

WHEELER COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW
RULES
January 6th, 7th, 8th, 2022
Wheeler County Agricultural Center

1. ELIGIBILITY

Only members of Wheeler County 4-H Clubs or FFA Chapters may enter and participate in the show.

2. ENTRY FEE

The entry fee will be \$20.00 per head. The entry fee will go to defray show expenses. All refunds of entry fees for non-showing animals must be claimed by January 1st. Tammy Maddox must be contacted, for a refund to be generated.

3. ENTRY DEADLINE

Entry forms and entry fees for steers, heifers, lambs, goats and hogs are due in the office of the County Extension Agent or one of the Agriculture Science Teachers December 5. **No late entries will be accepted.** Entry fee refunds will be allowed for animals not showing but must be claimed by January 1st.

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, January 6th

Noon- Weigh Card due Steer & Heifers

1:00 PM- Cattle Show (Heifer Show followed by Steer Show)

(Lamb & Goat weight cards will be available at the conclusion of the Cattle Show)

Friday, January 7th

7:30 AM- Weigh Cards due Lamb & Goats

9:00 AM- Goat & Lamb Show

6:00 PM- Swine Weight Cards Due

Saturday, January 8th

8:00 AM- Swine Show

5:00 PM- Dinner

6:00 PM- Awards followed by SALE

5. ANIMAL MOVEMENT

All hogs will remain penned until after Cattle Show is complete and No feeding or watering the hogs during the Cattle show. A 30-minute break for feeding and watering will be given upon completion of cattle show.

6. RELEASE

All animals will be released after their species has completed showing.

7. PREMIUM MONEY AND AWARDS

The first four (4) animals in each class will receive a ribbon and premium money, if premium money is available; all others will receive a ribbon. The grand champions, reserve grand champions, breed champions, and reserve breed champions will receive an additional award. Premium money will be distributed by the Wheeler County Livestock Show Association.

8. ELIGIBILITY FOR SALE

Every exhibitor will sell one animal through the premium sale. The animal will be their highest placing animal. If the exhibitor has two or more animals placing the same in a specie or different species, the first animal shown will be the animal designated for the sale. (ALL Grands and Reserve Grands will sell, regardless of the one animal per exhibitor rule).

9. SHOWMANSHIP

A Junior Showmanship and a Senior Showmanship Award will be given in the beef division, swine division, sheep division and goat division. A **junior** will be defined as those youth in the seventh grade or younger. A **senior** will be defined as those youth in the eighth grade or older. All Showman, both Juniors & Seniors, who wish to return for showmanship in their division of specie, will be allowed to show for Junior and Senior Showmanship. Each species will have their own classes. An exhibitor must have an animal entered in the species to be eligible for the showmanship award.

10. DOGS

No dogs will be allowed in the barn during the show.

11. TRIM CHUTES

Trim chutes and lamb tables will be kept in areas designated by the general superintendent.

12. BEDDING

Animals may be bedded on sand or wood shavings. The shavings will be supplied by the exhibitor. No straw or other bedding material may be used unless deemed necessary by the committee.

13. SUBSTITUTE SHOWMAN

All entries in the Junior Livestock Show must be exhibited by the owner/exhibitor except when the exhibitor has more than one entry in a class or cannot be present to show their own animal due to circumstances beyond their control, (sickness with doctors note or death in the family etc.), In such cases, the superintendent must be notified before the animal enters the ring and the superintendent and executive board must approve the substitution. The substitute showman must also have an animal entered in the show. No substitute showman will be allowed for the show or premium sale for exhibitors participating in other events or activities (UIL competitions, school sports, little dribblers, gymnastics, etc.) or just being absent from competition or sale.

14. INELIGIBLE SHOWMAN

If an exhibitor is declared ineligible to participate under UIL guidelines, then the exhibitor and his or her entry are ineligible. The Wheeler County Jr Livestock Show officially begins on Thursday evening at beginning of swine weigh in. If any exhibitor in any species is not passing at that time, the exhibitor and the animal is ineligible to show.

15. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

No alcoholic beverages will be allowed on the stock show grounds.

16. INTERPRETATION AND VIOLATION OF RULES

The Division Committee of the species shall interpret the rules and shall reserve the right to arbitrarily settle any questions or disagreements. Any exhibitor who violates the rules will forfeit all privileges and premiums and be subject to such penalty as the superintendent may order. Violation of the rules can result in a fine and/or the suspension of the individual, 4-H club or FFA chapter responsible upon the vote of the executive committee.

17. EXTRA GIVE AWAYS, (Such as Raffles)

The County Premium Sale will not be interrupted for any extra give away (such as raffles). All raffles must be done before sale during the meal.

18. CLASSIFICATION OF ANIMALS

The steers and lambs will be officially classified by a quorum of at least 3 members of the classification team. The classification team will consist of all three Ag Science Teachers and the County Agent with the County Agent acting as the Classification Chairman. Swine classification will take place at the time of swine validation. Swine will be officially classified by a quorum of at least 3 members of the classification team. The classification team will consist of all three Ag Science Teachers and the County Agent. If at during the show a judge feels like an animal doesn't belong in a specific breed the Judge has the power to move it to the cross class.

19. CARING AND FEEDING

No feeding of any animals during the lamb, goat, steer or heifer show.

20. FITTER RULE'S

The Steer and Heifer show will be a Blow & Go Show only. No adhesive substance's will be allowed.

21. ANIMALS

All species must be domesticated animals.

BEEF SHOW RULES

STEERS:

1. CONDITION OF ANIMALS

Animals must be halter broken and in show condition. Unruly animals may be removed from the show grounds.

