

# MARKET STEER DIVISION



Entry Deadline -----January 15  
Entry Fee -----\$30.00  
Delivery to Show Grounds ----- 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday, March 11  
-----8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12  
Scales will be open -----10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12  
Sifting/Classifying ----- 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 13  
Judging----- [Event Center Arena] 7:00 a.m., Friday, March 15  
Showmanship ----- Following Judging, Friday, March 15  
Load Out ----- 10:00 a.m., Sunday, March 17

## MARKET STEER DIVISION RULES

*Notice to Exhibitors: All sifted steers must be removed from the Showgrounds immediately after sifting. All others must be consigned by the exhibitor and or buyer to the processing plant, individual, etc. assigned by the Show Management. Violation of this rule will result in exhibitor being barred from future shows.*

1. All steers must have been validated on or before July 1, 2018, with a legible nose print, ear tag, ear tattoo, and completed Validation Form. **Validation tags must be in steers' ear prior to arriving on showgrounds. ONLY A VALIDATION TAG SHOULD BE PRESENT IN THE EAR. REMOVE ALL OTHER TAGS BEFORE SIFT.** Steers without an official Texas Steer Validation will be ineligible to show. A copy of the validation form must be attached to the Entry Certification Form.
2. Each exhibitor must be a bona fide member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and be enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County and in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club by November 1, 2018 thru the Show period.
3. Exhibitors must be in the third grade or at least nine years old, but under 20 years of age as of January 1, 2019.

4. All steers must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and continuously cared for by the exhibitor from July 1, 2018, thru the Show date, under the supervision of AST, CEA or 4-H Club manager.
5. An exhibitor may enter only one steer. Number of State validation tag, breed of steer and breed of sire and dam must be shown on the entry application.
6. Any animal, which is found to have been entered in another show under a different exhibitor's name, other than the name entered in this Show, will be declared ineligible. Any animal that has gone through the auction at another show is ineligible for this Show. Market Steers found to have evidence of more than one validation, will be ineligible to show unless the proper Change of Ownership Forms are recorded, reflecting why there is evidence of more than one validation and that the previous validation(s) have been canceled.
7. Exhibitors must declare animal weight at the time they Sift and Classify. The weight listed on the Weight Card will become that animal's official declared weight to be used for weigh back and selling purposes. Exhibitors must complete the Weight Card to include declared weight and state validation tag number.
8. Any steer showing more than normal fill at weighing time will be sifted by Show Officials.
9. The act of artificially filling animals internally by stomach pumping, is prohibited and will result in disqualification of the animal.
10. Steers must meet the following requirements or be sifted:
  - A. Must weigh at least 1,050 pounds. There will be no top weight limit.
  - B. Must be creditable from standpoints of types, quality finish and breed characteristics.
  - C. Must be free of grub or grub damage.
  - D. Must be dehorned and show no secondary horn growth.
  - E. Must be trained to lead and handle properly. Nose leads will be permitted during sifting and judging. Any steer that is wild or requires handling by more than one person at weighing and sifting may be sifted. During the show, such animals may be removed from the ring.
  - F. All steers must be shorn prior to arrival at the Show grounds. Hair must not exceed 1/4 inch on any location of the body excluding the tail switch. (Tail switch is defined as no more than 10 inches above the end of the cartilage of the tail.) No trimming on the grounds with power equipment will be permitted. ALL STEERS MUST BE CLEAN AT THE TIME OF SIFTING.
11. A steer, which in the opinion of the Classifiers does not have predominant breed characteristics of the class in which it is entered, may be sifted from the Show or with the approval of the Division Superintendent and Show Management moved by the Classifiers to the class which in their opinion the animal is eligible to be entered.
12. No change of the major color pattern of a steer by painting or dying will be allowed. Any steer groomed with material that allows color to come off the steer will not be allowed in the Show.
13. Decision of Official Veterinarian, classifier and/or sifter will be final and no protests will be considered by the Show Management.
14. Any steer may be designated for re-weigh at any time determined by the Steer Superintendent. Any steer weighing more or less than 5% of his initial official show weight will become ineligible for any award or placing. All Breed Champions and Reserve Breed Champions will be re-weighed before Grand Champion judging.

15. No one but exhibitors and Show Officials will be allowed in the show ring or on the Arena Director's stand during sifting and judging. There is to be no feeding, drenching or watering in the arena during the judging.
16. Steers must remain in their assigned stalls from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. except during sifting and judging and being prepared for judging. Stalls will be located in the Middle Barn
17. Crossbreed is defined as a steer whose sire and dam are of different breeds.
18. After sifting and weighing, steers will be divided by the following breeds: **Brahman Purebred/ Brahman Cross**, Santa Gertrudis and Santa Gertrudis Crossbreeds, Simbrah, ABC (American Breeds & Crossbreeds), Charolais & Charolais Crossbreeds, Chianina (provided there are ten steers entered in competition) Maine Anjou, AOB (British & European Breeds), and put in classes as nearly equal in number as possible according to the following schedule. All steers of the same weight will be put in the lower weight group.
 

