

MARKET LAMBS & GOATS

**ENTRY DEADLINE:
ENTRY FEE: \$20.00**

LAMB COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN: Alfred Hall
COMMITTEE VICE CHAIRMAN: David Bartay

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COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN: Gregory Kaspar
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2020 RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All Market Lamb and Goat entries are subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Austin County Fair, to the rules governing the Youth Auction Sale and the rules of the Market Lamb and Goat livestock committees. Violation of these rules may result in disqualification or sifting.
2. Only wethers may be shown.
3. Market Lamb and Goat exhibitors may exhibit two (2) entries in these divisions and will be allowed no back up animal and will be ineligible to show in any other division.
4. All Market Lambs and Goats must be properly identified with tattoos and ear tags by **Thursday, July 9, 2020**. Family tagging will be allowed. This will be interpreted as immediate family living in the same household. All Market Lambs and Goats must be in their designated locations by **Thursday, July 9, 2020** (refer to validation form). There will be two (2) tag-in dates - **Saturday, June 27, 2020** from 7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. and **Thursday, July 9, 2020** from 6:00p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at the Austin County Fairgrounds.
5. There will be a Mandatory Progress Evaluation and optional showmanship contest opened to 4-H and FFA exhibitors on **Saturday, August 15, 2020**. Evaluation will be from 7:00 a.m.- 8:00 a.m. followed by a Mandatory Meeting at 8:00 a.m. at the Austin County Fairgrounds. Failure to attend the Mandatory Progress Show will forfeit your eligibility to show at the Austin County Fair. All tagged Market Lambs and Goats must be present at the Mandatory Progress Evaluation to be eligible to show at the Austin County Fair. All Market Lambs and

Goats should be exhibited by their owners unless he/she is physically challenged and unable to do so. Showmanship will begin at 8:30 a.m. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

6. Minimum weight of show **Market Lambs** is 80 pounds.

Minimum weight of show **Market Goats** is 60 pounds.

7. All **Market Lambs** must be sheared within one (1) week prior to sift date. Boots will be permitted. No shears, blow dryers, fans or items of a similar nature will be permitted on the fairgrounds

All **Market Goats** are preferred to be dehorned but are required to have horns tipped blunt prior to arrival on the show grounds. Tipping or removal of horns on show grounds will result in disqualification.

No artificial paint, powders or coloring may be used on goats during the goat show. Market Goats must be uniformly sheared with no hair longer than 3/8 inch above the knee and hock joints before arrival at the fairgrounds. Market Goats may have longer hair on the end of the tail. No clipping of goats will be allowed on the fairgrounds. No shears, blow dryers, fans or items of a similar nature will be permitted on the fairgrounds.

8. All **Market Lambs** will move in and be weighed on **Tuesday, October 6, 2020 from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.** Exhibitors will be allowed to enter the fairgrounds from FM 529 (Gate 2A). After unloading animals, exhibitors must exit the fairgrounds. No vehicles will be allowed on grounds. Committee Members, exhibitors of chickens and rabbits will be able to unload earlier.

All **Market Goats** will move in and be weighed on **Tuesday, October 6, 2020 from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.** Exhibitors will be allowed to enter the fairgrounds from FM 529 (Gate 2A). After unloading animals, exhibitors must exit the fairgrounds. No vehicles will be allowed on grounds. Committee Members, exhibitors of chickens and rabbits will be able to unload earlier.

Ownership must be declared before entering the scales. A re-weigh will be done, only in case of an underweight lamb or goat. In the event an underweight lamb or goat is identified, the lamb or goat will be immediately re-weighed. The animal will be backed off, scale cleaned and rebalanced for re-weigh. The second weight will become the official and non-challengeable weight. Market Lambs and Goats will be sifted at scales. The judge's decision will be final. Market Lambs and Goats sifted must be removed from the fairgrounds immediately after sifting.

9. All exhibitors must attend a mandatory meeting on **Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.** Exhibitor numbers will be distributed at the end of the meeting to the **exhibitor only!**
10. JUDGING of the **Market Lambs** will be on **Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.**

JUDGING of the **Market Goats** will be on **Wednesday, October 7, 2020** immediately after the completion of the Market Lamb Show.

All Grand & Reserve Champion lambs and goats need to be placed in the designated champion pens by **Wednesday October 7, 2020 by 6 p.m.**

If a substitution exhibitor is needed for your second lamb or goat for show purposes, you will be required to complete a substitution form. Following the show, all second lambs or goats **MUST** leave the fairgrounds with a **RELEASE SLIP** from the committee chairperson. The second lamb or goat should be designated for take home or resale immediately following the show. Designation is required no later than **4 p.m.** that day. Second lambs or goats taken home from the grounds on **Wednesday, October 7, 2020** should be removed from the fairgrounds between the end of the show and 8 p.m. **There will not be a resale truck on Wednesday after the show.** Exhibitors are to lead lambs off the fairgrounds to the parking area for loading and are not to enter any other livestock building or other buildings with lamb or goats while in route to load their animal. All other lambs and goats will be required to stay on the fairgrounds until **Sunday, October 11, 2020** when they can be removed with a **RELEASE SLIP** from 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. and from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. All lambs and goats must be removed no later than 1:00 p.m. from the fairgrounds on Sunday.

