists of: the Agricultural Science Teachers in Wood County and the Wood County Extension Agents.

The following officials elected or appointed by the Executive Board: the General Superintendent, Assistant General Superintendent(s), Wood County Show Board treasurer, secretary and Show Category Superintendents shall be voting members of and participate in Executive Board meetings.

Board members may ask others for assistance as they see necessary. These individuals are not considered voting members.

ARTICLE II

The By-Laws and Regulations of the Show can be amended with the approval of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE III

All General and Special Animal Division Regulations will be written and approved by the Executive Board members only.

ARTICLE IV

The Executive Board will hold Awareness meeting/Public Forums as the General Superintendent deems necessary or as directed by the Executive Board. Discussion of the individual topics by other than Executive Board members may be time limited as determined by the General Superintendent.

Wood County Junior Livestock Market Show and Sale Association

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The Wood County Livestock Market Show is open to all Wood County 4-H and FFA members *provided they meet all of the following criteria.*

- 1 They are enrolled in a Wood County public, private elementary or secondary school or live in Wood County at the time of entry through show sale.
- 2 They are under the supervision of a Wood County Extension agent or Wood County Vocational Ag-Science Instructor.
- 3 They have not sold a project in any other county show in the school year.

4. **The exhibitor's project has not been exhibited or sold in another County Show, Premium Sale or Our County.**

2. Exhibitors are expected to comply with state and local school district eligibility rules for extracurricular activities. FFA advisors, County Extension Agents or 4-H Leaders are responsible for determining eligibility of students under their supervision. **If a student is not eligible according to UIL rules, they do not show or sell and their project is not allowed on show grounds.**

3. All livestock exhibits will be under the direction of the management, but the show will in no cases be responsible for any loss, damage, or personal injury that may occur.

4. All entries must be owned individually and be the legal property of the exhibitor~no lease animals will be allowed in the show. There shall be no joint ownership of animals. The animals must have been personally fed and cared for by the exhibitor. The animal must also be in the possession of the exhibitor or immediate family from the time of validation until the show. The exhibitor must show and sell his own animal. Any deviation from this policy will require Livestock Show Association Executive Board approval. A letter from the exhibitor concerned may be delivered to the Executive board through the advisor or agent 2 weeks prior to the show.

5. Diseased animals are barred entry (at all times) into the show grounds.

6. If an exhibitor has been disqualified from competition in a show or has had a premium withheld or withdrawn on the grounds of rule violations involving the misrepresentation; fraud or deception, it will not be allowed to compete.

7. All applications for entry must be made on a current official Wood County Jr.

Livestock Show entry in accordance with instructions on same, giving dept. class, class number, age, record number and all other necessary information. Incomplete or incorrect entries are invalid. A signature of a County Extension Agent or Ag-Science teacher shall be required attesting to the eligibility of the entry.

8. In all cases, the management reserves the right to reject, or accept conditionally all entries.

9. Strict adherence is paid to entry deadline dates in each division.

10. To be accepted, applications for entry must be accompanied by the correct entry fee or fees. All market animal entries must be complete with sponsor information.

11. Entry fees will not be refunded after having been accepted. All divisions will have a \$10.00 entry fee. All fees are due at the time of entry.

12. The showing of unethically fitted livestock or livestock of any ineligible age for exhibition in the class entered is prohibited.

13. All animals must be kept in the assigned stall area after being checked in and may not be removed from the grounds prior to the conclusion of the Premium Auction without a special order given by the show superintendent.

14. The decision of the judges shall be final in all classes.

15. Judging will not be delayed for animals entering the arena late.

16. All stall, pens, and exhibition places must be cleaned before 7:00 am of Show Day and trash material disposed of as directed by the Livestock Show. All exhibitors must clean their stall and pen, arena, and deposit trash at designated area before being released.

17. Animals will be placed and 1st-6th place will receive a ribbon designating their placing. Others will receive participant ribbons.

18. ANY EXHIBITOR WITH AN ANIMAL IN THE WOOD CO. JR. LIVESTOCK MARKET SHOW SALE HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF DELIVERING THEIR ANIMAL OR ANIMALS WITHIN A 40 MILE RADIUS AS DIRECTED BY HIS BUYER. THE EXHIBITOR MUST CHECK WITH THE SALE MANAGER AND BE RELEASED BY THE SAME BEFORE SELLERS OBLIGATIONS ARE FULFILLED.

19. Each exhibitor may validate, show and sell only one animal entry.

20. ALL **ELIGIBLE** ANIMALS SHOWN IN THE MARKET SHOW MUST BE SOLD! NO EXCEPTIONS! **See Rule #48** All animals put on the resale truck by the premium buyer may not be removed by the exhibitor. Resale animals are the soul property of the Resale Buyer and will be at that individual's discretion. A sale fee of \$100.00 will be charged to all animals projects sold. This fee may be offset by the sale of up to \$100.00 worth of advertising by the exhibitor. The ads sold must be turned in by the deadline as set by the ad coordinator. The Ag Mechanics sale fee may be offset by the sale of advertising.

