



Fort Bend County Fair Association

2018 Commercial Crossbred Halter Heifer Show

DIVISIONS

CHAIRMAN: Justin Ernest

CLASS 100 – Brahman Blood	12 – 19 months
CLASS 101 – Brahman Blood	20 – 27 months
CLASS 102 – Non-Brahman Blood	12 – 19 months
CLASS 103 – Non-Brahman Blood	20 – 27 months

ONLINE ENTRY DEADLINE

April 28, 2018

HALTER HEIFER TAG IN

May 5, 2018, Fort Bend County Fairgrounds
BARN H 7:00 – 9:30 a.m.

VETERINARIAN PREGNANCY VERIFICATION STATEMENT

No earlier than August 31, 2018

RECORD BOOK TURN IN

September 6, 2018 5:00 p.m.

CHECK IN

Halter Heifers

September 27, 2018 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

JUDGING

Halter Heifer Judging
Showmanship Judging

September 28, 2018 11:00 a.m.
Upon completion of Halter Heifer Judging

COMMERCIAL HEIFER SALE

September 29, 2018 1:00 p.m.

CHECK OUT /All Classes

September 30, 2018 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

AWARDS:

- Grand Champion Commercial Halter Heifer - Buckle & Banner
- Reserve Champion Commercial Halter Heifer – Buckle & Banner
- Senior Commercial Halter Heifer Showmanship - Buckle
- Junior Commercial Halter Heifer Showmanship - Buckle
- Senior Reserve Commercial Halter Heifer Showmanship – Trophy
- Junior Reserve Champion Commercial Halter Heifer Showmanship - Trophy
- Vouchers will be awarded to the following places:
1st - \$100; 2nd - \$75; and 3rd - \$50 in Record Book, Halter, and Pen of Two.

RULES:

1. The entries and awards in this department are subject to the Fort Bend County Fair Association General Rules and Regulations and the Livestock General Rules and Regulations.
2. All animals must remain in Fort Bend County unless written notification is received at the Fort Bend County Fair Office prior to departure. Leaving county forms are attached to exhibit rules. This notification must state where the animal will be and for how long. **Absence from the county must have special permission from the Livestock Chairman and Division Chairman/Co-Chairman. Notification form must be signed and approved by the**

Livestock Chairman and Division Chairman/Co-Chairman and be filed at the Fair Office prior to animal leaving the county. Failure to abide by this rule will result in removal of project from show.

The animal must remain in the daily care of the exhibitor during the absence from the county, unless permission has been granted by the Division Chairman/Co-Chairman. This rule applies to leaving the county for TCCA shows, or any other related shows, grooming, hoof-trimming or vet care. If an animal must leave Fort Bend County for emergency vet care, the Division Chairman or Co-Chairman must be notified within 48 hours.

