

Henderson County Livestock Show
General Rules and Regulations

1. The Henderson County Livestock Show Association reserves to its Board of Directors the final right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with, or incident to the show. The Board has the final authority on all financial matters.
2. Any false representation, interference, ungentlemanly conduct or violation of the following rules will result in a forfeit of all privileges and premiums and to be subject to such penalty as the Board of Directors may order.
3. In county entries for everything except the Queen & Princess Contest and the Livestock Judging Contest must be in the Association's Secretary's Office no later than 5:00 p.m., Entry Deadline Date. Entry forms are available through the Association's Secretary's Office or the web site, hclsathens.com. No in county entries will be accepted after deadline designated. Any exhibitor that does not turn in their entries with their club/charter will be subject to pay a \$10.00 late fee per entry.
4. See Show Schedules for arrival times of animals. All entries and set ups shall remain in place until 10:30 on Saturday. **Revised 7/17/2023**
5. Entry fees must accompany entry forms. No entry will be accepted unless correct entry fees accompany it. Entry fee money will be used to help defray expenses of the show. Livestock for junior exhibitors only will be charged regular entry fee. Junior exhibitor's entries must be signed by their respective 4-H leader, FFA instructor, or County Extension Agent.
6. No refunds on entry fees will be made after closing date of entry.
7. Exhibitors must furnish feed and care for animals and keep animals in presentable condition throughout the show. Bedding for livestock, **must** be purchased from the HCFP. No outside bedding will be allowed. **Revised 7/17/2023**

8. The Show committees and sponsors will not be responsible for loss or damage to exhibits. Due precautions and ample facilities will be provided to insure safety.

9. Ribbons will be awarded at the time of showing. Awards will be presented at time of identification of award winners.

10. Entry regulations for health will follow specifically the Texas Animal Health Commission rules.

11. All protests must be in writing and accompanied by a deposit of \$100.00 (in cash) which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Superintendents will have full and complete charge of all livestock in their respective departments. A protest fee must be deposited in order to by-pass a superintendent's ruling.

12. The Premium Auction sale order will be as follows: Grand Champion Market Steer, Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer, Grand Champion Market Hog, Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog, Grand Champion Market Lamb, Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb, Grand Champion Pen of Broilers, Reserve Grand Champion Pen of Broilers, Grand Champion Pen of Fryers, Reserve Grand Champion Pen of Fryers, Grand Champion Market Goat, Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat, Grand Champion Shop Project, Reserve Grand Champion Shop Project, Grand Champion Senior Project, Grand Champion Junior Project, followed (according to placing in classes in order of heavy weight classes down) by remaining steers, market hogs, lambs, broilers, fryers, and goats.

13. All trimming chutes will be set up in designated areas only.

14. No alcoholic beverages will be allowed on grounds.

15. August 31st will be the designated date to determine age of contestants on all entries.

16. At 12:00 midnight or after the conclusion of the last official event, whichever is later, all non-exhibitors will be removed from the fairgrounds, gates will be locked and no one will be allowed on or off the grounds until 5:00 a.m. the next morning. Any exhibitor staying after midnight must be accompanied by a parent. The night security committee has full and complete responsibility to control security during each night of the Henderson County Livestock Show.

17. Adult or commercial cattle breeders may display their livestock during the show for a \$50.00 fee. An exhibitor will furnish his own pens and place animals only in a designated area. **Revised 7/17/2023**

18. Each exhibitor is limited to two (2) units or entries through the Premium Auction, except in the case where an individual exhibitor is the owner of three or more Grand and/or Reserve Champion entries or one of the entries is from the Shop or Youth Project Show Divisions. **Revised 8/23/2019**

19. All cattle must be on exhibit at designated tie area from **9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** **Revised 7/17/2023**

20. There will be a two (2) percent deduction made from the gross proceeds on all animals sold in HCLS Premium Auction. **Revised 7/17/2023**

21. The Henderson County Livestock Show Association will meet the 2nd Monday in May for the election of officers and setting of dates for the following year's show. Also, in odd years the submitting of any rule changes for consideration at the July meeting. These changes must be typed and presented to the Vice- President of the event. Any changes adopted will be copied and passed out to the general membership. The **Past** President must appoint a nominating committee and show date committee within 10 days of the conclusion of the Livestock Show and these committees must have their recommendations for the May meeting. The Association meets the second (2) Monday of every odd month. No officer may hold the same office for more than two (2) years, with the exception of the secretary, treasurer, and assistant secretary. **Revised 7/17/2023**

