

**McCurtain  
County  
Free Fair  
Rules  
and  
Regulations**

## **General Rules and Regulations**

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## ***Parking Automobiles***

Vehicles should be parked in designated areas inside the fairgrounds, outside the fence behind the exhibit buildings, or across the street on the rodeo parking area. Vehicles are only allowed in the central area between the exhibit buildings on Tuesday during entry times. Gates will be shut for the remainder of the fair.

Trailers (hitched or un-hitched) must not be parked on the main grounds inside the fence. Trailers may be parked in rodeo parking area or on the old airport behind the poultry building.

## ***General Rules/Regulations***

### **1. Organization**

- a.** The management of the McCurtain County Free Fair is in the hands of the Directors of McCurtain County Free Fair Association which is composed of nine members elected by the citizens of McCurtain County.
- b.** The McCurtain County Free Fair is financed by taxes, donations, and income derived from sale of concessions. No admission charges will be made and no entry fees will be charged. (The McCurtain County Free Fair Association is organized under Section 104, O.S. Supp. 1947, and Title 2 Oklahoma Session Laws, 1949, and H.B. No. 491 O.S.L. 1949)

### **2. Interpretation and Violators**

- a.** The McCurtain County Free Fair Association reserves that its Board of Directors has the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of connection with or incident to the fair.
- b.** Any person who violates any rule or regulation will forfeit the privileges and premiums and be subject to such penalty as the Board of Directors may order.
- c.** All protests must be submitted in writing to the rules and regulations committee.

### **3. Dates and Locations**

- a.** The McCurtain County Free Fair will be held in Idabel, Oklahoma, at the McCurtain County Free Fairgrounds beginning the first Tuesday after Labor Day and

concluding the first Saturday following Labor day; unless postponed or extended by the Fair Board, which has the right to do so for any cause or causes whatsoever which they deem for the good of all concerned.

#### **4. Entry Requirements**

- a.** All entries must be filed with the superintendents not later than the date and time specified.
- b.** The management reserves the right to reject any entry which they deem to be unworthy of exhibition. Every exhibit must remain intact and displayed until released by the Fair Board, unless otherwise provided; and the failure to comply with this requirement will bar said exhibitor from partaking of any premiums which they may have been awarded by the judges in any department of the fair.
- c.** Entry has to be displayed at all times until released or will be disqualified.
- d.** Entries in every department and class must be made between 8 am. and 7 pm. on Tuesday
- e.** Livestock entries must be made between 8am. and 12 pm. Wednesday. The livestock building superintendent and his assistant will assign spaces or stalls. Exhibitors will be required to keep their spaces or stall in an orderly and sanitary condition at all times during the fair. Failure to do so shall result in nonpayment of premium which may be due.
- f.** All animal exhibits may leave between 9pm. on Friday to 1 pm. on Saturday except for livestock that made the premium sale, which is released after sale.
- g.** All building entries may be released/leave on Saturday from 1 to 6 pm.

## **5. Liability**

- a.** All property of every character entered for competition, display or any other purpose, or being anywhere on the fairgrounds shall be subject to the control of the Fair Board or their designated staff.
- b.** In no case shall the McCurtain County Free Fair Association, secretary, directors, assistants or employees be held responsible for loss, damage or injury at any time, or diseases of any kind of character, to any property while the same is on the fairgrounds at any time or place. All reasonable precautions will be exercised by all of the above named officials to safeguard property and life, but in no event will any of the above named officials in their official capacity or as individuals be liable for any of the above mentioned conditions.
- c.** The McCurtain County Free Fair Association expressly refuses and does not assume any liabilities for injury to persons or their officers and employees or any patrons coming upon the grounds of the McCurtain County Free Fair. And no claims for injury to any person or property shall be asserted or suit instituted or maintained against the McCurtain County Free Fair Association, its officers, agents, representatives, servants or employees by any person having license or privilege to exhibit or to attend said Free Fair. And it is a part of the consideration for such license and privilege that any such claim for damages are, by said persons, specifically waived.
- d.** If any damage, loss or injury to person or property shall be caused by reason, neglect or willful act of any person, firm or corporation having license or privilege to exhibit on said fair grounds, the McCurtain County Free Fair Association shall in no manner be responsible or liable for any expense or liability.

- e. All concessions shall be at the discretion of the Fair Board.
- f. A committee appointed by the Fair Board shall be in charge of assigning space either in the buildings or on the grounds for commercial display or advertising. Charges will be made for space and will be set by the Fair Board of Directors.

## **6. Premiums and Awards**

- a. The judges will award premiums only on entries regularly mentioned in the in the Schedule of Premiums. The decision of the judge or judges shall be final. Protests will be considered or accepted only if based on a rule violation.
- b. The judges in all departments, with the exception of livestock, will be selected and secured by the superintendent of each, and will be allowed to act as judge in the class or ring in which the exhibits.
- c. No premiums will be awarded when, in the opinion of the judges, articles or exhibits are unworthy of an award.
- d. In the event of deficiency of money to defray all expenses aforementioned, all premiums and expenses will be paid in the fullest extent and in the most equitable manner that funds will permit. The fair management will make every effort to prevent any such emergency; however, management will not be held liable for any deficiencies in finances to meet such obligations.

