

Premier Youth Livestock Association of Texas Rules

Mission Statement

*To help the upcoming youth of Texas further their education and achieve goals for their future in the livestock industry.

*Keep records and track show history, keep points to help exhibitors reach their goals for maximum scholarship amounts and prizes deemed by the board at physical year end.

* Exhibitors will accumulate points at Premier Youth Livestock sanctioned shows across the state of Texas.

Who is Premier Youth Livestock Association?

Premier Youth Livestock Association of Texas is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization set up to promote livestock exhibitors to be able to further their education. Exhibitors will accumulate points for attending livestock shows and exhibiting their animals at any Premier Youth Livestock Association of Texas sanctioned shows across the state of Texas. At the end of every year the exhibitors with the top points in each division (or breed) will receive prizes along with scholarships deemed by the board of directors. The scholarships will accumulate and be set aside every year. For example, if the exhibitor is 10 years old when they start as members of PYLA, every year that they are a member in good standing of PYLA, they will acquire points. If they place in the placing for scholarship, those monies will be set aside and put into said scholarship account until the exhibitor is ready to attend college. They can build up scholarship money for the next 8 years, pending they meet the requirements of PYLA.

At the end of each year those exhibitors that have earned scholarship points, will have their scholarship amounts set aside until the exhibitor is eligible for college. Once an exhibitor is ready to attend college, they will need to mail or email a copy of their college class schedule paperwork along with a short essay of a given topic to PYLA office. Upon receiving said paperwork, the PYLA will then mail a check for half of the scholarship amount directly to the respective institution, any scholarship under \$500.00 will be written to the exhibitor, any amount over \$500.00 will be mailed to the institution the exhibitor is

attending. PYLA will then distribute the remaining amount of the scholarship upon the exhibitor's 2nd semester of college. They will then need to mail their class schedule and GPA (GPA must be a 2.0 or higher from their 1st semester) to the PYLA office for the remaining funds to be released to the respective institution they are attending. Premier Youth Livestock Association will not mail scholarship funds to the exhibitor or their parents; they will only mail checks to the college, community college or trade school that the exhibitor is enrolled in and attending.

Requirements for obtaining scholarships are as follows. Exhibitors must be a paid member of Premier Youth Livestock Association of Texas for EACH year they are eligible to obtain points. The exhibitors must be enrolled in a minimum of 10 hours per semester and must maintain a GPA of 2.0. If funds are not used in full within two years of their high school graduation, they will forfeit the remaining funds. The funds shall then remain in the PYLA's scholarship account. Please note checks will be sent after that drop date for each institution.

SHOW RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE PREMIER YOUTH LIVESTOCK ASSOICATION OF TEXAS FOR ALL BREEDS AND DIVISIONS

Membership

Section 1.1 Premier Youth Livestock Association reserves the right to refuse membership to anyone for any reason, as deemed by the Executive Board.

Section 1.2 Members must live in the state of Texas in order to be recognized as an active member and be eligible for points, scholarship and prizes.

Section 1.3 Members of the PYLA must follow and obey said rules of the Premier Youth Livestock Association as stated in the bylaws.

Section 1.4 Dates for points will run from September 1st to August 31st of said year.

Section 1.5 Members are defined as any exhibitor that resides in Texas, is within the age range and is current on their yearly dues.

Section 1.6 Ages for members of the Premier Youth Livestock Association of Texas will run as follows for all species and breeds. Peewee ages will be ages 6 years of age and under, as of their birthday of September 1st of said year. Jr division will be ages 7 years of age to 10 years of age, as of their birthday as of September 1st of said year. Intermediate division will be 11 years of age to 14 years of age, as of their birthday as of September 1st of said year. Sr division will be 15 years of age to 18, or August of the members Sr year of high school graduation.

Section 1.7 Premier Youth Livestock Association is not responsible for any accident or the safety of any of the members, spectators, volunteers or livestock during any of the shows sanctioned by PYLA.

Section 1.8 Every animal at any given Premier Youth Livestock Association sanctioned show will always be cared for, treated humanely and with compassion. The standard of care and treatment shall be measured by informed person and/or standards of a veterinarian.

Section 1.9 Membership fees will be \$50.00 per exhibitor and \$10.00 per species. Membership fees will be due by September 30th of each year. There will be an additional \$10.00 after September 30th of each year.

