

TURKEY DIVISION RULES

1. All turkey entries are subject to the General Rules of the Walker County Fair.
2. Only students who are in 4H or FFA will be eligible for entry.
3. One entry per exhibitor. One entry consists of one turkey, (HEN ONLY).
4. Each bird must weigh at least fifteen pounds with no maximum weight.
5. Turkeys will be sifted prior to entry in to show. This sift will consist of a check for breast blisters, bruises, and weight. Any bird not appearing healthy will be sifted.
6. The first turkey presented to the sifter will be the pen. No substitutions.
7. The intent to show forms and the fair entry form with parent signature are due to the Poultry Committee no later than August 1st. Along with the forms each exhibitor will pay the following fees: \$4.25 per bird and livestock entry fee. The exhibitors name on the intent to show form must match the name on the original order form when order is placed. If a family ordered together, each family members name must be listed on the intent to show form. All turkeys will be ordered through Texas A&M University.
8. Turkeys will be ordered for each exhibitor with a minimum of 25 and a maximum of 75 (In increments of 25 only). The number of turkeys desired needs to be on the intent to show form.
9. The estimated pick up time frame for turkeys is within the first two weeks of November. Wing band numbers must be turned into the Poultry Committee the day the turkeys are received. No turkey will be shown without the wing band in place. Bands will be checked for number and condition at the time of show.
10. Turkey check-in time will be from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. on the day of the show. All turkeys must be in place by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the show. After birds are placed in pens, either the exhibitor or one family member may be in the roped off area until the show starts and birds are called for judging. All exhibitors are responsible for providing feed and water for their turkey.
11. The turkey show will begin immediately following the broiler show.
12. Immediately after completion of the turkey show, exhibitors must remove all birds from their pen with the exception of the Grand and Reserve Champion Turkey. Any exhibitor that does not remove their bird by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the show, will be charged a disposal fee of \$50.00 that will be deducted out of their Fair check.
13. Turkeys will be judged from 1-24 places. Only birds placing 1-15 will be sold in the premium sale. Immediately after the steer judging, exhibitors of birds 1-15 must tell the Livestock Office if they will not sell their turkeys. In case of withdrawal, the next ranking turkey will become eligible.
14. Only Grand and Reserve Champion turkey are to remain on display. These exhibitors are responsible for feeding and watering their bird along with cleaning the area around their pen. If any of these exhibitors do not pick-up their bird by 8:30 a.m. on the pick-up day they will be charged a disposal fee of \$50.00 that will be deducted out of their Fair check.
15. All selling exhibitors will be responsible for cleaning and dressing their bird sold at the auction. At the time of the sale, each exhibitor must contact the buyer to find out the disposition of the bird.
16. The exhibitor will be informed where to take the dressed bird, and delivery must be completed before the exhibitor receives any sale money. Prior to receiving the sale money, each exhibitor must show a copy of a thank-you letter written to the buyer.

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