- e. The following colors will be used in designating awards:  
*These ribbons will be attached only by the superintendent of each department or his assistants.*
  - i. **Champions—purple**
  - ii. **Reserve Champions—lavender**
  - iii. **1<sup>st</sup> place—blue**
  - iv. **2<sup>nd</sup> place—red**
  - v. **3<sup>rd</sup> place—white**
  - vi. **4<sup>th</sup> place—pink**
  - vii. **5<sup>th</sup> place—yellow**
  
- f. In paying premiums, no evidence of award will be recognized except the record book, properly signed by the judges or superintendent. Ribbons attached to exhibits are not evidence, as they sometimes become misplaced.
  
- g. Where special premiums are offered, they will be paid directly by those offering them upon certificate of the secretary of the fair.
  
- h. Only animals selected by a judge for premium sale will be eligible for announced donations. This rule is an attempt to stop solicited donations for animals that die prior to or during the fair that have not been selected for premium sales.

## **7. Document Entirety**

- a. The rules and regulations as prescribed by the Board of Directors for each section and department are hereby incorporated herein and made a party hereby as fully as if the same were set forth above and may be obtained from the secretary of said association. All persons, exhibitors and concessionaires are required to familiarize themselves with all rules as laid down by the association.



## **8. Record Keeping**

- a. Entries from the prior 10 years fairs will be kept for reference purposes.

## **9. Timeliness of Performance**

- a. All judges will be ranked on lists turned in by Ag teachers, fair board members, 4-H leaders, and Superintendents. This list will be used as the official judge's lists. List is due by the November fair board meeting. The names most frequent on the list would rank 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> as people to be contacted in this order. In the event that a judge cannot be acquired from the top 5 the selection committee would return to the board for more names. The board reserves the right to strike any name.
- b. Judges cannot be immediate family to superintendent of class or judge a class with exhibitor that is an immediate family member.

## **10. Rule Changes**

- a. Anyone at any time may suggest a rule change. Persons proposing a rule change shall contact any fair board member in their voting district with a request to sponsor their proposed change. If the fair board member agrees to sponsor the change. It shall be submitted in writing to the Fair board Secretary. Proposal must be signed by sponsoring member.
- b. All properly submitted rule change proposals will be given to Rules Committee. Rules committee shall examine and or debate proposal. Committee may change language, add to or delete any part of proposal.

- c. Rules committee will decide if proposal is in the best interest of the fair, they will determine if the proposal warrants consideration of the fair board, or needs to be discarded.
- d. If committee determines that the proposal warrants consideration of the board, it shall be placed on the regular meeting agenda for debate and or vote.
- e. Any rule change voted on within 120 days before fair opening day shall not take effect until after class of said fair.
- f. Board may enact an emergency order to activate rule change with the waiver of the 120 day waiting period the emergency order must be made by unanimous vote of a quorum at a regular scheduled meeting.
- g. Rules Committee will be made up of the following: 1 board member from each district, county extension director, and one at large member appointed by the chairman of the board.

## **11. Junior Classification**

- a. Exhibitors in this department must be presently enrolled in a McCurtain County school or be a previous semester graduate of a McCurtain County high school or certified home-school in McCurtain County.
- b. Exhibitors must comply with the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association eligibility guidelines.
- c. All entries and awards in the department shall be subject to the general Rules and Regulations published in this premium list.

- d. Juniors will be eligible to enter both Junior and Open division

**12. Check-in/Check-out Procedures**

- a. Exhibitors shall use entry tags provided by the class superintendent

**13. Check-out Time**

- a. Exhibits not in premium sale (non-livestock exhibits) will be released from 1 to 6pm. on Saturday evening
- b. All exhibits have to be on display at all times.
- c. If an exhibit is taken ahead of time, the exhibit will forfeit any premiums, including sale money

**14. Qualify beyond county level**

- a. For an exhibitor to qualify for competition above county level they must exhibit at the McCurtain County Free Fair

## ***Jr. Livestock Department Rules***

**\*Jr. Livestock exhibitors must be enrolled in grades K-12 in a McCurtain County elementary or secondary school or (certified) home schooled in McCurtain County, or be a previous semester graduate of a McCurtain County school. If the age of the exhibitor is 9 or above, you must be enrolled in 4-H or FFA.**

1. All entries and awards in this department shall be subject to the *General Rules and Regulations*
2. Each breed may or may not be judged separately
3. All bovine animals must be halter broken. (Excluding pen of three calves).
4. Exhibitors in this department must have continuously owned and personally cared for Market Steers and breeding cattle for a period of 120 days, and swine, sheep, and goats, for a period of 60 days prior to the opening day of the fair. Prospect Steers owned by August 1<sup>st</sup>.
5. No junior exhibitor may remain on the fairgrounds overnight, unless accompanied by an adult with fair board permission.
6. No livestock will be released until 9pm on Friday to 1pm on Saturday without consent of barn superintendent and all livestock must remain on display in designated area.
7. Any calf, pig, lamb, or goat that has been sold at a premium auction at any show preceding the show where ownership change has taken place is not eligible to be exhibited at this show.
8. Necessary health papers must be checked at entry time
9. All state animal health statutes must be obeyed (quarantine included)
10. Drugs: No drug use of any kind; including drenches, shots, etc. Medication for specific illness must be prescribed by a veterinarian and division superintendent must be notified before administering drugs.
11. Animals cannot be confined away from the display area.
12. Grooming:
  - a. Paint will be allowed to cover glue only on cattle. No other paint allowed on livestock
  - b. Use of powder and oil not permissible on swine