22. Animals sold through the Premium Auction will go to their specified destination as indicated by the buyer on the official sale ticket. Any animal

sent to a destination other than the floor or a designated processor will be loaded out at the convenience of the superintendent at a time to be determined and posted by that superintendent. These projects will stay in their appointed stall until that time. This will apply to all animals that weigh out as well as those that do not make the sale. Animals sold through the Premium Auction will go to their specified destination as indicated by the buyer on the official sale ticket. In the case of multiple buyers, all buyers must agree to any destination changes.

23. No substitutions may be made in any division after validation or entry date **(this will include all market, breeding, shop, or project show entries)**. All validated market animals can be entered under the names of all immediate family members at the time of validation. Example: Leslie or Doug or Jessica Richardson. **Revised 7/17/2023**
24. Substitute exhibitors will be accepted only by board approval. The original **exhibitor** must also present a letter from **his/her** school stating why **he/she** cannot exhibit. Any other emergency substitution must be approved by the board. All substitute exhibitors must be from the same club or chapter of the original exhibitor. If an exhibitor is ineligible, their animal is ineligible. It is the responsibility of the FFA advisor and the 4H leader to ensure eligibility. **Revised 7/17/2023**
25. All market animals will be weighed during the week of the show according to the show schedule set by committee.
26. All information on entry cards must match exactly with name, tag number, color, and chapter of club. Failure to do so will result in immediate sifting from show.
27. All animals at the show will be available for the Livestock Judging Contest upon notification of the owner. If the owner cannot be reached, the 4-H or FFA leader must be notified.
28. Any exhibitor caught fighting on fairgrounds will be asked to leave with his/her exhibit/project.

29. Only exhibitors and their animals will be allowed in show and sale ring. Any unruly animal will be disqualified at the discretion of the judge.
30. No dogs will be allowed on show grounds with exception for seeing-eye dogs, unless there is a dog show on fairgrounds.
31. Any animal that has been consigned to a Premium Auction in another county show may not be shown in the Henderson County Livestock Show.
32. The bump rule will apply to all market animals.
33. All animals to be validated at our show cannot be shown at 2 county shows.
34. All Henderson County Livestock Show Premium Auction checks for 4-H and FFA projects will be sent to the Henderson County Livestock Show Secretary. Any 4-H or FFA member participating in the Henderson County Livestock Show that sells his/her animal(s) in the Premium Auction must turn in a thank you letter, in a stamped addressed envelope, to his/her respective club manager/ advisor before receiving their checks.
35. No paid professional fitter allowed. **Revised 7/17/2023**
36. All livestock will be fitted by an exhibitor, 4-H Leader, Extension Agent, Parent, or FFA Advisor. **Revised 7/17/2023**
37. Each 4-H and FFA Chapter may have an item on display throughout the show to be auctioned off at the Silent Auction as a fund raiser for their club or chapter.
38. The show secretary will submit a “written summary” to all leaders before validation is official. **Revised 7/17/2023**
39. All projects are the sole responsibility of the exhibitor until the project is sold and delivered to the appropriate pen.

40. No project may be housed and/or cared for outside of Henderson County, Cayuga ISD, Frankston ISD, or Mabank ISD after validation. Any exceptions to this rule will have to be approved by the Superintendent and the Board. Any project is subject to premise inspection at any time by the Superintendent and a group of his or her choosing. **Revised 7/7/2017**
41. There will be no tents, tarps, complete corrals or any structure used to house any livestock, or any other purpose, during the Henderson County Livestock Show. All cattle are to remain on halter for the duration of the show. Any exception must be board approved and supervised in a particular location. Anyone unable to comply with these rules can be excused from the grounds and not allowed to participate. **Revised 7/17/2023**
42. No horses will be allowed in the cattle and hog barns or the JD Lewis arena for any reason during show week. Conversely, no other livestock or animals will be allowed in the Main arena or the front barn until the conclusion of the Horse Show Tuesday. **Revised 7/17/2023**
43. Any candidate seeking nomination for a position on the Board of Directors must have attended at least 3 of the general membership meetings within the current fiscal year (June 1-May 31) for their name to be considered for nomination in the upcoming year. **Revised 7/17/2023**

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