



## NORTHWEST GEORGIA REGIONAL FAIR LIVESTOCK RULES AND GUIDELINES



Members of the Northwest Georgia Regional Fair Board are excited that you are planning to participate in this year's Fair! Plans have been made well in advance in hopes of making this the best year ever! As with every event involving youth, safety is the number one concern. During your time in the livestock barn, please stay aware of your surroundings.

We have added to and changed some of the following information regarding the shows and contest. Please read the next paragraph, General Rules and information on the Division you wish to enter. We look forward to see you and your livestock project at the Fair. Best of luck!

**ONLY ENTRIES FROM COUNTIES ADJACENT GORDON COUNTY WILL BE ACCEPTED!**

- ◆ Coordinators Tim Street, Gordon County 4-H Livestock Coordinator - Market Goat, Market Lamb, Breeding Heifer, Market Steer, Market Hog, and Breeding Gilt.
- ◆ Health Regulations (Requirement for the Exhibition of Livestock in Georgia) -All animals being exhibited in any type of livestock show (local, county, area, district or state) must have an official certificate of veterinary inspection (health certificate). This certificate of veterinary inspection must be issued within 30 days of the exhibition - with the exception of 4-H and FFA shows. See the current year Georgia 4-H and FFA State Livestock Shows Rules and Regulations for specific information for 4-H and FFA health certificates. All other livestock exhibitors must follow rules and regulations as outlined in the "Health Requirement for Exhibition of Livestock in Georgia," revised October 7, 2003, from the Georgia Department of Agriculture. No animals will be allowed entry onto the fairgrounds without the proper health records and test requirements.

### **General Rules (Applicable to all Livestock)**

- ◆ All entries shall be classified immediately upon arrival and classification cannot be changed.
- ◆ All livestock must conform to Health Regulations as outlined above.
- ◆ All livestock may be subject to health inspection by an Official State Veterinarian.
- ◆ The livestock barn will be open during fair operation hours.
- ◆ See show information for check-in and show times.
- ◆ Livestock must remain in the barn until 9:30 p.m. following the species show unless otherwise specified.
- ◆ An exhibitor may enter five animals per individual show, but may not have more than two entries in any one class in competition for prize money.
- ◆ The contestants must be present at time of judging or make prior arrangements to have their animals shown due to an excuse approved by the show committee.
- ◆ Ribbons may accompany premium awards.
- ◆ All premiums will be paid by the Northwest Georgia Regional Fair.
- ◆ All livestock must have a creditable showing in order to qualify to receive a premium.
- ◆ Each exhibitor must furnish their own feed, feed pan, water pail and show supplies. The fair will furnish the bedding, electric power and water supply. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to feed, water, clean-up after their animals and provide the general care for their animals while at the fair. Waste must be disposed of in a timely matter at the designated site behind the right side of the livestock barn.
- ◆ Veterinarian service for all animals while at the fair will be the responsibility and expense of the owner.
- ◆ The fair will not be responsible for loss or damage to any exhibit and will give the best care and attention to prevent loss or damage.



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## General Rules (Applicable to all Livestock) (continued)

- ◆ There will be showmanship classes.
- ◆ We shall honor the Statement of Relation (Memorandum of Understanding) between Vocational Education and the Cooperative Extension which is considered the official agreement. This agreement guides 4-H and FFA participation in events. The intent of the agreement is to support youth participating in both organizations with different project areas and to disallow a young person competing in both organizations with the same project area in the same year.
- ◆ All animals must be registered (or registration must be applied for) in the name of the exhibitor prior to fair time.
- ◆ Coordinators reserve the right to disqualify any animal on the basis of health concerns due to fungus, warts, etc.
- ◆ Entry fees of \$10 per head due at time of entry deadline via mail.

## **DIVISION A - MARKET GOAT SHOW**

Check-in will be from 4:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 10th; the market goat show will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 10th.

### **Showmanship Classes:**

- ◆ For showmanship, exhibitors will be classified based on grade level as of September 1, 2023; Showmanship Class will be shown by every three grade levels.
- ◆ Premiums are as follows:

1st place \$20.00	2nd place \$15.00	3rd place \$10.00	All Other Placements \$5.00
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### **Market Classes:**

- ◆ Classes will be comprised according to weight range and then by number of entries received in that range. Premiums are as follows:

1st place \$35.00	2nd place \$30.00	3rd place \$25.00	4th place \$20.00	5th place \$15.00	All Other Placements
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### **Division Market Classes:**

- ◆ Providing enough entries are received, there will be a division class following every third market class. Premiums are as follows:

Division Champion \$20.00	Reserve Division Champion \$15.00
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### **Grand and Reserve Grand Champions:**

- ◆ Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will be selected from class, or if applicable, division winners. Premiums are as follows:

Grand Champion \$50.00	Reserve Grand Champion \$40.00
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### **DIVISION B - MARKET LAMB SHOW**

Check-in will be from 4:00 until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 11th; the show will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 11th.