- c. Clipping on swine should be done at home; however, touchup clipping without restraint is permissible on fairgrounds.
  - d. No sharp practices-bruising, stimulants, etc.
  - e. All sheep must be slick shorn prior to arriving on fairgrounds. Final clipping allowed
13. All exhibitors are eligible for showmanship in the classes in which they have entries
  14. All entries must postmarked by dates on entry form
  15. Fair gates will open at 6am. And close at 11 pm.
  16. All superintendents shall be responsible for their own area and shall make sure it is ready for their respective contest
  17. Any violation of any rule could result in disqualification of all exhibits of the family involved at the discretion of the rules committee.
  18. Each exhibitor must exhibit their own animal in the show and sale ring unless excused by the Rules Committee.
  19. Substitute Showman: In the event an exhibitor cannot be onsite for show or sale, upon Fairboard approval substitutions will be allowed for the following reasons:
    - a. An exhibitor has two animals in the same class
    - b. Sickness or a physical injury
    - c. If an exhibitor qualifies in a competitive activity above County level at the same time as show/sale
    - d. If an exhibitor has a sister or brother in an activity above county level
    - e. Other reasons must be board approved

To obtain a substitute showman for any species:

Identify another exhibitor exhibiting same species at the Fair:

1. Immediate Family member, if not available
2. An exhibitor from the same school district, if not available
3. An eligible exhibitor exhibiting at the McCurtain County Free Fair

Failure to follow the stated procedures in requesting a substitute showman may result in the animal being disqualified.

20. Rules committee shall enforce above mentioned rules, as well as all other rules, and issue penalties as they deem necessary
  - a. Probation-may be assigned to an individual, family, school, chapter, or club
  - b. Disqualifications- all entries of an exhibitor, family, school, chapter or club may be disqualified, as a rule committee deems necessary
21. Probation or disqualification may be appealed before a quorum of the fair board
22. Complaints must be filed in writing. All others will not be considered
23. All animals shown in the wrong class will be disqualified
24. All county bred animals must be entered as county bred prior to the judging of their class. If not entered as a county bred prior to judging their class, they will not be eligible for any county bred awards

## **McCurtain County Livestock Judging Contest**

1. All contestants must be enrolled in McCurtain County School
2. Contest will consist of 6 classes and 1 set of questions or 8 classes and 1 sets of questions, based upon time and availability of animals and personnel. Start time is at 1 pm. Friday

### **Showmanship Award**

1. Age as day of show
2. The showmanship exhibitor must be exhibiting an animal of the same species in which he/she was competing and must own the animal he/she is exhibiting
3. The age group for goats and lambs will be as follows:
  - a. 10 and under
  - b. 11-14
  - c. 15 and up
4. For cattle only
  - a. 13 and under
  - b. 14 and older
5. The age group for swine showmanship will be as follows:
  - a. Peewee--8 and under
  - b. Junior---9-11 years
  - c. Intermediate---12-14 years
  - d. Senior - 15 and up

# All Cattle Rules and Regulations

1. **Commercial Stocker Calf Program**
2. **Market Steers**
3. **Breeding Cattle**

## General Rules:

- a. Maximum entries per exhibitor is 3 steers, 3 heifers, and 3 bulls
- b. All grooming chutes and equipment boxes will be stored in designated area to allow unrestricted viewing of exhibits, exception 6am until 1 hour after last beef animal is shown on the day of beef show

## **Division 1 – section 100**

Sponsor: Keeney Trucking

### **Commercial Stocker Calf Program (Pen of Three)**

Weigh-in: TBA

Weigh-out: August TBA

Brad Bain, Superintendent

#### **Purpose:**

To provide an opportunity to gain practical experience and knowledge in growing, operation, and merchandising commercial stocker-feeder cattle

#### **Eligibility:**

McCurtain County Junior Exhibitor: cattle must be owned by contestant

#### **Number of Cattle:**

Three calves per entry: maximum of two entries (six calves per exhibitor). All three must be weighed in and weighed out to qualify. There will be no appraisal changes after the weigh out; no alteration changes in weights, gains, and appraisals.

Total weight of each pen of calves, may not exceed 1,650 pounds at time of weigh in



### **Kind of Cattle**

Weaned Stocker cattle-any breed or quality: each pen of calves must be one sex (steers or heifers) and of uniform size and quality. Judges will disqualify non-uniform calves.

Total weight of each pen of calves may not exceed 1,650 pounds at time of weigh in

### **Transportation of Cattle**

Participants are responsible for providing all transportation of cattle

### **Judging for Awards**

Financial summaries supported by properly kept record books will be judged to determine those pens of cattle producing the greatest net profit (least loss) to be turned in at weigh out of cattle

### **Responsibility**

The Rules Committee reserves the right to settle all questions concerning the program. Failure to comply with rules may disqualify the participant and his/her stock from the program.

### **Procedure for Entry**

Participants shall deliver pens of three cattle to be entered to specified location where they will be ear tagged, tattooed, and weighed. Official judges will grade and price each pen of calves at current market value. This weight and price will be considered the initial weight and price for contest.

### **Entry Date and Duration of Program**

All calves will be entered at specified time. Final judging will be three top entries and will be exhibited at the County Fair where awards will be presented during the Premium Sale.

### **Feeding and Care of Cattle**

The participant may choose to turn his/her calves on pasture with other cattle or fence them separately. Supplemental feeding is optional. Use of wormers is optional.