IMPORTANT: Load out designation of the exhibitor's second lamb or goat must be finalized in writing by Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. Failure to give destination designation of second lamb or goat will result in default of the lower placing animal to resale on Sunday, October 11, 2020. Failure to give designation to the Lamb or Goat Committee by Friday, October 11th at 3:00 p.m. of SECOND ANIMAL (when showing other than lambs or goats or any lamb or goat not making the sale) will result in default to the RESALE truck load out on Sunday, October 11, 2020.

11. Every exhibitor will be eligible to participate in the Memorial Herdsman Contest (Market Lamb/Market Goat) – Pens will be inspected for Good Housekeeping periodically on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Exhibitor will be judged on timely activities such as daily feeding and watering of exhibit, removal of feed buckets from designated feeding areas, cleanliness of area around show box and exhibits of friendliness and cooperation among exhibitors. Awards will be announced on **Saturday, October 10, 2020** following the Livestock Judging awards. Exhibitor will be notified Friday evening of their achievement and will be expected to attend on Saturday to receive the award and take photos.
12. Exhibit area must be kept clean, Tuesday – Sunday; failure to do so will result in a \$100.00 fee deducted from your sale check.
13. **LAMBS** - There will be four (4) weight classes: Light, Medium, Medium-Heavy and Heavy-weight. Classes will be determined after weigh-in.

GOATS -There will be seven (7) weight classes. Classes will be determined after weigh-in.

14. Drug Testing will be performed on Grand and Reserve Champion and one (1) random. No interfering with the testing area or testing official.
15. All animals are subject to be used during the Livestock Judging Contest on Saturday of fair week. If selected, you will be advised and the animal will need to be fed prior to usage.
16. If an exhibitor shows two (2) animals in these divisions and chooses to sell in the Youth Auction Sale, the Overall Grand Champion and Reserve Champion must sell. The sale order will be Grand Champion, Reserve Champion, Class Grand Champions and Class Reserve Champions, and all other sale lots will be determined by the class placings. Exhibitors must advise the committee in writing by 4:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, October 7, 2020** if they choose to sell a lower placing lamb or goat.
17. **The Committee suggest after the sale and weather permitting please remove blankets and sleeves so the public can view the animals.** Absolutely no feed, water buckets or shavings or any other type of bedding other than what is provided by the Fair Association are allowed in the lamb or goat pens. **If in shared pens, animals must be muzzled unless excused by chairman.** Market Lambs and Goats are to be fed in designated feeding areas. Lambs and Goats must be fed daily. No feeding or watering in the barn! Show day, **Wednesday, October 7, 2020** will be excluded due to time constraints for show preparation but will resume thereafter. All Market Lambs and Goats must be kept in their assigned pens between 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., **Sunday, October 11, 2020** until released by the committee. Show boxes can be removed on Sunday before 9:30 a.m. or after all animals have been removed from the barn or released by chairman. The barn will be closed from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. on **Sunday, October 11, 2020** to sort animals.
18. All showboxes, supplies and canopies should be dropped off between **7:00 p.m. and Midnight on Sunday, October 4, 2020.** After then, all items will need to be walked in. **Any items dropped off before the designated time will be removed from the grounds.** No unloading of show boxes and supplies will be allowed during the arrival of the lambs and goats. Any additional show boxes and supplies can be brought in after lambs and goats have been checked in and weighed. Unloading of show supplies on arrival must be done in the exhibitor parking lot due to safety reasons. Designated areas will be identified and marked to indicate where show boxes and personal items are not allowed. Included in these areas are all roads. Please remember we have new exhibitors every year so please share spaces with them.
19. All Market Lambs and Goats in this show and sale must have been fed and cared for by the exhibitor in an approved location for the show.
20. A **LAMB** showmanship contest will be held immediately following the conclusion of the Market Lamb Show. Exhibitors are allowed to bring any lamb that they own and have shown in the fair back for the showmanship competition. The classes will be divided according to the exhibitor's age as of **September 1, 2020**. Classes will be Juniors 8-10, Intermediate 11-14, and Senior 15 and older. Awards will be given for the first 3 exhibitors placing in each showmanship class.

A **GOAT** showmanship contest will be held immediately following the conclusion of the Market Goat Show. Exhibitors are allowed to bring any goat that they own and have shown in the fair back for the showmanship competition. The classes will be divided according to the exhibitor's age as of **September 1, 2020**, classes will be Juniors 8-10, Intermediate 11-14 and Senior 15 and older. Awards will be given for the first 3 exhibitors placing in each showmanship class.