#### **Showmanship Classes:**

- ♦ For showmanship, exhibitors will be classified based on grade level as of September 1, 2023; Showmanship Class will be shown by every three grade levels.
- ♦ Premiums are as follows:

1st place \$20.00	2nd place \$15.00	3rd place \$10.00	All Other Placements \$5.00
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#### **Market Classes:**

- ♦ Classes will be comprised according to weight range and then by number of entries received in that range. Premiums are as follows:

1st place \$35.00	2nd place \$30.00	3rd place \$25.00	4th place \$20.00	5th place \$15.00	All Other Placements \$10.00
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#### **Division Market Classes:**

- ♦ Providing enough entries are received, there will be a division class following every third market class. Premiums are as follows:

Division Champion \$20.00	Reserve Division Champion \$15.00
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#### **Grand and Reserve Grand Champions:**

- ♦ Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will be selected from class, or if applicable, division winners. Premiums are as follows:

Grand Champion \$50.00	Reserve Grand Champion \$40.00
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### **DIVISION C - BREEDING HEIFER AND MARKET STEER SHOW**

Check-in will be from 4:00 until 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 12th; the show will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 12th.

#### **Showmanship Classes:**

- ♦ For showmanship, exhibitors will be classified based on grade level as of September 1, 2023; Showmanship Class will be shown by every three grade levels.
- ♦ Premiums are as follows:

1st place \$25.00	2nd place \$20.00	3rd place \$15.00	4th place \$10.00	All Other Placements \$5.00
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#### **Heifer Classes:**

- ♦ Classes will be categorized between registered and commercial, which will be shown by birthdate.
- ♦ Premiums are as follows:
- ♦ In the Junior Beef Cattle Show, five or more of any breed will constitute a division. Premiums are as follows:

1st place \$35.00	2nd place \$30.00	3rd place \$25.00	4th place \$20.00	5th place \$15.00	All Other Placements \$10.00
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**DIVISION C - BREEDING HEIFER AND MARKET STEER SHOW**

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**Steer Classes:**

- ♦ Classes will be shown by weight range and then by number of entries received in that range. Premiums are as follows:

1st place \$35.00	2nd place \$30.00	3rd place \$25.00	4th place \$20.00	5th place \$15.00	All Other Placements \$10.00
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**Division Classes:**

- ♦ Providing enough entries are received, there will be a division class following every third market class. Premiums are as follows:

Division Champion \$20.00	Reserve Division Champion \$15.00
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**Grand and Reserve Grand Champions:**

- ♦ Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will be selected from class, or, if applicable, division, winners. A Grand and Reserve Champion will be selected for Heifer (Registered), Commercial and Steer. Premiums are as follows:

Grand Champion \$50.00	Reserve Grand Champion \$40.00
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**DIVISION D - HOG SHOW**

Check-in will be from 4:00 pm until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 15th; the show will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, September 15th.

- ♦ There will be no Boar classes.
- ♦ All entries will be classified as either market hog or breeding gilt entries; no animal is allowed to be shown in both.
- ♦ All gilt classes will be weighed at check-in and divided into classes according to that weight.
- ♦ All market hogs will be weighed at check-in and divided into classes according to that weight.

**Showmanship Classes:**

- ♦ For showmanship, exhibitors will be classified based on grade level as of September 1, 2023; Showmanship Class will be shown by every three grade levels.
- ♦ Premiums are as follows:

1st place \$25.00	2nd place \$20.00	3rd place \$15.00	4th place \$10.00	All Other Placements \$5.00
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**Market Hog Classes:**

- ♦ Classes will be comprised according to weight and then by number of entries received in that range. Premiums are as follows:

1st place \$35.00	2nd place \$30.00	3rd place \$25.00	4th place \$20.00	5th place \$15.00	All Other Placements \$10.00
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**DIVISION D - HOG SHOW**

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**Breeding Gilt Classes:**

- ♦ Classes will be comprised according to weight and then by number of entries received in that range. Premiums are as follows:

1st place \$35.00	2nd place \$30.00	3rd place \$25.00	4th place \$20.00	5th place \$15.00	All Other Placements \$10.00
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**Grand and Reserve Grand Champions:**

- ♦ Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will be selected from class winners. A Grand and Reserve Champion will be selected for Market Hog and Breeding Gilt. Premiums are as follows:

Grand Champion \$50.00	Reserve Grand Champion \$40.00
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If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact : Tim Street — 706-629-8685