### **Pen of Three**

1. Upon arriving at the weigh in arena, calves will be tagged, tattooed, photographed
2. Steers or heifers; no bulls
3. Report forms are due the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each month and must be filed with the fair board secretary or Pen of Three Superintendent. Forms filed late or forms filed incomplete will be fined a \$20 late fee, this will be charged to the cost of the pen of three
4. Cattle shall arrive at weigh in /weigh out between 8 am. And 11am. On the day specified. Arriving late shall be a \$20 cost of gain charge. Parking lot shall be considered on ground if exhibitor checks in. Superintendent clock will be official time.
5. No exhibitor, family members, 4-H leaders, or Vo. Ag instructors shall be in the area where cattle are being priced.

### **Grooming**

No grooming or fitting will be permitted

### **Final Weigh-up and Pricing**

Official judges will grade and price each pen of calves at the current market value.

The participant will use this weight and price to complete his/her financial summary.

Record books and financial summaries will be turned in to the Superintendent at time of weigh out.

All heifers will be considered sterile and priced non-breeders.

### **Exhibits**

Participants should plan to take their calves back home after judging is complete. The top 3 pens of the pen of three calves will be exhibited during the fair and should be in place by 5pm. on the first day of the fair (typically Tuesday). These cattle will be released from 1 to 6pm. on Saturday. Exhibitor of top 3 pens of three must be present at the Premium Sale to receive award. A summary of important information about each pen exhibited will be posted on the pen.

This program is open to any McCurtain County Student regardless of race, color, or national origin.

### **Awards**

Buckle—1<sup>st</sup> place

Class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> ribbons for top three entries

1. Pen of 3

1<sup>st</sup> --\$500

2<sup>nd</sup> -- \$250

3<sup>rd</sup> -- \$100

### **Sponsors**

1<sup>st</sup> place - Keeney Trucking

2<sup>nd</sup> place - Idabel Stockyards

3<sup>rd</sup> place - McCurtain County Cattlemen

## **Division 3 – Section 103**

### **Market Steers**

Sky Storey, Superintendent

#### **Rules**

1. Must have been weighed in on TBA. Market Steers must weigh a minimum of 951 pounds at weigh-in. Steers weighing less than 750 pounds will be written down as 750 pounds.
2. Market steers will be divided in classes by weight. Market steers will be weighed on the first day of the fair. The Division Superintendent will announce time of the weigh in.
3. All Steers that are county bred must be accompanied with a breeder's certificate with their nomination entry
4. Premium steer sale order shall be Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, and Best County Bred (see rule 23 in general rules) Steer. Seven more steers shall be selected by the judge for a total of 10 steers in the premium sale
5. If more than 10 steer are shown, steers not qualified for premium sale by other winnings will be shown for sale order.

#### **Awards**

Class 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$10, \$8, \$6)  
Best County Bred

## **Prospect Steer Class**

Have prospect steer class 950 pounds or less. Any prospect steer weighing 951 or above on weigh in day at fair will be in the market steer class. Only class winner will be eligible for premium sale. This will be added to the 10 head for a total of 11 head eligible to sell. Prospect Steers will be entered by August 1<sup>st</sup> in the Fair board office.

Prospect steer will move behind County Bred in the sale order, classified as Champion with premium base same as Bred Champion.

## **Division 6 – Section 107**

### **Breeding Cattle**

Brandon Bolt, Superintendent

The following breeds may be entered:

1. Brahman Influence (ex. Beefmaster, Brangus, Simbrah, etc.)
2. English (ex. Hereford, Shorthorn, Angus, etc.)
3. Exotic (Chi, Limousine, Maine, etc.)
4. Commercial (All other)

### **Rules**

1. All animals must exhibit breed character
2. All animals must be halter broken and pass superintendent's approval
3. Bulls must have ring in nose
4. All county bred cattle must be accompanied with a breeder's certificate or registration papers
5. All English and Exotics must be accompanied with registration papers and legible tattoo.
6. Brahman influence and Commercial cattle will be weighed and classes broken based upon weight
7. Sell minimum of 12 heifers in premium sale, and the best county bred heifer is to be 1 of the 12
8. There must be 5 or more shown for breed champion heifer to be automatically in the sale, 8 or more for reserve breed champion to be automatically qualified. Heifers will be shown

in their respective breed and lined up in a preliminary sale order. Final sale order selection will follow selection of Grand, Reserve Grand, and Best County bred (see rule 23 in general rules) heifer.

9. If 5 bulls are exhibited, the Grand Champion shall qualify for the premium sale. If 8 or more bulls are exhibited, the reserve grand will qualify for the premium sale.
10. If there are 5 or more shown in a breed, Breed Champion will automatically qualify for the premium sale. If 8 or more are shown in a breed, Reserve Breed champion will automatically qualify for the premium sale. If this occurs, sale order will be Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, Best County bred, qualifying Breed Champions and qualifying Reserve Breed Champions.
11. Maximum age on all Breeding Cattle must be 24 months as of show date.

### **Awards**

Class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$10, \$8, \$6)

Best County Bred

## **All Goat Rules and Regulations**

### **Goat Show**

Bobby Long-Superintendent

#### **Market Meat Goats**

Any breed of goat may be entered (no breed registration certificate required), but will be judged according to meat goat standards.

#### **Breeding Does**

Maximum age 2 years. Breeding does will be shown by weight. Weigh in will be the same as market meat goats.

#### **Dairy Goats**

Separated into classes by age:

One Year and Under

Over 1 year to under 2 years old

#### **Rules**

1. All market goats (market kids) must meet the requirements for kid teeth as stated. Goats must have milk teeth or show no breaking of skin or eruption of either of two permanent front teeth. Breeding does must be 2 years or under as of entry day.
2. All animals except wethers must have permanent official identification that meets the requirements of the USDA – Oklahoma Department of Agriculture or (state of origin) Scrapie Eradication program. Other acceptable types of identification include tattooed animals accompanied by registration certificate.
3. Any animal with an open wound or abscesses will not be allowed to remain on the fairgrounds. Animals with wounds that have been surgically closed (sutured) will be allowed.
4. All animals with horns must be tipped and rounded. Horns must be tipped prior to arrival at fairgrounds. Disbudded animals are acceptable and exempt from this rule.

