- Cleveland Livestock Show Board, "CLS", reserves to its Officers of the CLS Board and CLS Executive Board the final and absolute right to interpret the CLS Show General Rules & Regulations, or Special Rules, and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of connection with, or incident to, the CLS Show.
- 2. Any person who violates any of the CLS Show General Rules & Regulations, or Special Rules, as published will forfeit all privileges and premiums won.
- 3. Cleveland Livestock Show Board reserves the right to amend or add to these rules as it, in its judgment, may deem advisable.
- 4. Cleveland Livestock Show Board, Officers, Committee Chairs, Committee Members, and/or Board Members will not be liable for any damages, injuries, fire, theft, accident, or equipment being left unattended on the grounds or in the parking facilities.
- 5. No individual except those persons that have been designated by the Cleveland Livestock Show Executive Board can remain on the show grounds between the hours of 12:30 a.m. and 6:30 a.m. during the CLS Show.
- 6. If an interpretation of these rules and regulations is required it can be sent via mail and directed to the CLS Show, c/o President of CLS Show, P.O. Box 697, Cleveland, Texas 77328.
- 7. Market Division Eligibility Requirements, Entry Information & Deadlines:
  - A. The Division of Market items (Market Steer, Commercial Heifer, Market Swine, Market Lamb, Market E Goat, Market Broiler, Market Rabbit, Home Economics and Ag Mechanics) are open to all active (have attended 50% of the available meetings) LIBERTY COUNTY 4-H members, Jr. FFA, and FFA Members that attend one of the listed Liberty County School Districts (Tarkington ISD, Cleveland ISD, Hardin ISD, Liberty ISD, Hull-Daisetta ISD, home school program or private school and live in one of these school districts) from tag-in until show time.
  - B. Exhibitors attending Dayton Independent School District or that is eligible to show in the Dayton Independent School District Market Show are not eligible to participate in the CLS Market Divisions.
  - C. Exhibitors must be in compliance with their school's current policies concerning participation in extracurricular or other activities.
  - D. Exhibitors must be in good standing with their 4-H, JR. FFA and FFA program and have participated in 50% of the meetings between tag-in and the CLS Show.
    - 1. Market Steer and Commercial Heifer Divisions:
      - a. Tag-in and Weigh-in for these divisions will be the second Tuesday in November. See Important Dates and Deadlines calendar for specific date.
      - b. The entry fee for these divisions will be \$30.00 per exhibitor/per head.
      - c. Exhibitors may tag-in and weigh-in alternate animals for these divisions. The entry fee for the alternate market animals in these divisions will be \$30.00 per head.
      - d. This is a "blow and go only" show. Fitting with a foreign material that includes (but not limited to) painting, powdering, artificial coloring, artificial hair and fibers, or adhesives are prohibited.
      - e. For additional specific rules and regulations for these divisions please see the respective CLS Market Steer or Commercial Heifer Division Rules & Regulations.

- 2. Market Swine, Market Lamb and Market Goat Divisions:
  - a. Tag-in for these divisions will be the second Tuesday in January. See Important Dates and Deadlines calendar for specific date.
  - b. The entry fee for these divisions will be \$30.00 per exhibitor/per head.
  - c. Exhibitors may tag-in alternate animals for these divisions. The entry fee for the alternate market animals in these divisions will be \$30.00 per head.
  - d. For additional specific rules and regulations for these divisions please see the respective CLS Market Swine, Lamb or Goat Division Rules & Regulations.
- 3. Market Broiler Division:
  - a. Entry for this division will be the second Tuesday in November or January. See Important Dates and Deadlines calendar for specific date.
  - b. The entry fee for this division will be \$30.00 per exhibitor. Broilers, in minimum lots of 25 birds, must be ordered from CLS Show at this time. Price per bird will be according to availability.
  - c. Every 4-H and FFA member who wants to show market broilers must order chicks in his or her name.
  - d. Exhibitors will not be allowed to purchase chicks from another member after they have been ordered.
  - e. There will not be alternate pens for the market broiler division.
  - f. For additional specific rules and regulations for this division please see the CLS Market Broiler Division Rules & Regulations.
- 4. Market Rabbit Division:
  - a. Entry for this division will be the March deadline. See Important Dates and Deadlines calendar for specific date.
  - b. The entry fee for this division will be \$30.00 per exhibitor. There will not be alternate pens for the market rabbit division.
  - c. The exhibitor must own the doe/does at time of kindling. Market rabbit pen must come from these kindled litters. Market rabbit pens may not be purchased.
  - d. For additional specific rules and regulations for this division please see the CLS Market Rabbit Division Rules & Regulations.
- 5. Home Economics Division:
  - a. Entry for this division will be the March deadline. See Important Dates and Deadlines calendar for specific date.
  - b. The entry fee for this division will be \$5.00 per exhibitor/entry. Entries not received by March Deadline will be charged a \$5.00 late fee per entry if entered on day of check-in.
- 8. Market Division General Rules and Regulations:

