

HALTER HEIFER & MARKET STEER

Entry deadline: AUGUST 31, 2018

Entry fee: \$21.00

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2018 general rules & Regulations

1. All Halter Heifer and Market Steer entries are subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Austin County Fair and to the rules governing the Youth Auction Sale.
2. A validation form must be completed for each Halter Heifer or Market Steer to be tagged-in. These validation forms will be available from the Fair Office, Agricultural Science Teachers, or County Extension Agents. It is advisable to complete the form prior to arriving at tag-in.
3. All Halter Heifers and Market Steers must be weighed and tagged on **Saturday, May 5, 2018** beginning at **7:00 am until 10:00 am** at the **Four County Livestock Barn in Industry.**

4. In addition to being weighed and tagged, Halter Heifers will be tattooed with an identification number at time of tagging, unless they already have a permanent identification number tattooed in their ear. All Halter Heifers must weigh at least 500 pounds at tag-in.
5. Market Steers will be identified by nose print at time of tagging.
6. Halter Heifers and Market Steers must be owned by the exhibitor at time of tagging.
7. There will be a \$10.00 charge for each animal tagged. Family tagging is allowed. This will be interpreted as immediate family living in the same household. Corrections to tag-in information must be made by **Thursday, May 31, 2018.**
8. You must notify the committee chairman immediately if you have a Halter Heifer or Market Steer that loses an ear tag so that they can issue you a new one.
9. Any breed or cross from any of the beef breeds is eligible to enter the show. Halter Heifers and Market Steers will be divided into two (2) divisions: American Breeds & Cross (Brahman influence – ABC) and All Other Breeds (exhibiting no Brahman influence – AOB).
10. A champion and reserve champion will be selected from each division with an overall Grand Champion and Reserve Champion from the entire show.

11. A mandatory progress show will be held on **Saturday, August 18, 2018 at 8:00 am** at the Austin County Fairgrounds. Halter Heifers and Market Steers must be present at the progress show in order to be eligible to show at the Austin County Fair. Halter Heifers and Market Steers should be exhibited by their owners unless he/she is physically challenged and unable to do so. All Halter Heifers and Market Steers must be halter broke and easy to handle. Unmanageable heifers and steers will be required to return to the Fairgrounds on **Saturday, September 29, 2018** or **Saturday, October 6, 2018** for a second evaluation.
12. Halter Heifers or Market Steers that fail the second evaluation will not be allowed in the show. Any heifer or steer deemed unmanageable by show officials during the Fair will be required to leave the grounds immediately.
13. All entries will be exhibited and sold by their owners unless he/she is physically challenged, or if the exhibitor has more than one entry showing in divisions at the same time. Exhibits to be shown or sold by someone other than the owner must be approved in writing by the respective committee chairman. Forms will be available in the Fair Office.
14. Animals owned by an exhibitor who is academically ineligible will not be allowed to enter the show.
15. All Halter Heifers and Market Steers can move in **Wednesday, October 10, 2018** from 6:00 am to 9:00 am.
16. Ownership of a Halter Heifer or Market Steer must be declared before the animal is placed on the scale at the

show. All heifers and steers will be weighed and classified into ABC or AOB on **Wednesday, October 10, 2018** from 7:30 am until 9:30 am. Official classifiers decision will be final.

17. Hay may be fed loose in the barn, but each exhibitor is responsible for clean-up of their area each day.
18. Exhibitors will be allowed to use shavings in the barn. Each exhibitor will be responsible for cleaning out shavings prior to load-out on Sunday, October 14, 2018.
19. No trim chutes will be allowed.
20. There will be no “pumping” allowed on premises other than by a state licensed veterinarian.
21. Unethical Fitting and Show of Livestock – Unethical practices performed on any livestock entry in order to deceive the judges or the sifting committee is prohibited, and the exhibitor shall be barred from this show and any future shows. Unethical practices will be determined by the Executive Committee of the Austin County Fair with the assistance of anyone deemed necessary.
22. **Hair grooming products may be used prior to the start of the show**, but the animal must be washed out and free of residue prior to entering the holding area. Animals will be checked for residue prior to entering the holding area. Any animal found with residue will not be allowed to enter the holding area. The use of adhesives, paints, dyes, etc. will be prohibited.

23. Any exhibit requiring medication during the Fair must have treatment made in accordance with the current Release of Liability & Indemnity, And Drug Certification Agreement. This form must be signed by the exhibitor and parent/guardian prior to submitting entry cards. This Agreement will be available during the mandatory progress show on **Saturday, August 18, 2018**.
24. During the show, only the exhibitor and one (1) adult will be allowed in the holding area.
25. No animal will be permitted to leave the fairgrounds without the consent of the committee.
26. If an exhibitor has two (2) Halter Heifers, two (2) Market Steers, or one (1) heifer and one (1) steer qualifying for the sale, he/she may choose which animal to sell, except for Grand and Reserve Champion. However, the Fair Office must be notified of the decision upon completion of the respective heifer and steer shows. If not, the highest placing animal will sell.
27. Non-selling Halter Heifers and Market Steers may move out **Thursday night, October 11, 2018**. Exhibitor must have a release form signed by the committee chairman. Release forms will be available in the Fair Office.
28. Show boxes and tack can be removed 5:00 am to 9:30 am on **Sunday, October 14, 2018** or after all animals have been removed from the barn or released by the chairman.
29. Exhibitors must be at their stalls by 10:00 am on **Sunday, October 14, 2018** in order to assist with loading-out at 11:00 am.

30. Exhibitors will be expected to maintain their stalls and care for their animals at all times. Exhibitors that fail to maintain their area will be issued one (1) warning from the Halter Heifer and Market Steer committee. If no improvement is made to the condition of the stall or care of the animal, a fine of \$100.00 will be assessed and deducted from the exhibitor's sale check.
31. Stalls must be clean and free of hay, manure, shavings, and excess feed prior to the animals load-out on **Sunday, October 14, 2018.**
32. Exhibitors will be responsible for the delivery of their projects listed for sale at the time mutually agreed upon between the buyer and seller to any destination in Austin County. Failure to comply with this delivery rule will result in forfeiture of the money paid by the buyer to the exhibitor. The Austin County Fair Association assumes no responsibility for the delivery or loss of the exhibitor's project. Delivery receipts must be signed for by the exhibitor before the animals will be released by the committee chairman.
33. Exhibitors may exhibit two (2) Halter Heifers, two (2) Market Steers, or one (1) heifer and one (1) steer.
34. A maximum of two (2) stalls will be assigned to an exhibitor for all beef projects.
35. Drug Testing will be performed on Grand and Reserve Champions and one (1) random animal in accordance with the current Release of Liability & Indemnity, And Drug

Certification Agreement. No interfering with the testing area and testing official will be allowed.

36. All exhibitors must have STAMPED, ADDRESSED, AND SEALED thank-you notes to their buyers and add-on donors turned in to the Fair Office, to be mailed by the Fair Office, before **November 15, 2018** or their check will not be issued. Checks will be mailed to the exhibitor – no checks will be distributed at the Fair Office.