Section 1.10 Membership fees can be paid with a check and mailed to P.O. Box 1365, Waller TX 77484 along with the membership form, or can be signed up online at www.premieryouthlivestock.org. Membership dues can be paid several ways; online, over the phone, or by mailing a check. PLEASE NOTE \$35.00 RETURN CHECK FEE WILL BE APPLIED TO ALL RETURNED CHECKS TO PYLA. If a returned check is not taken care of within 45 days the members points, prizes and scholarships may be forfeited. If a returned check is not taken care of within 60 days, the issue shall be turned over to Waller County District Attorney's Office and all points, prizes and scholarships will be forfeited

Section 1.11 In order to be eligible to receive points and prizes, the exhibitor must be signed up as a member for said year.

Section 1.12 Points and membership MAY NOT be transferred to different members. Once a member has points in a certain species, those points may not be transferred to a different species, or to another active or inactive member. Points may not be transferred from or to any other organization or association.

Section 1.13 Upon signing up for PYLA, members will automatically be giving PYLA permission to publish their points on our website and be available for public viewing.

Sanctioned Shows

Section 2.1 Any group, organization or persons that wishes to sanction a livestock show through the Premier Youth Livestock Association of Texas, with any species must have an approved contract to proceed. Contracts can only be approved by the board of the Premier Youth Livestock Association. Contracts can be filled as far as 12 months prior to date of show but must be filled no later than 30 days prior to said show. Contracts and approval do not carry over every year.

Section 2.2 All shows will require approval from year to year.

Section 2.3 For those choosing to sanction through Premier Youth Livestock Association fees are as follows:

Steers: \$125.00 per ring for single points, \$175.00 per ring for double points

Heifers: \$125.00 per ring for single points, \$175.00 per ring for double points

Swine: \$125.00 per ring for single points, \$175.00 per ring for double points

Lambs: \$125.00 per ring for single points, \$175.00 per ring for double points

Goats: \$125.00 per ring for single points, \$175.00 per ring for double points

Section 2.4 All sanction fees are due no later than five days of the conclusions of said show. If the sanction fees are not received by the PYLA office five days after the show, there will be a \$10.00 fee for everyday after the 5th day fees are not paid in full. Points for exhibitors will not be posted until said show has paid their sanctioning fees in full. If the fees are not paid by 30 days, we will post the points for those exhibitors and legal action will be taken against the group, organization or hosting party, per the sanctioning contract.

Section 2.5 No shows will be approved within a 150-mile radius of each other (per google maps), showing the same species.

Section 2.6 If the group, organization or persons hosting the show wishes to make changes to the contract, the changes must be made 10 days prior to the show.

Section 2.7 It is the show manager's responsibility to ensure that any and all shows sanctioned by the PYLA are ran safely and in accordance with the PYLA rules and regulations.

Section 2.8 Any group, organization or persons wishing to sanction a livestock show with Premier Youth Livestock Association may recognize any breed of species for their show. However, points will only be given to breeds that are recognized by the Premier Youth Livestock Association.

Section 2.9 Show results must be in the Premier Youth Livestock Association office no later than 14 days after the conclusion of the show. Please note, fees for show are due no later than five days of conclusion of show, and points will not be posted until fees are paid in full. If group, organization or persons makes a mistake in reporting points they will have 15 days to get corrections and changes to PYLA.

Section 2.10 Results should be mailed AND emailed to the PYLA to ensure the results are received. Results must be mailed to Po Box 1365, Waller TX 77484 and emailed to premieryouthlivestock@yahoo.com

Section 2.11 Any Premier Youth Livestock Association sanctioned show can not be sanctioned by any other association for points, for the same show.

Section 2.12 The PYLA does recommend that the group, organization or persons report the points on a spreadsheet that is provided by the PYLA, but it is not a requirement.

Section 2.13 If an exhibitor is disqualified or does not attend said show, it is the group, organization or persons hosting the shows responsibility to note this on the results sent to PYLA. The said exhibitor will not receive points for that show.

Section 2.14 The Premier Youth Livestock Association recommends that the group, organization or persons hosting the show advertise on the PYLA website. There is a \$40.00 fee for posting on our website calendar. The PYLA also recommends the hosting group make a flyer. We recommend the following items be on the flyer: Date and location of the show, grooming rules for the show, fees for the show, number of rings, the judges, and contact person information.

Section 2.15 It is the shows discretion on how many cattle make up a breed. If the show so chooses, one head constitutes a breed.

Section 2.16 The PYLA recommends that the hosting show sort the species as follows: heifers by breed and birthday, steers by breed and weight, lambs by breed and weight, goats by weights, swine by breeds and weights.