- A. Market Division Exhibitors agree to allow CLS to utilize their livestock in the Livestock Judging contests.
- B. Market Division Exhibitors must show their own livestock, rabbits and poultry during the regular judging events, during the showmanship contests, the premium auction and/or freezer sale. See Market Division Exhibitor Substitutions Rules and Regulations below.
- C. For the safety of exhibitors, spectators and officials any animal deemed unruly by the CLS Committee and/or division judge may be removed from the show arena and disqualified.
- D. Any animal removed from the show arena will not qualify for the premium auction.
- E. Market Division show decisions of the judge are final. Will not be considered for protest.
- F. Exhibitors will be allowed to only show one entry per Market Divisions.
- G. Market Division animals must be bonafide property of fed and cared for by the exhibitor at the exhibitor's home place, at the time of tag-in and throughout the feeding period until CLS Show. As well must be under the supervision of their Agriculture Science Instructor and/or 4-H Adult Leader/County Extension Agent.
- H. Market Division animals must be kept at the exhibitor's home residence. Anyone not keeping their Market animal on their home residence must have an Off Premises Request in the Livestock Office at time of tagin. Off Premises Request must include:
  - 1. 911 Address of where animals are being housed.
  - 2. Reasons for keeping animal away from home residence.
  - 3. Name and phone number of person where exhibitor is keeping the animal.

The exhibitor, parent or guardian, and Agriculture Science Teacher or 4-H Adult Leader must sign the request. Request must be submitted to CLS President two (2) weeks prior to tag-in. CLS Hardship Committee will approve/disapprove all applications within two (2) weeks.

- I. If the location of where an animal is being housed changes for greater than five (5) days at any time during the feeding period, the exhibitor must notify the appropriate committee chairperson immediately and seek approval of this change.
- J. Should an exhibitor/parent/guardian be found to have altered the weight of an animal on the scales during tag-in or weigh-in at CLS Show, the animal will be disqualified.
- K. CLS Board reserves the right to have a committee with the authority to visit any FFA and/or 4-H project that is entered in the CLS show. By entering his/her market division animal, the exhibitor and all parties concerned grant permission for the project to be visited during the period between tag-in and CLS Show weigh-in at location where animal is being fed and/or raised.
- L. If entry is found being raised off premise and CLS Show did not grant permission, then the exhibitor cannot show that entry.
- 9. Market Division Showmanship Rules and Regulations:
  - A. Market/Breeding Division Livestock Showmanship Classes will be divided as follows:

- 1. Junior Showmanship Class ages 8 to 13 years old enrolled in FFA and/or 4-H program. Age at time of event.
- 2. Senior Showmanship Class ages 14 to 18 years old enrolled in FFA and/or 4-H program. Age at time of event.
- B. Exhibitor must have shown during the Market/Breeding Division show for species being shown.
- C. Exhibitor must show their animal that was shown in the Market/Breeding Division show for species being shown.
- D. Entry fee paid for Market/Breeding Division Show covers cost of entry into Market/Breeding Division Showmanship Class for species being shown.
- E. Market/Breeding Division Showmanship class decisions of the judge are final. Will not be considered for protested.
- F. Peewee Showmanship contest will be held in and Breeding Swine Division only.
  - 1. Contest available to youth not younger than 5 years of age or no older than 8 years of age and not in 4-H or JR FFA.
  - 2. Exhibitors may use only animals exhibited in the Breeding Swine Division Classes.
- G. Old Geezer Showmanship contest will be held in Breeding Swine Division only.
  - 1. Contest available to adults over 18 not enrolled in public school.
  - 2. Exhibitors may use only animals exhibited in the Breeding Swine Division Classes.
  - 3. Entry fee \$20.00 at the gate.
- H. All showmanship contests will follow the champion drive for said division and should follow this order Senior Showmanship, Junior Showmanship, Peewee Showmanship (if available for division) and Old Geezer Showmanship (if available for division).
- 10. Market Division Exhibitor Substitutions Rules and Regulations:
  - A. Any request for a substitution of exhibitors must be submitted to the CLS Show President in advance of the show. Approval for substitution of exhibitors will be left to the discretion of the Hardship Committee.
  - B. Substitution of exhibitors will not be allowed if the owner of the animal cannot be excused from his/her class because of failing grades or excessive absences.
  - C. Substitution of exhibitor will ONLY be considered for school related activities or medical reason.
- 11. All Divisions Entry Fees & Deadline Rules and Regulations:
  - A. All entry forms for the CLS Show not filled out properly will be returned to exhibitor, Agriculture Science Teacher or 4-H Adult Leader.
  - B. Entries not received by entry deadline will be returned to exhibitor, Agriculture Science Teacher or 4-H Adult Leader.
  - C. No entry fees will be returned.