21. Dogs, Horses or other animals not being shown will not be allowed in the livestock area, barns, or exhibit areas.

22. Failure to comply with any of the above and forgoing rules and regulations may result in the forfeiture of awards and sale eligibility at the discretion of the show committee.

23. All protests must be in a writing and accompanied by a deposit of \$100.00 which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Such protest must state plainly the cause of the complaint or appeal and must be delivered to the show management immediately after occasion for such protest. Protests will be accepted prior to judging. Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation. Depending on the basis of the protest, a decision may be withheld until a complete investigation is done. Decision of the Grievance Committee is final.

24. The Wood County Junior Livestock Show Association reserves the right to withhold sale proceeds (above market value) due to exhibitors conduct that may be considered unethical or detrimental towards the success of the Wood County Jr. Market Show.

25. No premiums will be awarded on sale day.

26. The Grievance Committee will make final decisions on any show ruling. Their decision is final. The Grievance Committee will be appointed by the General Superintendent prior to the start of the show.

27. All Exhibitors are responsible for keeping, maintaining animals that have had drugs with a withdrawal limit, and deliver animals to buyer after withdrawal time has passed.

28. No animal may be decorated (ribbons, clothes, bows, etc.) other than standard show fitting for the premium auction as determined the superintendent.

29. There shall be no FORCED watering or feeding procedures of any livestock

projects! (for example: drenches and tube feeders)

30. All sifted animals, **or animals deemed ineligible to show**, should be removed from exhibit areas immediately. **The project cannot remain on the show grounds Thursday night.** The Sifting Committee will consist of the Division Superintendents and the General Superintendent.

31. Exhibitors will be held responsible if their carcass shows positive in the blood test and/or tissue testing. A student with a condemned carcass will forfeit the floor price of that animal.

32. Checks will not be issued until after preliminary blood work is complete and every attempt will be made to have the checks available for the FFA and 4H banquets. If a carcass is condemned the floor price shall be reimbursed to the county show before the exhibitor may show a project again.

33. All animal projects must be weighed/checked in between 5:00PM and 7:30 PM on Thursday.

34. Showmanship awards will be presented to Junior and Senior Showmanship contestants. Junior showmanship class will be those exhibitors 13 years of age and under at the date of the contest. Senior Showmanship class will be those exhibitors 14 years of age and over at the date of the contest.

35. All steer, commercial beef heifer, dairy heifer, swine, lamb and goat exhibitors will turn in a Project Entry Form at validation.

36. Any exhibitor, parent or other that shows disrespect for judges, superintendents and other show officials, may be removed from the show grounds. This could result in loss of awards, money and the option of ever participating in this show again.

****ALL EXHIBITORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PRESENTING THEIR PROJECTS FOR SALE ORDER SELECTION FOLLOWING THEIR RESPECTIVE SHOW. Failure to follow this rule will forfeit their right to sell in the premium auction.**

37. All exhibitors are responsible for presenting their projects at sale location at the approved time based on the sale order. Failure to follow this rule will forfeit their right to sell in the premium auction.

38. No High School, Junior High or Elementary Students will be used as ring persons during the show. This includes handing out ribbons.

39. There will be no access to the livestock arena between 10 pm and 6 am

during show and sale except for show officials and security.

40. There will be a \$100 fee assessed to every exhibitor who is not present or have a representative present to load their animal on the resale truck, if their animal was put on the resale truck by the premium buyer.

41. No parents will be allowed in the show ring while their child is showing an animal, unless the parent is a show official.

42. The scale tolerance will be as follows:

rabbits~ 3 oz

broilers~ 8 oz per pen of three

goats and lambs~ 5 lbs

hogs~ 10 lbs

steers and Commercial beef heifers~ 15 lbs

43. Outside persons will be assigned the task of weighing animals at check in time. The said weigh master will not be a parent of an exhibitor in that species, County Agent or Ag Teacher. Species superintendents will need to be present to record weights and enforce other rules related to their species.

44. Any individual deemed unruly by the show board will be escorted off the show grounds and not allowed to return.

45. All Grand and Reserve Champion entries must be lined up for sale 15 minutes prior to sale time.

46. Any exhibitor who is not present for their assigned slot in the sale will lose their opportunity to sale. Check with the division superintendent for specific directions.

47. Students that are enrolled in their senior year may submit a short written statement to the General Superintendent to be read as their animals sells. This statement should be submitted on the Official "WCJLS Senior Statement" form by the conclusion of check in, Thursday of County Show. The General Superintendent will screen these statements for appropriate content. No other statements will be allowed to be read about the exhibitors.

48. If a student is ineligible to show or sell at any point during the County Show/Sale, the exhibit is ineligible and should NOT be brought to the show grounds.

49. A student may have someone else (4-H or FFA Member in good standing only) show or sell their entry IF they are participating in a Qualifying Event ONLY. Qualifying Events include: State Judging Contests, UIL State Meets, etc. The Show Board must be asked in Advance for Permission to Attend the Event and Substitute another person.