5. Market Goat cards and breeding doe card will be turned in at the same time as all other livestock. There will be a five pound weigh back from the top of the class.
6. All goats must lead with minimal resistance
7. Market wethers and does to be shown must be sheared prior to arrival at fairground.
8. A committee formed by superintendent, a fairboard member and one person selected by the goat superintendent will divide classes.
9. Exhibitors may enter 3 market goats, 3 breeding does, and 3 dairy does.
10. Animals will only be shown in one of these divisions – breeding does or market meat goats. Does may only be shown in market goat division or breeding doe division, NOT BOTH.
11. Showmanship classes:
  - a. 10 & under
  - b. 11 to 14
  - c. 15 & up
12. The Grand, Reserve Grand, Best County Bred, and 7 additional market goats will sell in the premium sale.
13. The Grand, Reserve Grand, Best County Bred, and 9 additional Does will sell in the premium sale.
14. To constitute a breed (for the dairy goat show), there must be a minimum of five (5) animals entered in that breed.

## **Division 9 – Section 110**

### **Market Meat Goat**

#### **Awards**

Class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$10, \$8, \$6)

Grand Champion Market Goat

Reserve Champion Market Goat

Best County Bred



**Division 10 – Section 112**  
**Junior Breeding Does Show**

**Awards**

Class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$10, \$8, \$6)  
Grand Champion Breeding Doe  
Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Doe  
Best County Bred

**Division 10 – Section 113**

**Dairy Goats**

**Awards**

Class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> ( \$10, \$8, \$6)

## **Sheep Rules**

### **Division 5 – Section 106**

#### **Market Lambs**

Colby McGee, Superintendent

Dorset, Hampshire, Natural, Shropshire, Southdown, Suffolk, Crossbreds and All Other Breeds (AOB)

#### **Rules**

1. To constitute a breed there must be a minimum of 5 animals entered in that breed. If less than 5 are entered, lambs will be moved to the AOB and will be considered a breed for premium sale purposes. Ewe or wether lambs may be exhibited. All ewe lambs must have the required state ear tags in place.
2. Lambs must have a full set of baby teeth
3. Exhibitors will weigh their own lambs. There will be a five pound weigh back from the top of the class. Officials may weigh top 4 in each class – immediately after class. Lambs cannot weigh more than 5 pounds over the top weight lamb in their class. Lambs will only be weighed during class. Lambs that do not meet the weigh back requirements will be disqualified.
4. A committee composed of the sheep superintendent, a fair board member and one person selected by the sheep superintendent will divide each breed into at least one but no more than four weight classes.
5. A minimum of ten at large lambs will be chosen for the premium sale following the guaranteed champions, reserve champion and county bred. All breed champions will be guaranteed a spot in the premium sale, provided there are 5 or more entered in their breed. Reserve breed champions will be provided a spot in the premium sale, if there are a minimum of eight lambs in their breed.
6. The sale order will be: Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, Best McCurtain County Bred, Reserve County Bred (if applicable), Breed Champions, Reserve Breed Champions, and remainder of lambs picked by judge in order selected.

7. Market lambs will have a preliminary sale order which will be selected as each breed shows. No preliminary lambs are guaranteed in the sale. The top 10 lambs in each breed will be lined up to be eligible to show for final sale order selection. The final sale order selection will follow the selection of the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb and the County Bred Champion and Reserve Champion (if applicable).
8. All sheep must be slick shorn prior to arriving on fairgrounds. Final clipping allowed. No paint allowed on sheep (see general rules).
9. Exhibitors may enter 3 market lambs and 3 breeding sheep.

### **Awards**

Class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$10, \$8, \$6)

Best County Bred

### **Division 7 --- Section 108**

#### **Breeding Sheep**

Colby McGee, Superintendent

The following breeds may be entered: Southdown, Shropshire, Hampshire, Suffolk and Dorset

**Class** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$10, \$8, \$6)

1. Ram over 1 year
2. Ram under 1 year
3. Ewe over 1 year
4. Ewe under 1 year

Breed Champion Ram

Reserve Breed Champion Ram

Breed Champion Ewe

Reserve Breed Champion Ewe

Grand Champion Ram

Reserve Grand Champion Ram

Grand Champion Ewe

Reserve Grand Champion Ewe

# **All Swine Rules and Regulations**

## **Division 4 – Section 104**

### **Market Swine**

Lance Reavis, Superintendent

The following breeds may be entered: Berkshire, Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Poland and Spotted Poland, Yorkshire and other breeds or cross-breeds

### **Rules**

1. An entry card will be filled out on each animal by the responsible Ag-Ed Teacher, 4-H leader, or principal. The card will be turned in by 12 noon Wednesday to the swine superintendent. The entry card will have the name of exhibitor, school represented, breed of swine, weight of swine, ear tag number and signature of the Ag-Ed teacher, 4-H leader, or sponsor.
2. After entry deadline, swine breeds will be divided into three weight classes. If there are 32 or more animals in one breed, there will be four classes and add a class for every 8 entries in that breed. Max number of classes per breed is 7. There will be a minimum entry weight of 190 pounds and a maximum weight of 280 pounds. The weight classes will be determined by a committee composed of a swine superintendent, a Fair Board member and one other person selected by the swine superintendent.
3. At the judges' discretion, the top five swine selected in a class may be weighed at the time during the class only and must not weigh more than 10 pounds above the top weight limit of the class or less than 190 pounds. The weigh back will be on official scales, by a staff appointed by the Fair Board.
4. If there are five or more swine in the county bred class, then the champion and reserve champion county bred swine will be number 3 and 4 swine in the sale unless they are grand and/or reserve grand overall. If less than five head are in the county bred class then the champion county bred swine would make the premium sale.

