



Livestock Show General Rules and Regulations

1. **DISCLAIMER:** The PCJLA Board of Directors (Board), reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations, and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions or differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, or connected with, or incidental to the show. Any matter not referred to in this rule book shall be determined according to the rules in the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Exhibitor Handbook for the current year.
2. **GENERAL ELIGIBILITY:** Anyone who is a bona fide 4-H or FFA member, in good standing and enrolled in a public or private elementary or secondary school and is supervised by the County Extension Agent or Ag Science teacher is eligible to show. No animal or exhibitor may be entered that has exhibited in another county show in the current year. For all species eligible for the sale, each exhibitor and/or a parent are required to sell \$200 worth of raffle tickets and attend TWO PCJLA meetings or one PCJLA meeting and volunteer to help with the Amarillo By Morning Swine Jackpot in order to participate in the livestock show and sale. A percentage of the additional proceeds from ticket sales will be used to support exhibitors who did not qualify for the premium sale.
3. Pee Wee Exhibitors will be eligible to show pigs ONLY in the pee wee showmanship division. They will not be eligible for the premium sale.
4. **ENTRIES:** Each exhibitor can have three (3) entries per division (Steers, Heifers, Sheep, Goats, Barrows, Gilts) excluding rabbits.
 - a. All entries must be tagged in Potter County with an approved Texas Validation tag. Entry fees will be \$25.00 per head for Cattle, Sheep, Swine, and Goats.
 - b. Entry fees will be \$15.00 for the first rabbit, and \$5.00 thereafter per rabbit.
 - c. **ENTRIES ARE TO BE SUBMITTED AND PAID NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 17th. ENTRY FEES WILL DOUBLE AFTER THIS DATE.**
5. **FACILITY:** The barns will open at 6:30 AM each morning and will close at 10:30 PM each night
6. **PROTESTS:** Superintendent and/or PCJLA Officers will oversee protests. Protests must be in writing prior to judging and accompanied by a \$25.00 fee, which will be refunded if the protest is upheld. All decisions are final.
7. Only animals entered in the stock show will be allowed in the barn.
8. These regulations are subject to change or amendments by the Board at any time prior to the opening of the show.
9. Animals can arrive between 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM the night before their show or after 6:30 AM the morning of their show. Animals are free to leave after the completion of their specific species. Stall and tack set up is allowed the night before the day of the show.
10. Pens and stalls will be pre-assigned.
11. The PCJLA Show is based on high standards of competition, sportsmanship, ethics and fair play. Participants are expected to conduct themselves according to these standards. Any exhibitor or family member who violates these standards may be barred from participating in the show or sale.
12. The PCJLA will abide by all “UIL ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS” including “No Pass, No Play”.



13. No alcoholic or illegal substances will be permitted on the fairgrounds. Any exhibitors, family members or advisors caught in possession or in the act of consuming such products will be subject to disqualification and removal from the show and sale.
14. A substitute showman must have an animal showing in the show and written notification of a need for a substitute must be signed by each exhibitor's advisor prior to the show. Superintendents and/or PCJLA Officers have final approval of all substitutions.
15. Any animal not weighing within the expressed weight ranges will not be allowed to compete.
16. A three-person classifying committee will classify steers, sheep and swine in the staging area prior to each class entering the ring. Two negative votes are necessary to disqualify the animal from a breed division. Any animals disqualified from a breed will participate in the crossbred division for that species. For cattle the Continental division, for sheep the Medium Wool division and for swine the Light or Dark Crosses.
17. There will be separate showmanship competition for swine, sheep, goats and cattle with three (3) divisions based on the exhibitor's age. The competition will be judged by the species judge at the conclusion of each show.
 - a. Winners will be placed behind the breed champions in the sale order during the premium sale.
 - b. There will be a Premier Exhibitor awarded to one individual per species. The judge will be anonymous, and criteria will be showmanship, work ethic and sportsmanship. This award does not earn a sale slot. The announcement will take place during the premium auction.
 - c. Exhibitors must exhibit an animal in a species to be eligible for showmanship in that species.
18. PREMIUM SALE
 - a. Steers, heifers, swine, lambs, and goats are eligible for the premium sale. Each exhibitor can sell no more than two (2) qualifying animals unless the exhibitor has four (4) Grand Champions. All Grand Champions will sell through the premium sale.
 - b. Only the top percentage of each class will sell. The percentage will be determined by the board prior to the premium sale.
 - c. Notification as to which animal will sell must be made directly to the office manager within one hour after the show ends. If the deadline is not met, the office manager reserves the right to make decisions.
 - d. The sale will be a premium sale. No change of ownership will take place.
 - e. The exhibitor must be present to sell his/her animals unless prior notification is given and approved by the board.
 - f. Each exhibitor in the sale is expected to be present at the designated time given. A non-compliance will result in forfeiture of the premium sale money.
 - g. Placings recorded on the entry card will be the official determination for animals being included in the premium sale.
19. The Board, Superintendents and PCJLA Officers will handle all perceived dangers at their discretion. **ALL ENTRIES IN EACH DEPARTMENT ARE SUBJECT TO ALL GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**



