

AG MECHANICS RULES 2026

1. Each exhibitor may have only one entry (including team entry) in the Ag Mechanics project show.
2. Entry Cards for Ag Mechanic projects must specify the Division they will be competing in. Show superintendent will have final discretion on the Division that a project will compete in.
3. Entries must have been started and completed within the preceding 365 days.
4. Entries must be certified by the Ag Science Teacher or County Extension Agent by December 5, 2025 (due date of entry cards).
5. Entries may be a cooperative effort of exhibitors from the same FFA chapter or 4-H club.
6. Neither the Lubbock County Junior Livestock Show, nor any Board Member, Superintendent, committee member or volunteer will in any way be responsible for any loss, damage, accident, or injury that may occur during the course of the show, including unloading and loading.
7. Projects must be moved into the Ag Mechanics exhibit building between 8 am and 3 pm the day prior to the show. All projects must be in place by 3 pm on the day prior to the show. All projects must be completed prior to move-in, and exhibitors will not be allowed to work on projects once they are moved-in, exhibitors doing so will be subject to removal from the show. No motorized equipment will be allowed for the unloading or loading of projects.
8. All projects will be placed inside the exhibit building with the exception of oversized projects which will be placed outside of the building. The decision regarding designation as an oversized project and placement outside will be made by the show superintendent and this decision is final.
9. Any project that could damage or mar the flooring surface inside the building or pavement outside the building must be placed on some type of mat or floor covering to prevent any damage to the floor/pavement.
10. The Ag Mechanics Show will be separated into the following two divisions:
Division 1 – Welding Division 2 – Woodworking Division 3 - Restoration
11. Entries within each division will be broken down into subdivision at the sole discretion of the superintendent, this subdivision assignment is final. Subdivisions will be grouped and assigned based on the number and types of entries within each division at the discretion of the superintendent. Subdivisions will be used to group similar projects together for the show and the subdivisions may be modified as the superintendent deems necessary.
12. Exhibitors must be present at their projects when it is evaluated by the judge(s). Failure to be present when the project is evaluated by judge(s) will result in removal from the show.
13. Projects will be judged on:
 - a. Workmanship and interview
 - b. Sound structural design and balance
 - c. Degree of difficulty

- d. Documentation: bill of material, construction pictures & blueprints

14. Awards:

- a. Grand Champion Ag Mechanics Show
- b. Reserve Grand Champion Ag Mechanics Show
- c. Champion Welding Division Project
- d. Reserve Champion Welding Division Project
- e. Champion Woodworking Division Project
- f. Reserve Champion Woodworking Division Project
- g. Placings 1st – 3rd within each subdivision

15. Premium Sale Slots: There will be a total of 5 Ag Mechanics projects that are eligible for the Premium Sale. These projects will be subject to the Premium Sale Rules specified in General Show Rules. The top 5 overall projects will qualify for the Premium Sale. The criteria for the top 5 projects to qualify for the Premium Sale will be as follows:

- a. Grand Champion Ag Mechanics Show
- b. Reserve Grand Champion Ag Mechanics Show
- c. Champion Welding Division Projects (if not Grand or Reserve Champion)
- d. Champion Woodworking Division Project (if not Grand or Reserve Champion)
- e. Champion Restoration Division (if not Grand or Reserve Champion)
- f. Remaining sale slots (to reach the total of 5) will be awarded to the subsequent overall best project(s) in the show across all divisions. These projects will be identified based on judging criteria and will be announced during the awards ceremony.

16. Ag Mechanics Show Schedule – SPF AG Mechanics Building

- a. Unloading / Set-up: Monday, January 5, 2026; 8:00am to 3:00 pm. All projects must be in place by 3 pm.
- b. Judging: Tuesday, January 6, 2026; 2:00 pm till completed.
- c. Awards: Tuesday, January 6, 2026; Immediately following the conclusion of the show.
- d. Loading / Move out: Projects cannot be loaded up or moved out until the conclusion of the awards presentation. All projects must be moved out by the evening of the show after the completion of the awards. Arrangements may be made on a case-by-case basis to have projects remain past the day of the show, exhibitor must request this from the show superintendent and approval will be at the sole discretion of the superintendent.

Additions & Edits to General Rules as pertaining to Ag Mechanics Show

“5. Entry fee for all species & projects: \$35 per entry”

“6. Each exhibitor may enter as many animals in each division as desired. **Each exhibitor may have only one entry (including a team entry) in the Ag Mechanics Division. Each exhibitor may sell a total of two items in the sale (animal projects and/or ag mechanics projects).**”

“10. No animal or project is eligible for this show if said animal/project has passed through an auction as the subject of a possible sale, or in a premium sale as result of a stock show outside Lubbock County.”

16. add “**d. All floor protectors for the Ag Mechanics show must be removed or properly disposed of when the project is moved out after the show.**”

17. add “**Exhibitors have more than two projects eligible for the sale must sell the 2 highest placing projects. If an exhibitor has an Ag Mechanics project qualify for the sale it will count as one of the 2 possible sale items for that exhibitor. If such exhibitor also has 2 animals qualify for the sale, the lowest placing project (animal or Ag Mechanic) will be removed. If the Ag Mechanics project is a group project, that specific individual exhibitor (with an excess of 2 items qualifying for the sale) will be removed from the Ag Mechanics project and the remaining group members may process with that item in the sale, payments will only be distributed to those team members that are eligible at the time of the sale.**” “**The number of Ag Mechanics projects eligible for the sale are specified in the Ag Mechanics Division rules below.**”