5. Swine which do not meet the weigh back requirements will be disqualified.
6. The swine judge has the authority to reclassify an animal if he or she feels the breed characteristics are not met. That animal will be placed in the appropriate crossbred class.
7. Barrows or gilts may be exhibited.
8. The market swine placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> in each class will automatically qualify for the premium sale.
9. Exhibitors may enter 3 market swine and 3 breeding gilts.

### **Awards**

Class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$10, \$8, \$6)

Breed Champion \$10

Reserve Breed Champion \$8

Best County Bred

Grand Champion Buckle-sponsored by Jade Ashalintubbi Memorial Fund

Res Grand Champion -sponsored by Alex Battiest Memorial

## **Division 8 - Section 109**

### **Junior Gilt Show**

Lance Reavis, superintendent

The following breeds may be entered: Berkshire, Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Spotted/Poland China, and Yorkshire

### **Rules**

1. All animals must exhibit breed character
2. All health requirements must be met
3. Gilts may show in only the gilt show or the market show. NOT BOTH
4. All animals must be current year gilts

### **Awards**

Class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>

1. Jan or Feb farrowed \$10, \$8, \$6
2. March or after farrowed \$10, \$8, \$6

Grand Champion \$10

Reserve Grand Champion \$8

Breed Champion Gilt \$10

Breed Reserve Breed Champion Gilt \$8

## **All Poultry Rules and Regulations**

1. Poultry Department Rules
2. Large Fowl
3. Bantams
4. Eggs
5. Breeders
6. Broilers
7. Turkeys
8. Ducks
9. Geese
10. Guineas

Trophies & Plaques will be given to the Grand & Reserve Grand Chicken. Winners will be announced prior to premium sale on Saturday.

### **Poultry Department Rules**

Richard Butler, superintendent

#### **General Rules:**

1. All poultry to be exhibited at the McCurtain County Free Fair shall go through a pre-entry process as follows. All poultry will be brought to the fairgrounds on Saturday in August ( or approximately 30 days preceding the fair on day to be set with Oklahoma State Livestock Inspector), and tested for Pullorum/Typhoid and banded negative Pullorum/Typhoid test. Testing will be free and will replace the required testing on the day of entry at the fair.
2. All poultry will receive a band (wing or leg) at this time and this band will be recorded and must be on the bird when they arrive at the fairgrounds for entry.
3. Any bird not having appropriate band number will be disqualified.
4. Any bird not meeting above entry requirements will be allowed for exhibition only. No entry, no competition. No premium money, no ribbon. Exhibitors must furnish negative Pullorum/Typhoid test before birds can be exhibited.

5. The American Standard of Perfection, adopted by the American Poultry Association shall be the guide for classification and judging.
6. Show is to be judged by comparison.
7. Poultry exhibits showing any signs of disease will be removed from the fairgrounds.
8. Maximum entries per exhibitor is 50

**Junior Poultry Division Rules:**

1. Chickens, including bantams, shall be entered as individuals (cockerels and pullets only)
2. All chickens, turkeys, geese, guineas and ducks must have been hatched after Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
3. Poultry exhibits showing any disease or disqualifications to their breed will be excluded from premiums and/or removed from grounds
4. Poultry entries must be purebred
5. Each exhibitor may enter:
  - a. Chickens as individual entries (not trios)
  - b. Six exhibits per breed of each of the following chickens or ducks
  - c. Three exhibits per class of geese, guineas or turkeys
  - d. All varieties or breeds of geese, guineas or turkeys will be judged together
6. Exhibits will be released from 1 to 6pm. on Saturday

**Awards**

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each class will receive premiums of \$10, \$8, \$6 respectively

Grand Champion overall \$50 and rosette

Reserve Grand Champion overall \$35 and rosette

Champion large fowl \$10 and rosette

Reserve Champion large fowl \$7 and rosette

Champion Bantam \$10 and rosette

Reserve Champion Bantam \$7 and rosette

Champion waterfowl \$10

Reserve Champion waterfowl \$7



All other classes of poultry (other than chickens and ducks) will receive ribbons only with placings of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>. This includes turkeys and guineas.