2. OWNERSHIP

Steers must be validated with a state tag and must have been owned and cared for by the exhibitor from July 1 in the year preceding the show until the show to be eligible. Steers will be tagged by County Validation committee prior to July 1st.

4. AGE

Steers will not be toothed.

5. CLASSES

Steers will be shown in **English Breeds, American Breeds, and Other Breeds** divisions. Steers will be divided into classes as equal in number as possible by the beef cattle committee after steers have been weighed.

6. CLASSIFICATION

All steers will be officially classified by a quorum of at least 3 members of the classification team.

7. WEIGHT CARDS

Steer weight cards will be turned in on Thursday, January 6th by Noon. There will be a 5% weigh back. All Breeds & Reserve Breeds will be weighed prior to the Grand Drive. If a Breed or Reserve Breed Steer weighs out, they will go to the bottom of the sale order.

HEIFERS:

1. OWNERSHIP & REGISTRATION

Heifers must be registered with their respective breed associations in the exhibitor's name, show proof of ownership as of November 1st in the year preceding the show and also be State Validated. Heifers must be validated by validation committee prior to November 1. Commercial/Non-Pedigreed Heifers must attend one of two County Validations and will be tattooed with the County Validation number to verify ownership.

2. AGE AND WEIGHT

Heifers must have been calved on September 1, 2020 or later. Commercial/ Non-Pedigreed Heifers will be shown by weights.

3. CLASSES

Heifers will be shown in **English, European and Others, American Breeds, and Commercial/ Non pedigreed divisions**. Registered Heifer classes will not have more than a six-month range in ages. A Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion heifer will be selected.

4. WEIGHT CARDS

Heifer birth dates/weight cards will be turned in on Thursday, January 6th by Noon. There will be a 5% weigh back. All Breeds & Reserve Breeds will be weighed prior to the Grand Drive. If a Breed or Reserve Breed Heifer weighs out, they will go to the bottom of the sale order.

MARKET LAMB SHOW RULES

1. OWNERSHIP

All lambs must be owned and cared for by the exhibitor from November 1 in the year preceding the show, until the show to be eligible. Lambs will be tagged by the County Validation Committee prior to November 1. Wethers will be tagged with a state tag or county tag at the discretion of the exhibitor. Ewes will be tagged with a county tag.

2. SEX

Both wether and ewe lambs may be shown in this division.

4. CLASSIFICATION

All lambs will be officially classified at validation by a quorum of at least 3 members of the classification team. The classification team will consist of all three Ag Science Teachers and the County Agent acting as Classification Chairman.

5. CLASSES

Lambs will be shown by the divisions of **Finewool, Finewool Cross, Southdown and Medium Wool**. Classes within divisions will be divided by weight with classes being as nearly equal in number as possible with as near to eight head per class as possible.

6. DRESSING

No paint, powder, or other artificial color may be used on lambs.

7. WEIGHT CARDS

Lamb weight cards will be turned in on Friday, January 7th by 7:30 AM. There will be a 10-pound weigh back. All Breeds & Reserve Breeds will be weighed prior to the Grand Drive. If a Breed or Reserve Breed Lamb weighs out, they will go to the bottom of the sale order.

GOAT SHOW RULES

1. **OWNERSHIP**

All goats must be owned and cared for by the exhibitor from November 1 in the year preceding the show, until the show to be eligible. Goats will be tagged by the County Validation Committee prior to November 1. Wethers will be tagged with a state tag or county tag at the discretion of the exhibitor. Doe's will be tagged with a county tag.

2. **SEX**

Goat Show will be opened to wethers or does.

4. **BREEDS**

This division is open to any breed or crossbred goats.

5. **CLASSES**

Classes will be divided by weight with classes being as nearly equal in number as possible with as near to five head per class as possible.

6. **HORNS**

Goats must be tipped Blunt to participate in the Wheeler County Livestock Show.

7. **WEIGHT CARDS**

Goat weight cards will be turned in on Friday, January 7th by 7:30AM. There will be a 10-pound weigh back. All Breeds & Reserve Breeds will be weighed prior to the Grand Drive. If a Breed or Reserve Breed Goat weighs out, they will go to the bottom of the sale order.

MARKET HOG SHOW RULES

1. **OWNERSHIP**

All hogs must have been owned and cared for by the exhibitor from December 1 in the year preceding the show, until the show to be eligible. They will be validated by the County Validation Committee prior to December 1.

2. **TERMINAL SHOW**

The Board of Directors will determine, in accordance with the Animal Health Commission regulations, whether the swine show will be terminal.

3. **SEX**

Barrows or gilts may be shown in this division.

5. **CLASSIFICATION**

Swine classification will take place at the time of swine validation. Swine will be officially classified by a quorum of at least 3 members of the classification team. The classification team will consist of all three Ag Science Teachers and the County Agent. If at during the show a judge feels like an animal doesn't belong in a specific breed the Judge has the power to move it to the cross class.

6. **CLASSES**

Hogs will be shown in the division as follows: BOPB, WOPB, Duroc, Hamp, York & Cross. Classes within divisions will be divided by weight and the total number in each class will be as near 10 head as possible. Total head in classes could vary from this total depending on natural weight breaks

7. **DRESSING**

Only water may be used to dress hogs for the show.

8. **WEIGHT CARDS**

Hog weight cards will be turned in on Friday, January 7th by 6:00 pm. There will be a 15-pound weigh back. All Breeds & Reserve Breeds will be weighed prior to the Grand Drive. If a Breed or Reserve Breed Hog weighs out, they will go to the bottom of the sale order.