21. Absolutely no parking is allowed inside the fairgrounds after Monday of fair week.
22. Any items put in or above the exhibitor's pen will require advanced approval from the exhibitor sharing the pen and the lamb and goat committee chairman.
23. When Youth Auction Sale checks are ready, exhibitors will be contacted. In order to receive their check, exhibitors must bring **STAMPED and ADDRESSED HANDWRITTEN** thank you notes to their buyers and add on donors to the Fair Office. Once the Fair Office has checked their thank you notes, exhibitors will seal them and then receive their check.
24. Quality Counts: In keeping with the Austin County Fair drug residue avoidance policy, ALL exhibitors are now required to pass the "NEW" Quality Counts Verification test for entry into the 2020 Show. Junior market and breeding show entries will not be accepted without verification code for each exhibitor. Verification codes are not required for Agricultural Mechanics exhibitors and Judging Contest contestants. The Quality Counts training and test can be found at:
<https://www.texaslivestockvalidation.com/qc/qcregister.aspx>
25. **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. The violation of this rule could result in the forfeiture of any monies and/or prizes earned and be subject to other penalties assessed by the Austin County Fair.**
26. **No request to change the destination of the purchased animal(s) may be made by the exhibitor or parent, the buyers written request is final. Once the buyer submits the written form to the sales clerk, the buyer is the only individual allowed to make changes to delivery or destination.**

LAMB & GOAT SKILLATHON CONTEST

**EARLY REGISTRATION DUE:
SEPTEMBER 25, 2020**

ENTRY FEE: FREE

1. This contest will be open to any person exhibiting a project at the 2020 Austin County Fair.
2. All contestants are subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Austin County Fair.
3. There will be a separate Austin County Fair Entry card to enter the contest. Each individual contestant wishing to participate in the Lamb & Goats Skillathon Contest must complete an entry card and submit it to the Fair Office by the entry date. Early registration due **September 25, 2020**; limited registration day of contest.
4. Contest will be held on Sunday, **October 4, 2020**
 - a. 5:00 pm – Contestant check-in
 - b. 5:15 pm – Review rules and contest procedures, followed by start of contest.
5. Contestants will be divided into three age divisions, based on contestant's age as of August 31, 2020:
 - a. 10 years old and under
 - b. 11 – 13 years old
 - c. 14 – 18 years old
6. During the competition, contestants will be further divided into groups and will remain with that assigned group throughout the round of stations. While completing the individual stations, there will be no conferring between contestants or between a contestant and anyone else except as directed by contest officials.
7. Conferring among contestants (talking, gestures, etc.) will result in immediate dismissal from the contest. Contestants may not carry any electronic communication device (cell phones, etc.). Any contestant found in possession of such a device at any time during the contest will be immediately removed from the competition.
8. All testing materials required to complete the individual competition stations will be provided, except that contestants will be allowed to bring their own clipboard. The contestants may bring no books, notes, pamphlets, or other reference material into the contest area.
9. Contestants are not to pick up or touch any item that is being identified or evaluated in the individual competition stations.
10. No questions concerning the contents of the individual competition stations will be answered during the contest.
11. Parents are invited to review contest materials in the contest area at the conclusion of the contest.
12. The contest will consist of 9 individual stations. Topics covered at the stations will be:

Lamb & Goat Equipment	Breeds of Lamb & Goats
Disease Identification	Anatomy of Lamb & Goats
Feed Ingredients	Feed Labels
Medications and Vaccines	Current News & Events
Fair Rules	

13. Each individual station will consist of up to 10 questions. Question numbers will be based on age groups. Contestants will be allowed 5 minutes to complete each individual station.
14. In the event of a tied score, the tie will be broken based on having the correct answer for specific questions at specific stations. These questions will be selected by the Committee on the day of the contest. The tie breaker questions will be posted prior to the start of the contest.
15. Awards will be given to the top three scoring individuals in each age division. These awards will be presented on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 in the Sheep & Goat show arena, between the sheep and goat show.
16. Contest questions will be created using information obtained from the internet websites. It is the individual contestant's responsibility to access these websites to obtain study materials pertaining to the topics listed in these rules and regulations. Below is a list of websites that material may be obtained from.

<http://animalscience.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/14/2012/04/AS34059-showlamb.pdf>

<http://agecon.okstate.edu/meatgoat/>

<http://animalscience.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/14/2012/04/AS34060-meatgoatguide.pdf>

<http://animalscience.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/14/2016/01/Study-Guide-Outline17.pdf>

[News media and newspapers](#)

17. Any special circumstances will be handled on an individual basis. Please refer all questions or special circumstances to the Lamb & Goat Skillathon committee.