Section 2.17 It is the hosting group, organization or person's responsibility to check registration papers for heifers. If there are any questions pertaining to registration papers, the PYLA will be glad to answer any questions and help with any issues or concerns the hosting group may have.

Section 2.18 In order to receive points at any sanctioned PYLA show the PYLA member must be in attendance and exhibit their own animals in their respective class. The only exception is if the exhibitor has more than one head in the class, or if the exhibitor is showing another animal or species in another ring at the same show. If the exhibitor shows in ring A and cannot show in ring B, due to an illness, it will be the hosting groups discretion weather to allow an alternate to show for said exhibitor.

Section 2.19 The PYLA recommends and allows a peewee showman to have assistance in the show ring.

Section 2.20 The PYLA **REQUIRES** all hosting groups, organizations, and persons to allow any exhibitor with a disability to exhibit their animals with or without the help of an assistant. That decision will be left up to the exhibitor and their parents or guardians. If said show does not allow the exhibitor to show with an assistant, the group, organization, or persons will be held liable, and it will be at the discretion of the PYLA executive board in regard to any consequences handed down to that hosting group. This is a requirement.

Section 2.21 All shows sanctioned by Premier Youth Livestock Association must be open to all active members of Premier Youth Livestock Association.

Section 2.22 It is the responsibility of the hosting group, organization or persons to provide prizes, premiums, and all other items for said show, including judges, grounds and all other items for said show.

Section 2.23 The PYLA recommends that heifer shows sanctioned through PYLA state the maximum age for heifers to be shown as no older than 30 months, and cow calf pairs, with the calf being no older than 6 months.

Section 2.24 The group, organization, or persons in charge of hosting a sanctioned show through PYLA will be responsible for reporting any and all problems at said show, as well as turning in points for said show. The hosting party will be responsible for enforcing rules set by PYLA. Hosting group must always be present at the show. As the hosting party, read and review all of the rules set forth by the PYLA.

Section 2.25 Members will not be allowed to show an animal under their name that has been tagged or validated for another member, or in another member's or individual's name. Ownership should be able to be proven by the parent or exhibitor.

Section 2.26 Any group organization or persons hosting a PYLA sanctioned show, depending on fees being charged for rings, and showmanship must give back premium or prizes.

Section 2.27 The PYLA retains the right to attend any sanctioned show as a vendor to sign up members or answer any questions at no cost to the PYLA from the sanctioning show.

Section 2.28 The PYLA reserves the right not to sanction a show for the following year if that organization has violated and/or ignored any of the rules while producing their show during the current year.

Section 2.29 It is recommended that the sanctioning show offer a breed format for heifers:

ARB, Beefmaster, Brahman, Black Brangus, Red Brahman, Red Brangus, Santa Gertrudis, Simbrah

Angus, Aberdeen Angus, Hereford, Mini Hereford, Polled Hereford, Red Angus, Shorthorn

ORB, Braunvieh, Charolais, Chianina, Limousin, Maine Anjou, Simmental, Commercial class- Any ABC and AOB that is an unregistered heifer will show under commercial.

Section 2.30 It is recommended that the sanctioning show offers an 18 -breed format for steers:

ABC, Brahman, Brangus, Santa Gertrudis, Simbrah

Angus, Hereford, Mini Hereford, Polled Hereford, Red Angus, Shorthorn

Charolais, Limousin, Maine Anjou, Simmental, Black Crossbred, Red Crossbred, All Other Crossbred

Section 2.31 It is recommended that the sanctioning show offers a 5 -breed format for lambs:

Fine wool Cross, Medium Wool, Southdown, Cross, Haired

Section 2.32 It is recommended that the sanctioning show offers a 7 -breed format for swine:

Light Crossbred, Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, Light OPB, Dark OPB, Dark Crossbred

Section 2.33 PYLA recommends that gilts and barrows be shown together at any sanctioned shows.

Points

Section 3.1 Each paid member of the PYLA will receive five points upon PYLA registration. The member will also receive five points for every species he or she signs up for after the original species registered. Remember, points are not transferable to or from members, to or from another species, and to or from any other junior livestock association.

Section 3.2 Exhibitors will receive triple points at any of the show that is hosted on by the PYLA. Points for each individual sanctioned show will be up to the group, organization or hosting party. Please remember that if the show you attend is not sanctioned you will not receive points for that show.

