

**FORT BEND COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION
2010 GOAT SHOW**

CHAIRMAN: Jim Smith

TAG-IN	Saturday, July 10, 2010	7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
GOAT CHECK-IN	Thursday, September 23, 2010	6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
JUDGE GOATS	Friday, September 24, 2010	6:00 p.m.
CHECK-OUT	Sunday, October 3, 2010	8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

MARKET MEAT GOAT, ANY BREED:

The top twenty (20) placing goats will be included in the Junior Livestock Auction. The next ten (10) placing goats of exhibitors not eligible for the Jr. Livestock Auction may be eligible for the Freezer Sale. (See Freezer Sale Rules for eligibility).

AWARDS:

Grand Champion Goat - Buckle, Banner, Rosette
Reserve Champion Goat - Trophy, Banner, Rosette
Champion Senior Goat Showmanship – Buckle
Reserve Sr. Goat Showmanship - Trophy
Champion Intermediate Goat Showmanship – Buckle
Reserve Intermediate Goat Showmanship - Trophy
Champion Junior Goat Showmanship – Buckle
Reserve Junior Goat Showmanship - Trophy

RULES:

1. All Meat Goats entries are subject to the Fort Bend County Fair Association General Rules and Regulations and the Livestock General Rules and Regulations.
2. Any Breed or Cross Bred Wether or Nanny Goat may be shown. All goats will be judged on their quality as a meat goat.
3. All meat goats must be brought to the Fairgrounds the second Saturday in July for tagging and tattooing from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Wethers or nannies may be tagged. Each exhibitor may tag two goats at tag in but may bring only one to official check in at Fair time. All paperwork must be turned in at tag in and an entry fee of \$10.00 per exhibitor must be paid at this time.
4. No alternates will be allowed at the official weigh in at Fair time.
5. At check in at Fair time, goats must weigh no less than 60 pounds and no more than 125 pounds. Goats will be allowed one weigh in only.
6. For judging, goats will be divided into no more than 5 classes as deemed necessary by the goat Chairman. Classes to be divided as evenly as possible by weight.
7. No artificial paints, powders or coloring may be used on goats. Upon arrival, goats must be sheared with hair no longer than 3/8 inch from the knee up, with exception of the tail switch. **NO SHEARING OR TOUCH UP CLIPPING WILL BE ALLOWED DURING FAIR. Violation of this rule will subject exhibitor to disqualification.**

8. All Market Goats must be dehorned or tipped prior to arrival. If tipped, they must be no smaller than the diameter of a dime. This must be done before they are brought to the Fairgrounds at Fair time. No tipping or dehorning will be allowed on the Fairgrounds.
9. Showmanship classes will be described in rule #17 of the Livestock Department General Rules. Goats may be shown with a collar. No excessive bracing of animals will be allowed.
10. The top twenty (20) placing goats making the premium sale must remain in the barn for the duration of the Fair. Non placing goats may remain to participate in Good Housekeeping. Release of non-placing goats will be the next day at the posted time. Any non-placing goat(s) not checking out at the posted time must remain in the barn for the duration of the Fair.
11. All animals must remain in Fort Bend County unless written notification is received at the Fort Bend County Fair Office prior to departure. (Notification forms are attached to exhibit rules.) This notification must state where the animal will be and for how long. Absence from the county which exceeds 72 hours must have special permission from the Chairman/Co-Chairman. The animal must remain in the daily care of the exhibitor during the absence from the county, unless permission has been granted by the department Chairman/Co-Chairman. This rule applies to leaving the county for TCCA shows, or any other related shows, grooming, hoof-trimming, or vet care. If an animal must leave Fort Bend County for emergency vet care, the Department Chairman or Co-Chairman must be notified within 48 hours.
12. All does exhibiting in this division will have to have a SCRAPIE tag in place in the ear at goat validation on July 10, 2010.
13. No Bedding allowed in pens.
14. Check out for all goats making the Junior Livestock Auction or the Freezer Sale will be on Sunday, October 3, 2010 from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM as outlined in the Fort Bend County Fair Livestock Schedule. **Exhibitors MUST attend to clean up their pen/stall/area and receive their disposition papers.**

All exhibits must be owned by the exhibitor. All exhibits must be an actual part of the exhibitor's current project under his or her individual management and/or regular daily care. Net profits must terminate with exhibitor. Exhibitors must present evidence of ownership from the date of validation of the project initiation as required by the various departments. All exhibitors must comply with the general rules of the livestock department and the Fort Bend County Fair.

All exhibitors must have a minors release on file in the fair office in order to participate in activity on the fairgrounds, only one release per exhibitor per year is required.

All sellers must submit a thank you letter to his/her buyer which must be received at the Fair Office (within 2 weeks after end of Fair) before auction payment will be released for mailing. (Fair Office will forward thank you letter to buyer.)