

NORTH TEXAS FAIR & RODEO

Livestock Show Rules & Regulations

Liability Statement

The North Texas Fair & Rodeo will in no case be responsible for any loss, injury or damage done to, occasioned by, or arising from any animal or article exhibited. The Exhibitor, or Owners shall indemnify and hold harmless the North Texas State Fair Association against all legal or other proceedings in regard thereto, as well as damage or injury to any other person or property, caused by the exhibitor or exhibitor's animals, or arising in any way or connected with the exhibition of the animal. The exhibitor accepts full and complete responsibility for the actions of his or her animals and property and releases and holds harmless the North Texas State Fair Association from all legal liability, both personal and property including injury and/or death or any other damage whatsoever.

Bedding: Outside shavings allowed – NO LARGE FLAKES. Shavings & Pellets are available for purchase in the Livestock Office and on the showman app.

Fans: Electric fans will be permitted but must not block walking aisles. Generators are allowed.

Grooming Chutes: Chutes are allowed but must not block walking aisles.

Pets: Absolutely NO PETS are allowed on the fairgrounds. Assistance dogs will not be allowed with proper identification. This identification should be taken to the Livestock Office immediately upon arrival. Copies will be made for our files.

As per Human Resources Code, Title 8, Chapter 121: Sec. 121.005. Responsibilities of persons with disabilities.

- (a) A person with a disability who uses an assistance animal for assistance in travel is liable for any damage done to the premises or facilities by the animal.
- (b) A person with a disability who uses an assistance animal for assistance in travel or auditory awareness shall keep the animal properly harnessed or leashed, and a person who is injured by the animal because of the failure of a person with a disability to properly harness or leash the animal is entitled to maintain a cause of action for damages in a court of competent jurisdiction under the same law applicable to other causes brought for the redress of injuries caused by animals.

Show Arena Privileges: No person other than the one holding the animal will be allowed in the show ring during the time of judging except the Superintendent, Judge, Official Reporter and required ring workers. Except for exhibitors with special needs, this rule will be rigidly enforced.

OUT OF STATE LIVESTOCK PERMITTED. HEALTH CERTIFICATE REQUIRED ONLY ON OUT OF STATE LIVESTOCK, AND MUST BE ISSUED WITHIN 10 DAYS OF SHOW.

Show Order: The Superintendent, and/or Judge, has the right to change any show order, as deemed necessary before or during any specific livestock show.

Protest: All protests must be in writing and accompanied with a deposit of \$100, which will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. Such a protest must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal and must be delivered to the Superintendent immediately after the occasion resulting in the protest. Any protest of eligibility regarding the age of an animal must be filed with the Superintendent 2 hours before judging begins. All animals must be in place according to the Livestock Show Schedule.

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Stalling: There are no pre-assigned stalls, first come, First Serve.

Miscellaneous Rules & Regulations:

- Jr Heifer Exhibitors may also show in the Open show, with Open show entry fee.
- The official classifier(s) for the Junior Steer Show will review any questionable animals to the class or breed before entering the show arena. If sifted, the animal may show in one of the crossbred classes determined by the classifier(s).
- All owners of property and livestock shall care for, guard, protect and preserve the same as the North Texas State Fair does not undertake to do so, and it shall not be responsible for any loss or damage to said property or the owners thereof.
- Exhibitors will not be allowed to spend the night on the grounds. Night security guards will be on duty during these hours.
- Any animal(s) properly entered in any show class as eligible for competition must be brought into the arena for exhibition unless the reason for their nonappearance in the ring is acceptable to the superintendent in charge. All single breeding cattle and steers for exhibition must be shown with a halter and be sufficiently gentle to be properly handled by an attendant.
- There will be no "showing off the trailer." All animals will be stalled in the barn.
- Inside show barns: Livestock exhibitors are permitted to display a sign over each animal advertising their own herd. Livestock management must approve all other forms of signs or advertising, and they reserve the right to have objectionable signs removed. No sign which reflects in any way commercial product may be placed over any champion, or any livestock exhibit.
- Exhibitors will park trailers only in designated areas. Towing will be enforced. Trailers will be parked on fairgrounds pending weather conditions.
- Designated Livestock Exhibitor parking is located at the Northwest corner of the fairgrounds. There will be shuttle carts to take you to the livestock barn and back. If for any reason there is not a cart available, please let someone in the livestock office know and they will radio for a cart to come pick you up and drop off.
- Parking directly north of the livestock barn is reserved for parking only, and towing will be strictly enforced.
- No outside tie outs or trailer tie outs.
- All animals must remain in stalls in the livestock barn.
- Exhibitors will enter the fairgrounds at the north gate (Carroll Blvd) and unload on the north end of the livestock barn. There is a 15-minute time limit for unloading. Please do not leave vehicles unattended.
- All waste will be put in the commercial waste containers located at the north end of the livestock barn. Violators will be released and removed from the grounds.
- All Division Champions, in all livestock categories, must compete for champion and reserve champion.
- All Beef Cattle Shows – BLOW & SHOW...No glue, adhesives, paint, etc.
- DISORDERLY CONDUCT WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.
- All decisions of the Chairperson will be final, and abuse (verbal or otherwise) towards division Chairpersons, Assistant Chairpersons or Judges, may be cause for the exhibitor and family to be removed from the fairgrounds and not allowed back.
- No RV Trailers / Campers allowed on Grounds.