

GENERAL SHOW RULES

(Effective Beginning October 8, 2025)

1. Livestock Committee. The Sabine County & Agricultural Improvement Youth Foundation Board of Directors reserves, unto its Livestock Committee, the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto and the rights to amend and add to these rules as its judgment may determine.
2. Grievances. All grievances shall be submitted in writing to the Livestock Committee, accompanied by a \$50.00 grievance fee. The fee shall be returned if the grievance settles in favor of complainant. Such grievances must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal, and must be delivered to the Livestock Committee Chairman or designee immediately after the occasion for such protest. Judging procedures will not be interrupted for grievance investigation. No complaint will be considered regarding the competency of the judge or the overlooking of an animal by the judge.
3. Rules Committee. The Livestock Rules Committee consists of ten (10) members selected by the Livestock Committee. The Executive Officers of the Livestock Committee will serve as members of the Rules Committee with four (4) appointed members to be elected by the Livestock Committee. A quorum will consist of at least seven (7) members. Consumer Science Teachers, Agricultural Science Teachers, and County Extension Agents will act as non-voting advisors of the Rules Committee.
4. Disclaimer-The Sabine County & Agricultural Improvement Youth Foundation, Sponsoring Organizations, Board of Directors and/or Livestock Committee will not be held liable from loss or accidents to exhibitors, spectators, or livestock.
5. Exhibitors must be a member in good standing of a Sabine County program to include 4-H, FCCLA, or FFA, and must not have completed their High School Education. The Food Science Division consist of two (2) age groups: Junior Division, 3rd – 8th Grade and Senior Division, 9th - 12th Grade.
6. The Junior Swine, Broiler and Rabbit Divisions are open to Sabine County students in grades Kindergarten through second grade who do not qualify (because of age) to show under Rule 5.
7. Exhibitors may sell no more than two total entries in the Market Classes and Divisions of the Sabine County Junior Livestock Show, including the Consumer Science Division.
8. Exhibitors may exhibit only one entry in each Market Division.
9. All livestock exhibits will be under the direction of the management, but the show will in no case be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.
10. All entries must be submitted on the Sabine County Junior Livestock Show online registration form through the Showman.app website in accordance with the instructions on the forms.
11. Form W-9 (Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification) must be completed and submitted when the registration is completed online and must be turned into the advisor before the livestock show date. The information on the form must be the exhibitor information, not the parents.
12. Entry fees will not be refunded unless notification of cancellation is made in writing prior to the entry closing deadline. A late fee of \$100 will be assessed if the exhibitor registers past the official deadline date. The exhibitor will have a 7 day grace period beyond the official deadline date. ABSOLUTELY no entries will be granted past the grace period date.
13. Steers, swine, goats and lambs will be ear-tagged at the first official weigh-in with a show committee tag or major's show tag.
14. Expense records may be kept by all exhibitors on their projects and turned into their supervisor (FFA Advisor or County Extension Agent) at final weigh-in before the show. Advisor will inform you of this decision.
15. No substitution of any animal will be allowed after entries are closed.
16. Public school students must be academically eligible to participate in extracurricular activities as determined by the University Interscholastic League (UIL) and documentation of such shall be provided by the appropriate supervisor.
17. Private-schooled and home-schooled students must have satisfactorily passed all subjects for the preceding six

(6) weeks grading period.

18. Exhibitors failing to meet academic eligibility guidelines shall not be permitted to exhibit, show, or sell their entries under any circumstances.
19. Exhibitors must show their own animals.
20. A substitute exhibitor may be utilized only in the event that an exhibitor has an illness, injury, family emergency, school sponsored activity or extenuating circumstance that is excusable by the show committee.
21. Exhibitors must show their own animal in showmanship.
22. Showmanship class awards will be determined during the regular show unless otherwise stated by the committee.
23. Exhibitors are responsible for their entries throughout the show. Exhibitor must ensure that their animals are cared for properly, are responsible for guarding and protecting their animals and are responsible for sanitary and aesthetic upkeep of their stalls, pens, and cages.
24. The showing of any animal that has been administered any quantity of diuretic, unapproved growth stimulant or other unapproved medication or that has not been properly withdrawn from approved drugs is prohibited. The show specifically reserves the right to have tissue, blood or urine lab analysis made on any animal entered. In addition, all premium sale projects are subject to testing.
25. Diseased animals and/or animals bearing external parasites will be barred entry into the livestock show grounds. When possible, a licensed veterinarian shall be a member of the sifting committee making such a determination.
26. Unethically fitted and/or shown entries will be barred from showing and competition. This includes, but is not limited to, the use of surgical instruments to alter or tamper with the conformation or appearance of an animal (other than dehorning, castration, hoof trimming, cutting hair or wool), painting, dying of hair or fleece to change breed characteristics, feeding or injecting drugs or depressants to alter an animals behavior, using alcoholic beverages in the feed or drench, insertions of foreign material under the skin, or striking the animal to cause swelling in depressed areas, etc.
27. Sifted and barred animals must be removed from the grounds immediately.
28. Non-premium animals must be removed prior to the premium sale.
29. Judges will have the final authority and discretion to determine if any entry in a particular class or division is of Champion or Reserve premiums.
30. Judges will have the final authority and discretion to determine if an animal is show worthy and/or marketable. Animals not deemed as such will receive a participation ribbon and will not be eligible for the premium sale.
31. Entries will be sold according to their official placing.
32. The Livestock Committee will address the number of market sale animals in regards to several factors including funds available, participation and other factors.
33. Exhibitors must provide proof of delivery of plaques and "thank you" letters to buyers prior to receipt of premium checks. Exhibitors failing to provide such proof within 45 days of receipt of plaques will forfeit their premium.
34. Exhibitors, or their animals, who are in violation of the rules and regulations of the Sabine County Junior Livestock Show will forfeit all awards, premium and sales for animals. Furthermore, the exhibitor will be barred from participation in the show for the following year. If an exhibitor has a second violation (following the year of suspension) the exhibitor, and any members of his family, will be barred from participating in the show indefinitely.

**These rules were amended by the Sabine County Livestock Rules Committee on
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and supersede all prior amendments.**