Section 3.3 In order to receive points at any sanctioned PYLA show the PYLA member must be in attendance and exhibit their own animals in their respective class. The only exception is if the exhibitor has more than one head in the class, or if the exhibitor is showing another animal or species in another ring at the same show. If the exhibitor shows in ring A and cannot show in ring B, due to an illness, it will be the hosting groups discretion weather to allow an alternate to show for said exhibitor.

Section 3.4 In order for the member to be eligible for points the animal must be registered in the exhibitor's name.

Section 3.5 A show may choose to add a breed not recognized by the PYLA to any species. However, points will not be given to any member that shows in the breed that is not recognized by Premier Youth Livestock Association.

Points will be given as follows:

Section 3.6 Heifer division the heifer must be registered in the member's name. No multiple ownership will be allowed.

Section 3.7 Points will be given as table listed below; it will be based off number of head in each class. It is the group, organization or persons hosting the shows responsibility to turn in accurate records for points for each sanctioned show.

Section 3.8 Steer, Heifer, Lamb, Goat & Swine Points

# in class	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th
1	30															
2 - 3	40	30	20													
4-7	50	40	30	20	15	10*										
8-11	60	50	40	30	20	15	10*									
12-16	70	60	50	40	30	20	15	10*								
17-21	80	70	60	50	40	30	20	15	10*							
22-26	90	80	70	60	50	40	30	20	15	10*						
27-31	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	30	20	15	10*					
32-36	110	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	30	20	15	10*				
37-41	120	110	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	30	20	15	10*			
42-46	130	120	110	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	30	20	15	10*		
47-51	140	130	120	110	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	30	20	15	10*	
52 & up	150	140	130	120	110	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	30	20	15	10*

10 points are given for each placing after *

Section 3.9 Breed champions of respective breeds will receive an additional 15 points. Reserve breed champions will receive an additional 10 points. Supreme champion of each species will receive an additional 50 points. Reserve supreme champion of each species will receive an additional 40 points, if the show does a top 5 overall, the points will go as follows: Supreme 50 points, res 40 points, 3rd overall 30 points, 4th overall 20 points, 5th overall 10 points.

Section 3.10 Points will be given at any show that is sanctioned by PYLA, and also given at the shows hosted by the PYLA. All shows sanctioned by the PYLA will have the opportunity to host a show for double points. All shows put on by PYLA will be worth triple points.

Section 3.11 PYLA has the right to correct points during any time of the year, if deemed necessary, by the board of directors.

Section 3.12 At any major show recognized by the PYLA, the PYLA will only allow the points up to the placings of that particular major shows records. If the major show only places and records up to 8th place, the PYLA will only give points up to 8th place.

Protest

Section 4.1 If a person or persons choose to file a protest regarding a show, or a rule that has been broken by another exhibitor, parent, or show, the protest will need to be written and mailed to the PYLA along with a fee of \$225.00 in the form of money order or cashier's check payable to Premier Youth Livestock Association. A protest will not be accepted unless all of the following are met: The protest must be filed and received in writing and signed by person or persons filing the protest. The protest must include the name, address, email and phone number of the person filing the protest, along with the name of the show and show manager where the rule was broken or violations were committed. The protest must clearly state the PYLA rule(s) that was violated or broken. The protest must include the names and contact information of the supporting witnesses.

Section 4.2 The protest must be made no later than 5 days of said violation.

Section 4.3 If the protest is ruled in the favor of the person or persons filing the protest, the person or persons will receive \$125.00 dollars of the \$225.00 protest fee returned. The remaining \$100.00 of the protest fee will go

to the PYLA for legal fees and paperwork. If the protest is denied, none of the \$225.00 protest fee will be returned.

Regions

Region 1- Cameron, Starr, Hidalgo, Willacy, Zapata, Kenedy, Brooks, Jim Hogg, Webb, Duval, Kleberg, Nueces, Jim Wells, Aransas, San Patricio, Live Oak, McCullen, La Salle, Dimmit, Maverick, Kinney, Zavala, Frio, Bee, Refugio, Calhoun, Victoria, Goliad, Karnes, Atascosa, Wilson, Dewitt, Bexar, Medina, Uvalde, Bandera, Kendall, Comal, Guadalupe,

Region 2- Jackson, Matagorda, Lavaca, Gonzales, Caldwell, Hays, Galveston, Brazoria, Wharton, Fort Bend, Colorado, Fayette, Bastrop, Travis, Llano, Blanco, Chambers, Harris, Austin, Waller, Jefferson, Orange, Liberty, Montgomery, Grimes, Lee, Burleson, Washington, Brazos, Milam, Williamson, Bell, Burnet, San Saba, Lampasas, Leon, Robertson, Houston, Walker, Trinity, Polk, San Jacinto, Tyler, Jasper, Newton, Madison, Hardin.