- D. Mail entries to Cleveland Livestock Show, P.O. Box 697, Cleveland, Texas 77328.
- 12. All Divisions Protests, Appeals and Complaints Procedure:
  - A. All protests must be in writing, signed, and accompanied by a cash deposit of \$100.00.
  - B. The protest must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal, and must be filed with the CLS President within five (5) hours of judging of the incident
  - C. Deposit will be forfeited if protest is not sustained.
- 13. Breeding Division General Rules and Regulations:
  - A. Breeding Divisions Contest will be held for the following:
    - 1. Breeding Beef, The entry fee for this division will be \$30.00 per entry.
      - a. No late entries will be accepted. Entries are due as indicated on the schedule of events.
    - 2. Breeding Swine, The entry fee for this division will be \$30.00 per entry.
      - a. No late entries will be accepted. Entries are due as indicated on the schedule of events.
    - 3. Breeding Rabbit, The entry fee for this division will be \$5.00 per entry.
      - a. No late entries will be accepted. Entries are due as indicated on the schedule of events.
  - B. These divisions will be open to all active 4-H, Jr. FFA, and FFA members in the State of Texas.
  - C. All entries in the Breeding Divisions must be made by specified time on Schedule of Important Dates and Deadlines. See also "All Divisions Entry Fees & Deadline Rules and Regulations"
  - D. For the safety of exhibitors, spectators and officials any animal deemed unruly by the CLS Committee and/or division judge may be removed from the show arena and disqualified.
  - E. The appropriate County Extension Agent or Agriculture Science Teacher must sign all Breeding entries.
- 14. All Divisions Stalling Rules and Regulations:
  - A. No stall space will be utilized for displays, paraphernalia, etc. unless otherwise designated by the CLS Show.
  - B. No for sale signs will be displayed.
  - C. All animals and birds must be in place at show at times designated in the Schedule of Important Dates and Deadlines.

- D. All animals and birds must remain at the show until released by the chairman at the designated time.
- E. Each 4-H Club and FFA Chapter is responsible for preparing and keeping stalls kept cleaned in their area.
- F. All Market Steers, Commercial Heifers and Breeding Beef will be stalled together by organization or club.
  - 1. A trophy will be presented for the Best Beef Stall (including market and breeding beef); plaques will be awarded to second and third places.
  - 2. Each 4-H Club and FFA Chapter in Liberty County that exhibits beef cattle will be expected to be on dump truck duty.
  - 3. All cattle must be tied in cattle barn from 12:30 A.M. to 6:30 A.M.
  - 4. No cattle are allowed to be left unattended at cattle wash rack.
  - 5. Cattle may not be tied around the swine building or pens, barbecue stand, around the outside of livestock barns, in or around the scale house pens, anywhere inside the chain link fence around the rodeo arena, or along the outside of that same chain link fence.
- G. All Market Swine will be stalled together by organization or club.
  - 1. All pens will be assigned by swine chair person.
  - 2. A trophy will be presented for the Best Swine Stall plaques will be awarded to second and third places.
  - 3. Individual contestant is responsible for preparing and keeping assigned pen kept cleaned.
- H. No market division livestock entry is allowed to be outside perimeter chain link fence of CLS Show grounds once checked in for CLS Show.
- I. No livestock is allowed to be fed, housed, penned or kept in the exhibitor parking lot, cemetery or the cemetery parking lot.
- 15. All Divisions Ethics Rule:
  - A. Each exhibitor, his or her parent(s) and /or guardian(s) agrees to abide by the General and Special Rules published in the current year and/or amendments available at each tag-in.
  - B. Any violations of the rules or any exhibitor and/or parent(s) guardian(s) found to have participated in unethical Practices such as:
    - 1. Approaching buyers for the purpose of asking to exchange, return, or purchase any sale item(s) after the sale.
    - 2. The showing of any animal that has been administered any unapproved/unlabeled medication (see drug policy established by CLS Board will forfeit all prizes, awards, premium won, and will be barred from exhibiting for three years at CLS Show.
    - Tampering or altering physical features by surgical instruments for the purpose of improving conformation or appearance of livestock in the show will be disqualified and ruled ineligible to compete for or retain premiums.
  - C. Any exhibitor who has been banned from showing at any livestock show (i.e. Trinity Valley Exposition, Texas Rice Festival, Houston Livestock Show, etc.) for any reason, in the past 3 years or years to come, will not

be eligible to show in the market division at the Cleveland Livestock Show or apply for any scholarship for 4 years. For example, if an exhibitor were banned from showing at Show A in 2017, 2016 or 2015 the exhibitor is not eligible to show at the Cleveland Livestock Show until 2019-2020 show.

- 16. Trailer Parking:
  - A. All trailers or truck/trailers are to be parked in grass fields on Easy Street outside CLS Show grounds perimeter chain link fence.
  - B. No trailers will be allowed to park around the pig barn or cattle barn for the market division shows.
  - C. No camper trailers will be allowed in grass fields on Easy Street. Livestock trailers with living quarters will be allowed for hauling livestock only you may not stay in living quarters at night.
  - D. No vehicles or trailers will be parked in the cemetery or on any of the cemetery roadways.
- 17. Animal Care:
  - A. Exhibitor is responsible for the feeding and caring of their animals remaining on the CLS Show Grounds for the Premium and/or Freezer Auction until the time the animal is released to packer or buyer. Advisors and leaders may take responsibility of all of their chapter's/ club's animals.

#### *!!!!!Starting in 2023 the Market steer show will be a slick shear steer show!!!!!*