Specie Specific Rules and Regulations

RABBIT DEPARTMENT

1. Health Regulations – All rabbits will be examined by the rabbit director or an official at check-in. Any rabbit deemed sick or unsuitable will be disqualified, forfeit their entry, and be asked to leave immediately.
2. Rabbits must have a tattoo in their left ear or they will be disqualified.
3. All rabbits should be entered in the proper class. An official may change an entry if they deem necessary.
 - a. This will be determined at the validation dates in November. (See rule 6)
4. Each class will be broken up by breed, gender, and age. The 1st place of each age will compete in Best of Breed Category
 - a. Solid Doe, Solid Buck, Broken Doe, Broken Buck
5. Class Types
 - a. All breeds recognized by the American Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc. (ARBA) will be eligible. Rabbit showroom classes recognized by the ARBA (all breeds).
 - (A) Breed classes to be as specified in the ARBA Standard of Perfection.
 - (B) Substitutions shall be allowed only in the same sex, class, variety, group, and breed.Rabbit fur and wool classes
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 - b. There is a minimum of five (5) to make a breed class, any less will be shown in the open class.
6. All rabbits entered must be validated on the established dates:
 - a. November 18th, 2021
 - b. December 9th, 2021
 - i. Location for this process will be determined at a later date.
7. Any exhibitor wishing to participate in showmanship must sign up at check-in. Showmanship consists of presenting a rabbit before a panel and answering questions. There will be 3 classes: Jr Showmanship (3rd-5th grade), Intermediate Showmanship (6th-8th grade), and Sr. Showmanship (9th-11th grade). **Buckles or Prizes will be awarded for both classes.**
8. This is an exhibition show. No animals will be put into the premium sale. Entry fees will be used to pay general expenses with the remainder being used as jackpot monies.



CATTLE DEPARTMENT

1. Steers must have been owned and cared for by the exhibitor on or before June 30th of the previous year and be tagged in Potter County with an approved Texas Validation tag.
2. Steers must weigh a MINIMUM of 800 pounds.
3. Heifers must have been owned and cared for by the exhibitor on or before October 31st of the previous year and be documented with Texas State Validation paperwork. Animals must be eligible for validation to compete at the Potter County Junior Livestock Show.
4. Heifers must be 30 months of age or LESS at the time of the show.
5. Classes will be divided after weight cards for steers and check-in for heifers. (steers broken by weight, heifers by age)
6. There will be up to three breed divisions for Steers and Heifers: American, English and Continental. A minimum of three head is required for a breed division.
7. No artificial colors, materials, or adhesives may be used. No professional fitters allowed in the barn.
8. No weigh in. Weight cards must be turned in on time. The top two of each class will be weighed back during the class. Cattle will have a 5% weigh back.

LAMB DEPARTMENT

1. Animals must have been owned by the exhibitor on or before October 31st of the previous year and be tagged in Potter County with an approved Texas Validation tag.
2. Lambs must be slick shorn from the knee and hock up. No artificial dressing may be used.
3. Wethers and ewes are eligible for the show and will be shown together
4. Classes will be broken after weight card turn in.
5. There will be up to three breed divisions: Southdown and Hair Sheep, Fine wool and Fine wool Cross, and Medium Wool. A minimum of three head is required for a breed division.
6. South downs must weigh 70 lbs.. All other breeds must weigh a minimum of 80. No top weight limits.
7. No weigh in. Weight cards must be turned in on time. The top two of each class will be weighed back during the class. Lambs will have a 5 lb. weigh back.



GOAT DEPARTMENT

1. Animals must have been owned by the exhibitor on or before October 31st of the previous year and be tagged in Potter County with an approved Texas Validation tag.
2. Wethers and Does are eligible for the show and will be shown together.
3. Classes will be broken by weight only. There will be three weight divisions: light, middle and heavy.
4. All horns must be tipped and rounded.
5. All goats must weigh a minimum of 50lbs. There is no top weight limit.
6. All goats must be slick shorn from the knee and hock up to a length that will not exceed 3/8".
7. No weigh in. Weight cards must be turned in on time. The top two of each class will be weighed back during the class. Goats will have a 5 lb. weigh back.

SWINE DEPARTMENT

1. Animals must have been owned by the exhibitor on or before November 30th of the previous year and be tagged in Potter County with an approved Texas Validation tag.
2. There will be a Breeding Gilt Show followed by a Barrow Show.
 - a. The Gilt show will have two breed divisions: Purebreds (must have registration paper) and Crosses (all non-papered gilts).
 - b. The Barrow show will be up to eight (8) breed divisions: Berkshire, Duroc, Yorkshire, Hampshire, Dark OPB, White OPB, Light Crosses, and Dark (red or black) Crosses. Hereford swine, if present, will be included in the White OPB Barrow division. A minimum of three head is required for a breed division.
3. No artificial dressing may be used.
4. No weigh in. Weight cards must be turned in on time. There will be no minimum or maximum for turn-in weight on classes. The top two of each class will be weighed back during the class. Gilts and Barrows will each have a 10-lb weigh back.
5. No snaring of animals allowed on grounds.