## **Division 1 -- Section 200**

### **Large Fowl**

#### **Class 1, American** – varieties of:

Rhode Island Red, Wyandottes, Dominiques, New Hampshire, Javas, Plymouth Rocks, Jersey Giants, Lammonas and other breeds

#### **Class 2, Asiatic** – varieties of:

Brahmas, Lanshans, Cochins, and other breeds

#### **Class 3, English** – varieties of:

Cornish, Red Caps, Dorking, Suffex, Austrolop, Orphingtons and other breeds

#### **Class 4 Mediterranean** – varieties of:

Minocas, Buttercups, Anconas, Leghorns, Spanish, Campines and other breeds

#### **Class 5 Continental** – varieties of:

Spits, Lahenueldens, Houdans, Hamburgs, Polish, Faverolles and other breeds

#### **Class 6 Game** – varieties of:

Modern Games, Old English Games, Modern, Black Breasted Red, Orientals, Barred, Old English, Red Pyle, Brawn Red, Lemon Blue, Wheaton, Crele, Brassy Black, Black, Blue Red, Silver Duckwing, Spangled and other breeds

## **Division 2 – Section 201**

### **Bantams**

#### **Class 1 Single Comb Clean Legged** – varieties of:

Japanese, Plymouth Rock, New Hampshire, Rhode Island Port, Leghorns, Minocas, Orphingtons and other breeds

**Class 2 Rose Comb Cleaned Legged** – varieties of:

Sea Brights, Hamburgs, Rose Combs, Wyandottes, Antwerp, Rhode Island Red and other breeds

**Class 3 All Other Combs Cleaned Legged** – varieties of:

Polish, Cornish, and other breeds

**Class 4 Feather Legged** – varieties of:

Cochins, Silkies, Booted, Brahmans, Fizzle, Sultans and other breeds

**Class 5 Game** – varieties of:

Barred, Old English, Red Pyle, Brawn Red, Lemon Blue, Modern, White, Black Breasted Red, Black, Crele, Silver Duckwing, Spangled, Blue Red, Wheaton, Silver Blue, Brassy Red and other breeds.

**Division 3 – Section 202**

**Eggs**

**Class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>**

1. White—one dozen \$3, \$2, \$1
2. Brown—one dozen \$3, \$2, \$1
3. Natural Colored—one dozen \$3, \$2, \$1

**Division 4 – Section 203**

**Breeders**

Rules

1. The class must consist of one breeder male and three breeder females of one breed, less than one year of age.
2. Any breed or variety may be entered.
3. Exhibitors may have only one entry
4. Meatiness is the chief concern

**Class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>**

1. \$5, \$4, \$3

**Division 5 – Section 204**  
**Broilers**

Rules

1. This class consists of four young birds of the broiler strains, all male, female, or mixed sexes.
2. Uniformity and meatiness are the chief concern
3. Suggested weights are 3 ½ to 5 pounds each.

**Class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>**

1. \$5, \$4, \$3

**Division 6 – Section 205**  
**Turkeys**

Rules

1. Toms and hens are shown together.

Class 1 – ribbons only

**Division 7—Section 206**  
**Ducks**

Class 1: bantam ducks, varieties of call ducks, fast Indies, mallards and other breeds

Class 2: light ducks, varieties of khakis, runners and other breeds

Class 3: medium ducks, varieties of Cayugas, Swedish, buff and other breeds

Class 4: heavy ducks, varieties of rouens, pekings, muscovies, and other breeds

**Class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>**

1. \$5, \$4, \$3

**Division 8—Section 207**

All breeds and varieties to be shown together

**Geese**

Class 1: light geese, varieties of Chinas, Egyptians and other breeds

Class 2: medium geese, varieties of American buffs, pilgrims,  
Pomeranians and other breeds

Class 3: heavy geese, varieties of Africans, embdens, Toulouse and  
other breeds

**Class 1 - 3:** Ribbons only

**Division 9 - Section 208**

**Guineas**

Rules

1. All breeds and varieties shown together

**Class -**Ribbons only

## **All Rabbits Rules and Regulations**

Trophies and Plaques will be given to the Grand and Reserve Grand Rabbit. Winners will be announced prior to the premium sale on Saturday.

### **Rabbits**

Stacey Harper, Superintendent

#### **General Rules:**

1. All rabbits to be exhibited at the McCurtain County Free Fair shall go through a pre-entry process as follows. All rabbits will be brought to the Fairgrounds approximately 30 days prior to fair on a date set by Oklahoma State Livestock Inspector. The rabbits will be tattooed and classified into the appropriate breed and age category at this time.
2. All rabbits will receive a tattoo at this time (unless previously tattooed) and this tattoo number will be recorded and must be on the rabbit when they arrive at the fairgrounds for entry
3. Any rabbit not having appropriate tattoo number upon entry will be disqualified
4. Any rabbit not meeting above entry requirements will be allowed for exhibition only. No entry, no ribbon, no premium money, no competition
5. The American Rabbit Breeders Association, shall be the guide for classification and judging
6. Show is to be judged by comparison
7. Rabbit exhibits showing any signs of disease will be removed from the fairgrounds

#### **Rules**

1. Rabbit exhibitors must be present to exhibit their entry when classes are called at approximately 9:00am Wednesday. If exhibitor is not present to exhibit their animal it shall be disqualified unless prior permission is granted by the Superintendent or Fair Board
2. Exhibitors must feed and water animals daily and keep area clean

3. Breed classification will be based on the most current edition of the Standard of Perfection as published by the American Rabbit Breeders Association
4. All rabbits must be purebred, except for the crossbreed class and the meat pen rabbits
5. Exhibits will be released from 1 to 6pm. on Saturday
6. Exhibitors may have only one entry per class. There are approximately 45 breed classifications. Example: In a New Zealand class an exhibitor may have one Sr. buck, one Jr. buck, one Sr. doe and one Jr. doe. There are four classes per breed
7. To constitute a breed, there must be a minimum of eight animals entered in that breed. If less than eight are entered, rabbits will be moved to the AOB class.