Region 3- Sabine, San Augustine, Shelby, Nacogdoches, Angelina, Cherokee, Anderson, Freestone, Limestone, Falls, Coryell, McLennan, Mills, Brown, Comanche, Hamilton, Bosque, Hill, Navarro, Smith, Rusk, Panola, Harrison, Henderson, Gregg, Ellis, Johnson, Hood, Somervell, Eastland, Erath, Stephens, Palo Pinto, Parker, Tarrant, Dallas, Kaufman, Van Zandt, Camp, Wood, Upshur, Marion, Morris, Cass, Bowie, Titus, Hopkins, Hunt, Rains, Collins, Rockwall, Denton, Wise, Jack, Young, Archer, Wichita, Clay, Montague, Cooke, Grayson, Fannin, Lamar, Delta, Red River, Franklin.

Region 4- Baylor, Jones, Shackelford, Throckmorton, Haskell, Knox, King, Stonewall, Fisher, Scurry, Borden, Dawson, Gaines, Terry, Lynn, Kent, Yoakum, Cochran, Hockley, Lubbock, Crosby, Garza, Dickens, Foard, Cottle, Motley, Floyd, Hale, Lamb, Bailey, Parmer, Hall, Wilbarger, Hardeman, Childress, Briscoe, Swisher, Castro, Deaf Smith, Armstrong, Randall, Donley, Wheeler, Hemp Hill, Collingsworth, Gray, Carson, Potter, Oldham, Hartley, Moore, Hutchinson, Roberts, Lipscomb, Ochitree, Hansford, Sherman, Dallam.

Region 5- Andrews, Martin, Howard, Mitchell, Nolan, Taylor, Callahan, Coleman, Coke, Sterling, Runnels, Tom Green, Irion, Concho, McCulloch, Mason, Gillespie, Kerr, Real, Edwards, Val Verde, Kimble, Sutton, Menard, Schleicher, Crockett, Glasscock, Midland, Ector, Upton, Crane, Ward, Winkler, Pecos, Terrell, Brewster, Presidio, Reagan, Reeves, Jeff Davis, Hudspeth, Culberson, El Paso, Loving.

Code of Conduct

Section 5.1 Each exhibitor, parent, family member or visitor shall always conduct themselves in a polite respectable manner, to judges, to show officials, to other members, to all livestock, to show attendees, etc. Anyone in violation of the code of conduct will be brought to the Executive Board of the PYLA. Any consequences will be set forth by the PYLA Executive Board.

Section 5.2 If the code of conduct is violated and you would like to file a formal protest, please see sections 4.1 – 4.3.

Section 5.3 Any unexpected conduct will not be permitted by the Board of PYLA.

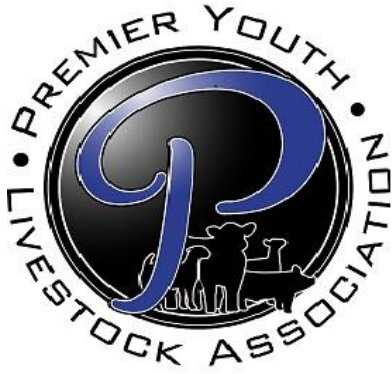
Section 5.4 Each member of the PYLA is expected to conduct themselves in a courteous manner. Any member of the association who is found guilty of vandalizing and/or theft of property of another member, or of the sanctioning show facilities, but not limited to livestock or livestock equipment, shall face immediate suspension, forfeiture from the organization, and loss of any and all points.

Section 5.5 No member, family member, and or associate shall directly abuse or threaten another member or his or her family, judge, or show official of a sanctioned show or PYLA event. Courtesy and respect are a top priority for the PYLA members, family members and associates.

Awards & Prizes

Section 6.1 Breed points, upon member sign up, that member will receive 5 points for signing up in the species they sign up under. If the exhibitor signs up for multiple species, they will receive 5 points in each species they sign up for.

Section 6.2 Supreme points champion- will be the total of the species points. If the exhibitor shows different breeds of the same species, those points will be added together for your supreme points. PYLA shows you attend.



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