

MARKET GOATS

ENTRY DEADLINE: AUGUST 29, 2008

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00

DIRECTOR IN CHARGE: Don Nowak
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2008 RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All goat entries are subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Austin County Fair and to the rules governing the Youth Auction Sale.
2. All goats in this show and sale must have been fed and cared for by the exhibitor in an approved location for the show. Feeding, fitting and handling of goats will be limited to exhibitor, immediate family members, Austin County Extension Agents or Bellville, Brazos or Sealy FFA/Ag teachers. Rule 20 in the General Livestock Rules and Regulations will be strictly enforced. If the exhibitor does not meet the qualification above, the exhibitor will be disqualified from the show and sale.
3. Any breed or cross bred wether goat may be shown.
4. All goats will be judged on their quality as a meat goat.
5. Goat exhibitors may exhibit two (2) entries in this division and will be allowed no backup animal and will be ineligible to show in any other division.
6. All goats must be properly identified with tattoos and ear tags by July 19, 2008. Family tagging will be allowed in 2008. This will be interpreted as immediate family living in the same household. All goats must be in their designated locations by July 19, 2008 (refer to validation form).

There will be only one tagging date. It will be July 19, 2008 at the Austin County Fairgrounds from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
7. There will be a mandatory progress show on August 24, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. at the Austin County Fairgrounds. Goats must be present at the progress show to be eligible to show at the Austin County Fair. All goats should be exhibited by their owners unless he or she is physically challenged and unable to do so.
8. All goats must be carrying their milk teeth in normal position with no permanent teeth showing at the time of weigh-in.

9. **Goats must be dehorned. No tipped or sawed off horns will be allowed.** Scur will be allowed not to exceed 3/8" measured at the shaved hairline.
10. No external parasites will be allowed. If goat is found to have external parasites, it will be disqualified and the exhibitor asked to remove the goat from the grounds.
11. No artificial paints, powders or coloring may be used on goats. Goats must be uniformly sheared with hair no longer than 3/8 inch above the knee and hock joints before arrival on the grounds. Goats may have longer hair on the end of the tail. No clipping of goats will be allowed on the grounds. No shears or blow dryers will be allowed on the grounds.
12. Exhibitors are responsible for confining and keeping their animals in the assigned pens. The Austin County Fair will not be held responsible for any animals getting out of the assigned pens. Some goats may need to be tied.
13. Minimum weight shall be 60 pounds.
14. A re-weigh must be requested immediately and approved by the goat weigh-in committee. The animal will be backed off, scale cleaned and re-balanced for the re-weigh. Second weight will become official and non-challengeable.

All goats will move in and be weighed on Tuesday, October 7, 2008, from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Goats will be sifted at the scales individually. Sift Judge(s) decision will be final. Scur will be limited to 3/8" measured at the shaved hairline. Each exhibitor must declare ownership before entering the scales. Goats sifted must be removed from the Fairgrounds immediately after sifting. Judging will be on Wednesday, October 8, 2008, immediately following the Market Lamb Show.

15. Classes will be determined by weight. Classes will be Light, Medium, Medium-Heavy and Heavy Weight and will be determined after weigh in.
16. Absolutely no feed or water buckets are allowed in the goat pens. All goats must be fed by 9:00 a.m. every day. Goats must be kept in their assigned pens 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 12, 2008. Show boxes can be removed between 10:00 a.m. - noon on Sunday, or after all animals have been removed from the barn.
17. Sifted and second goats must have a release slip from the committee chairman before the goat leaves the fairgrounds. The second goat may leave the fairgrounds immediately after the show. However, if it does not leave immediately after the show, the goat **MUST** stay at the fairgrounds until Sunday, October 12, 2008, after 1:00 p.m. **LOAD OUT DESIGNATIONS MUST BE FINALIZED BY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2008 AT 6:00 P.M.**
18. If an exhibitor shows two (2) animals in this division and chooses to sell in the Youth

Auction Sale (Grand Champion and/or Reserve Champion must sell), they must sell their highest placing goat.

19. All exhibitors will be eligible to show in showmanship. The classes will be divided according to exhibitor's age on show date. Juniors will be ages 8 to 13 and Seniors will be ages 14 and over.