### **Awards**

Grand champion rabbit of all breeds \$50 and rosette  
Reserve champion rabbit of all breeds \$35 and rosette  
Champion Sr. Buck of all breeds \$10 and rosette  
Reserve champion Sr. Buck of all breeds \$5 and rosette  
Champion Jr. Buck of all breeds \$10 and rosette  
Reserve champion Jr. Buck of all breeds \$5 and rosette  
Champion Sr. Doe of all breeds \$10 and rosette  
Reserve champion Sr. Doe of all breeds \$5 and rosette  
Champion Jr. Doe of all breeds \$10 and rosette  
Reserve Champion Jr. Doe of all breeds \$5 and rosette  
1<sup>st</sup> place \$5 and ribbon  
2<sup>nd</sup> place \$4 and ribbon  
3<sup>rd</sup> place \$3 and ribbon

## **Rabbit Meat Pen**

### **Rules**

The exhibit shall consist of three rabbits of the same breed and variety. Age limit shall be 10 weeks. Each rabbit shall weigh between 3 to 5 pounds. Each pen will be judged on four factors in order of importance:

1. Meat type
2. Condition
3. Uniformity
4. Fur

The limit is one meat pen per exhibitor.

### **Awards**

1<sup>st</sup> place \$20 and ribbon

2<sup>nd</sup> place \$15 and ribbon

3<sup>rd</sup> place \$10 and ribbon

## **McCurtain County Free Fair** **Cattle Handling Contest**

### **Rules:**

1. The contest is open to all McCurtain County students, enrolled in FFA or 4-H in 7<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade
2. Each team will be made up of 3 students
3. Each team will be given a pre-test
4. Each team will be judged on the following criteria: A total of 2 or 3 animals will be processed by each team in the contest
  - a. Sorting and moving cattle into a squeeze tub through an alley to a chute
  - b. Catching the animal in the head gate of the chute
  - c. Ear tagging the animal
  - d. Take animals temperature
  - e. Apply/inject medication/vaccine
  - f. Check animal's feet
  - g. Release the animal into holding pen
  - h. Complete record keeping
5. The contest will be judged by a panel consisting of beef industry professionals. The decision of the judges shall be final
6. Substitution of team members in case of illness, school event conflict, or family emergency will be allowed
7. If any team or team member is deemed by the judges to be conducting themselves in an unsafe manner or treating the animals in an unsafe or inhumane manner the team will be disqualified and declared ineligible for awards or prizes.
8. All teams will use the same equipment which will be provided by organizers of the event
9. Live cattle will be provided for the events from local sources
10. All equipment, drugs, and supplies necessary for the competition will be provided
11. Administration of injectable medications or vaccines will be supervised by representatives of the companies providing the injectable



**Awards:**

Awards will be awarded at the McCurtain County Free Fair Premium Sale

1<sup>st</sup> team –

2<sup>nd</sup> team-

3<sup>rd</sup> team-

## **Agriculture Mechanic Dept**

### **Rules:**

1. Entries may be individually, chapter or club owned.
2. Articles must have been constructed by an individual or group participation by chapter or club.
3. An article can be shown only once at the County Fair, but not have to be constructed during the year of County Fair.
4. All articles must be clean and in a presentable condition even though they may have been used during the year.
5. Each exhibitor must have a tag or sign showing ownership
6. Exhibits can be constructed of either metal or wood.
7. Exhibits will be judged on workmanship, structure and design, practicability and materials used.
8. To be eligible to compete on a chapter or club basis, the chapter must have a minimum of 3 exhibits
9. If an exhibit is entered in wrong section, the superintendent will make determination and transfer to proper section
10. The judge will not award premiums or points for entries in any section that does not meet acceptable standards of quality.
11. Entry deadline will be from 9:00am to 5:00pm opening day of fair.

### **Class:**

1. Livestock trailers, other trailers including machinery transporting equipment and truck beds.
2. Home improvement, Picnic Table, Clothes line poles, Wood Racks, etc.
3. Livestock production projects, head gates, portable chutes, gates, etc.
4. Crop production projects
5. Specialty items-items not fitting above category

### **Awards:**

#### **Individual**

1<sup>st</sup> - \$20

2<sup>nd</sup> - \$15

3<sup>rd</sup> - \$10

#### **Sweepstakes Award Chapter/Club**

1<sup>st</sup>- \$100

2<sup>nd</sup>-\$75

3<sup>rd</sup>-\$50

## Cattle Stewardship Contest

Contestant must have completed pen of three stocker calf program.

Contest will be based on point's.

Contest Breakdown on Points:

Average Daily Gain	1 point for each pound of gain
Increase Stocker Price	1 point for each dollar gain in value. Deduct 1 point for each dollar lost in value.
Stocker Reports	15 (5pts each)
Personal Interview	100 pts
Total Amount of Points wins the contest.	

Proposed Questions:

1. Did you raise or purchase your cattle?
2. What type of grazing method do you use? (rotational, continuous, strip)
3. Do you feed your calves commodity feed?
4. What do feel like your feed or grazing conversion needs to be to make a profit?

5. Do you purchase your feed in bulk or sacks?
6. Do you have a medication protocol for doctoring sick animals?
7. Do you have vaccination program? If so what medications does your program consist?
8. How would you figure the net gain or loss of your cattle operation?
9. Do you own the land your cattle are grazing on or do you rent the property?
10. Do you administer growth promoting hormones to your calves? What is your reasoning behind this procedure?
11. Describe what type of cattle you like to purchase for your operation?
12. Describe what expenses you encounter in your operation?
13. What type of marketing method do you use to sell your cattle? (web, local market, feedlot direct, retained ownership etc...)
14. What type of grass do you have on your operation?
15. What is preconditioning and how does it affect your operation?