1 - 10 entries -----	1 class
11 - 20 entries -----	2 classes
21 - 35 entries -----	3 classes
36 - 50 entries -----	4 classes
51 & Over -----	5 classes
19. All Market Steers will be sold to the person or company submitting the highest bid. Sifted steers must be removed from the show grounds immediately after sifting.
20. First place steers in each breed class will compete for Breed Champion, second place winner in class which produced the Breed Champion will compete with remaining first place steers of the breed for Reserve Breed Champion.
21. The Steer Committee may collect a hair and/or blood sample from any steer entered in the Show for the purpose of conducting a DNA analysis. Any steer not having a positive match from the DNA analysis of this hair sample compared to the DNA analysis of the hair sample taken from it at the time of enrollment in the validation program will be disqualified.
22. Judging of the Market Steers will take place Friday, March 15 at 7:00 a.m. in the Event Center Arena. Followed by Showmanship.

## STEER CLASSES

Except for Purebred Brahman Steers, eligibility for the following classes will be based solely on visible characteristics as determined by classifier(s) appointed by the Show management. (See Rule 11)

### **BRAHMAN PUREBRED & BRAHMAN CROSS STEERS**

Steers must be purebred Brahman or Brahman Cross. Registration papers (*Purebred's Only*) of Sire and Dam must accompany the Entry Certification and ShoWorks receipt. Animals must be purchased from, **but are not limited to**, the four counties of Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr & Willacy.

## **SANTA GERTRUDIS & SANTA GERTRUDIS CROSSBRED STEERS**

Steers must show a predominance of Santa Gertrudis characteristics indicating the animal is 50% or more Santa Gertrudis.

## **SIMBRAH STEERS**

Steers must have a minimum of  $\frac{1}{4}$  and/or a maximum of  $\frac{3}{4}$  Simmental and Brahman characteristics and features with no other breed represented. No identification or registration numbers will be required.

## **ABC STEERS (AMERICAN BREEDS AND CROSSES)**

This Class will encompass the American Breeds and their Crosses such as Brahman, Brahmousin, Red Brangus, Black Brangus, Charbray, and Beefmaster.

## **CHAROLAIS AND CHAROLAIS CROSSBREED STEERS**

Steers must show a predominance of Charolais characteristics indicating the animal is 50% or more Charolais.

## **CHIANINA STEERS**

(A class will be created provided there are 10 animals entered in competition)

Must exhibit Chianina influence in head and skeleton; Any shade of black, red, gray or yellow; Brindles, baldies, blaze face and motleys; Head tends to be narrow through the center part of the skull and exhibits a longer muzzle; Muscle conformation tends to be smooth, not coarse or excessively round. Skeleton tends to be lighter and smoother jointed. *Discriminatory Breed Characteristics:* Coarse joints or skeleton; Excessive spotting above the underline. *Absolute Disqualifications:* Appears to be a purebred of any other breed

## **MAINE-ANJOU STEERS**

Steers must be  $\frac{1}{2}$  blood or more Maine-Anjou and must exhibit predominant characteristics of the breed.

## **AOB STEERS (ALL OTHER BREEDS)**

This Class will encompass those steers that have European and British bloodlines and all crosses between them with no visible evidence of Brahman blood allowed. Breed of sire and dam must be shown on the entry application.

Breed Champions-----Scholarship, Belt Buckle & Rosette  
Reserve Breed Champions-----Rosette  
Grand Champion-----Belt Buckle, Trophy & Banner  
Reserve Grand Champion-----Trophy & Banner  
(Reserve Champion of breed that furnished the Grand Champion will compete with remaining Breed Champions for Reserve Grand Champion.)

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

## SCHEDULE OF PREMIUM AWARDS

Premium will be based on the number of head showing in each class:

1 - 10 Entries ----- To 5th Place  
11 - 20 Entries----- To 10th Place  
21 - 30 Entries ----- To 15th Place  
Over 30 Entries ----- To 20th Place

<b><u>PLACING</u></b>	<b><u>PREMIUM</u></b>
4 -----	\$47
5 -----	\$46
6 -----	\$45
7 -----	\$44
8 -----	\$43
9 -----	\$42
10-----	\$41
11-----	\$40
12-----	\$39
13-----	\$38
14-----	\$37
15-----	\$36
16-----	\$35
17-----	\$34
18-----	\$33
19-----	\$32
20-----	\$31

## STEER DIVISION SHOWMANSHIP

All exhibitors of steers are eligible to compete. Exhibitor must show own steer for showmanship and exhibitor number is required. Exhibitors will be divided into three age groups

15 years old and  
over 12 to 14 years  
of age  
8 to 11 years of age  
As of day of contest

Awards will be made on the basis of showmanship, neatness of exhibitor, show condition and behavior of animal. Prizes will be awarded in each age group as follow:

1st place ----- \$415.00 and Belt Buckle  
2nd place ----- \$390.00 and ribbon  
3rd place ----- \$365.00 and ribbon  
4th place----- \$340.00 and ribbon  
5th place----- \$315.00 and ribbon