3. Prior to tag-in exhibitors are required to submit their entry online at <https://fbcfa.fairwire.com> no later than April 28, 2018. All heifers will be officially entered, ear tagged for identification and aged on **Saturday, May 5, 2018 from 7:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.** at the Fort Bend County Fairgrounds – Barn H. Each exhibitor shall pay a \$10 entry fee for first heifer tagged in and an additional \$5 tag fee for each additional heifer tagged in the halter division. All fees must be paid at tag in and all paperwork must be submitted at this time.
4. A signed statement from breeder as to the age, date of purchase of heifer, vaccination verification by metal ear tag And tattoo for Brucellosis must be presented at the tag in on **Saturday, May 5, 2018**. Metal ear tag shall also be visible at fair check-in
5. All Halter Heifers must be halter broken prior to exhibiting at the Fair.
6. Record books MUST be turned in by **Thursday, September 6, 2018**. Record books will be forwarded to a judge prior to the Fair to be judged. Any exhibitor not turning in a record book will be ineligible to show at the Fort Bend County Fair. Record Book forms will be available at the entry/tag-in.
7. a) All Halter Heifers 18 months and older must be safe in calf in order to check in and sell, but not have calved by **Thursday, September 27, 2018**. Exhibitor must have a Veterinarian statement at time of check in for verification. This statement must be dated no earlier than 30 days prior to check in.
b) The Halter Heifer Division will be broken into classes at tag-in as follows:
 - Brahman – age 12-19 months
 - Brahman – age 20-27 months
 - Non-Brahman – age 12-19 months
 - Non-Brahman – age 20-27 monthsClassifiers will be at check-in on September 27, 2018 to determine Brahman or Non-Brahman. Brahman Characteristics are as follows:
Acceptable Breed Characteristics:
 - Any color pattern
 - Progression of importance to include Bos Indicus head, eye and hear of moderate length, slightly dropping and opens forward and down
 - Crest or slick neck
 - Sheath score of 2 or more**Discriminatory Breed Characteristics:**
 - Bos Taurus head
 - Bos Taurus short ear
 - Bos Taurus eye
 - Sheath score of 1***Non-Brahman***
 - Any heifer not included in the Brahman category
8. All Commercial Heifers may be subject to having teeth checked to verify age by the Fair Veterinarian.
13. Any heifer calving prior to check in, **Thursday, September 27, 2018** will be ineligible to show in the Commercial Heifer Show.
14. Only Show Officials will be allowed to assist exhibitors during sifting or judging. Any halter heifer that is unmanageable by the exhibitor in a manner that results in the animal getting away from the exhibitor more than two times will be tied to the rail for final judging. As such, the exhibitor will not be eligible for showmanship.
15. **This will be a Blow and Go Show.**
16. **Hay must be fed in hay bags. No hay on the ground.**

17. Showmanship will be for Halter Classes only and will be held immediately after judging. Halter Heifer exhibitors will be divided into two classes for the purpose of showmanship judging: Junior (3rd – 8th Grade) and Senior (9th – 12th Grade).
18. a) An information sale form will be provided for all Commercial Heifer exhibitors. All exhibitors MUST fill out the form and turn it in at check in at the Fair. If the form is not turned in at check in, the exhibitor will be ineligible to SHOW at the Commercial Heifer Show.
b) The Vet Statement date will be used to determine age of unborn calf for auction.
19. The Commercial Heifer Show will be a terminal show. All exhibits will be sold in the Commercial Heifer Auction unless in violation of Rule #6.
- 20. Judges decision is final.**
21. Sale order will be determined by percentage of heifer in each class.
22. **Check out for ALL COMMERCIAL HEIFERS will be on Sunday, September 30, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. as outlined in the Fort Bend County Fair Livestock Schedule. Exhibitors must attend to clean pens and/or stalls before receiving release form.**

MEMO: Heifers DO NOT have to be purchased within Fort Bend County.

All exhibits must be owned by the exhibitor. All exhibits must be an actual part of the exhibitor's current project under his or her individual management and/or regular daily care. Net profits must terminate with exhibitor. Exhibitors must present evidence of ownership from the date of validation of the project initiation as required by the various departments.

All exhibitors must comply with the general rules of the Livestock Department and the Fort Bend County Fair. All exhibitors must have a minors release on file in the fair office in order to participate in activity on the fairgrounds, only one release per exhibitor per year is required.

All sellers must submit a thank you letter to his/her buyer which must be received at the Fair Office on or before October 18th before auction payment will be released for mailing. Fair Office will forward thank you letter to buyer.

- Auction payments will not be released until Buyer Thank-You Notes and required paperwork is received by Fair Office.
- Auction checks will be mailed on or before November 30, 2018.



**FORT BEND COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION
2018 FAIR VETERINARIANS' STATEMENT**

Exhibitor Name: _____

Club: _____

I CERTIFY THAT THE FOLLOWING HEIFER(S) ARE SAFE IN CALF:

TAG # _____ MONTHS BRED: _____

TAG # _____ MONTHS BRED: _____

TAG # _____ MONTHS BRED: _____

VETERINARIAN NAME: _____

SIGNATURE

DATE