

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

**CHAIRMAN: Brad Klepac
CO-CHAIRMAN: Michael Poe**

TAG – IN	Saturday, March 27, 2010	
	Fort Bend County Fairgrounds – Barn H	7:00 – 9:00 a.m.
CHECK – IN	Thursday, September 23, 2010	7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
CLASSIFICATION	Immediately following check-in	
STEER SHOW	Saturday, September 25, 2010	6:30 p.m.
CHECK OUT	Sunday, October 3, 2010	8:30 – 10:30 a.m.

THREE DIVISIONS OF STEERS TO BE SHOWN:

**AMERICAN
ENGLISH
AOB**

STEER SHOW

Maximum of twenty seven (27) steers to sell in the Jr. Livestock Auction. The next ten (10) placing steers 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 Steer of each breed classification - Belt Buckle, Banner and Rosette

Reserve Champion Steer of each breed classification - Trophy, Banner and Rosette

Champion Senior Steer Showmanship - Buckle

Reserve Senior Steer Showmanship – Trophy

Champion Intermediate Steer Showmanship – Buckle

Reserve Intermediate Steer Showmanship – Trophy

Champion Junior Steer Showmanship - Buckle

Reserve Junior Steer Showmanship - Trophy

Best Gaining Steer – Trophy will be awarded to the exhibitor whose steer has the best overall weight gain from official tag in date, March 27, 2010 to the weigh in date, September 23, 2010.

RULES

1. All Steer Show entries are subject to the Fort Bend County Fair Association General Rules and Regulations and the Livestock General Rules and Regulations. All steers must be tagged in for entry and weighed on **Saturday, March 27, 2010** at the Fort Bend County Fairgrounds in Barn H between the hours of 7:00 - 9:00 a.m.

2. A ten (\$10.00) dollar entry fee must be paid at tag in and all paperwork must be submitted at this time.

3. Steers will be shown in three breed classifications:

AMERICAN: American Breed characteristics and features must be exhibited. Must exhibit at least 3 of these characteristics: dewlap, ear, hump, or sheath

ENGLISH: **Angus** – Purebred Angus characteristics and features. No scurs. Black color with no white above underline in front of the navel or on the leg.

Hereford – Purebred Horned Hereford characteristics and features.

Polled Hereford – Purebred Polled Hereford characteristics and features. If scurred, scurs must be present and must not have been tampered with.

Red Angus – 100% Purebred 1A Red Angus characteristics and features. No scurs. No white in front of navel, above underline, or on legs. No combination of black on nose, eyes, and anus together.

Shorthorn – Purebred (15/16 or higher) Shorthorn characteristics

AOB: Any steer not included in above.

4. Steers will be classified at Fair time. It will be the total responsibility of the exhibitor to declare the breed to be entered on the official entry card at weigh in at the Fair. However, final determination of breed classification will be made by classifier(s) appointed by the Show Management. This determination is based on visible characteristics of the steer. The judgment of breed classifier(s) is final and not subject to protest. There will be no breed changes at the time of judging. Any steer in the wrong class will not be allowed to show. If an exhibitor is unable to attend official weigh in and classification due to other school or Fair related activities they must inform Division Chairman/Co- Chairman in writing and have another exhibitor or Steer Committee Member present the steer.
5. Judging and sale order will be as follows for the 2010 Steer Show: AMERICAN, ENGLISH, and AOB with #1 dropping to third, #2 moving up to 1st, and #3 moving up to 2nd each year thereafter.
6. Steers will be judged by breed classification and for the purpose of judging may be divided into weight classes as determined by the Steer Committee
7. A Grand Champion and a Reserve Champion will be selected from each breed. There will not be an overall Grand or Reserve Champion of Show.
8. No change of the color pattern of the animal by painting or dyeing will be allowed.
9. The 2010 show will be a Slick Shorn show. All Steers will not have any hair length longer than 1/4" on any part of the body, other than the center of the tail down. If any exhibitor's steer is found to have excessive hair from the steer officials of the Fort Bend County Fair Association, the exhibitor will be disqualified and asked to remove their steer from the grounds one hour after check-in. An exhibitor will not be allowed to protest a hair length disqualification. There will not be any "touching up" after the steer has been checked-in and will not be allowed to return to the weigh-in area.
10. No grooming material of any kind is allowed at show time.
11. Touch up clipping will only be permitted prior to weigh-in.
12. Only Show officials will be allowed to assist exhibitors during sifting or judging. Any steers that are unmanageable by exhibitor or require handling by more than one person will be tied to the rail at the discretion of the Chairman.
13. During the Fair, all steers must be groomed by exhibitors, parents or immediate family members, Fort Bend County 4-H leader, Fort Bend County Ag Science Instructors, Fort Bend County Extension Agents and/or Fort Bend County residents.
14. Steers must be fed in Fort Bend County and remain in Fort Bend County. Any steer found in violation of the Official Livestock Rules after weigh-in will be disqualified from the show. This division is subject to the Fort Bend County Fair Livestock Department Rules and the Fort Bend County Fair General Rules.
15. Trim Chutes must be placed in designated areas by the Steer Committee. Trim Chutes may not arrive at the fairgrounds before the time and date specified by the Steer Committee.
16. 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.

17. The top 37 steers will remain in the barn for the duration of the Fair. If your steer does not place in the top 37 and you want to take your steer home you may. Non-placing steers can check out the following day at the posted time. If you want to exhibit in Good Housekeeping, you may switch with someone in the top 37, provided they did not make the premium sale. All exhibitors making a switch to stay for Good Housekeeping must have entry approved by the Chairman.

18. Check out for all Steers making the Jr. 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 to receive their disposition papers.

19. Exhibitors must furnish their own shavings.

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.)