

# **YOUTH AUCTION SALE**

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

### **SPONSORED BY THE AUSTIN COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION**

In order to hold the number of sales to one that will encourage good prices for all livestock, poultry and rabbits and will give every 4-H and FFA member a chance to participate in the sale, the Austin County Fair Association has adopted the following rules for the 2008 4-H and FFA Youth Auction Sale.

All entries not sold in the Youth Auction are eligible for sale on the resale truck, if the exhibitor notifies the Fair Office by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 9, 2008. Otherwise, the exhibitor will be responsible for all animals left.

The Youth Auction Sale will be limited to a total of 299 lots.

1. Each 4-H club and FFA member shall be limited to one sale lot. If the exhibitor has more than one entry eligible for the sale, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to let the Fair Office know which animal he/she wishes to sell. If the exhibitor does not let the Fair Office know which one he/she wishes to sell, the sales committee will select the first one that comes from the following order:  
1<sup>st</sup> Steer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Swine, 3<sup>rd</sup> Lamb, 4<sup>th</sup> Poultry, 5<sup>th</sup> Rabbits, 6<sup>th</sup> Horses, 7<sup>th</sup> Commercial Heifer, 8<sup>th</sup> Goat.
2. Only animals passing sifting and subject to other regulations will be sold in the Youth Auction Sale.
3. All sales in the Youth Auction Sale shall be limited to 4-H club and FFA members. Members must be a permanent resident in Austin County or be enrolled in a public, private, or home school in Austin County. Exhibitor must be a member in good standing and be in compliance with all rules and guidelines of a 4-H club or FFA chapter in Austin County and not have graduated high school.
4. If an exhibitor sells an animal at an adjacent county fair within 60 days prior to the Austin County Fair, he/she is ineligible to show or sell another market animal at the Austin County Fair. This does not include major livestock shows.
5. All animals in this sale must have been fed and cared for by the exhibitor.
6. All 4-H club and FFA members, who have animals, poultry or rabbits in this sale, shall be responsible for their animals, poultry and rabbits and their feed and the care of the same until they have been delivered to the respective buyers by the seller.

7. All exhibit areas are to be cleaned and animals, including poultry and rabbits, fed by 9:00 A.M. each morning. No loose hay will be permitted on the floor of the stall or in the livestock barn. If an exhibitor fails to keep his or her exhibit area or animals, including poultry and rabbits, clean on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, he or she will be exempt from the Youth Auction Sale. On Saturday or Sunday, a \$50.00 fee will be charged to have the area cleaned, and this fee will be deducted from the exhibitor's sale check. A committee has been appointed to enforce this rule.
8. There will be a 5% deduction from all sales through the 4-H club and FFA Auction Sale, including resale animals, donations and added money, which will be used to help defray the expenses of the Youth Auction Sale. All sale lots will have an additional \$10.00 deducted for pictures which will be presented to the buyers after the county fair.
9. Each seller in the Youth Auction Sale and resale will receive his/her check for the sale lot or resale by mail from the Austin County Fair Association.
10. All Grand Champions and Reserve Champions in the junior market show must be sold in the Auction Sale unless the sale contradicts rule number one (1) above.
11. Any animals sold in the Youth Auction Sale will not be certified as an entry from this county in any other major show or next year's county show.
12. **It is absolutely unethical for anyone to ask the buyer of an exhibit to donate or sell back a sale lot to the exhibitor. The Fair Board will not tolerate exhibitors asking for animals to be donated or sold back.**
13. All entries will be exhibited and sold by their owners unless he or she is physically or academically unable to do so. Exhibits to be shown or sold by someone other than the owner must be approved in writing by the respective committee chairman and be an eligible Austin County 4-H or FFA Member. Forms will be available in the Fair Office.
14. No Pass Out (PO) will be allowed in any department.
15. ALL EXHIBITORS MUST HAVE A STAMPED, ADDRESSED AND UNSEALED THANK YOU NOTE TO THEIR BUYERS AND TROPHY SPONSORS IN THE FAIR OFFICE TO BE MAILED BY THE FAIR OFFICE BEFORE NOVEMBER 1, OR THEIR SALE CHECK WILL NOT BE ISSUED.