

WALLER COUNTY FAIR COMMERCIAL PEN OF HEIFERS

2021

This project is part of the Junior Livestock Division. Exhibitors must abide by the General and Junior Livestock Division Rules.

Note: For the first two years (2021 & 2022), only the Grand and Reserve Champion Pen of Heifers will sell.

RULES

1. All rules in this department will be subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Waller County Fair Association (WCFA). General Rules can be found at www.wallercountyfair.org
2. The Commercial Pen of Heifers Project is an opportunity for Junior Exhibitors to learn more about the beef cattle industry. Crossbred heifers are desired but purebred heifers will be permitted to show provided they have not been shown anywhere previous to the Commercial Pen of Heifers Show.
3. Heifers tagged in for the Waller County Fair Halter Heifer Show may not be used to make a Commercial Pen of heifers.
4. All Commercial Pen of Heifers will be tagged in on Sunday, May 16 at 1 pm-6 pm.
5. Each exhibitor is eligible to validate and tag 4 heifers, but **only two (2) will be entered and exhibited for the show.**
6. The Pen of 2 non-halter heifers should be 18-24 months old at the time of show. (Tooth rule applies. See rule 12.)
7. Heifers are **not required to be halter broke.**
8. Heifers must be dehorned in order to exhibit. No grooming of hair on fair facilities with clippers.

9. All heifers must be bred a minimum of 90 days at the time of the show. Any heifer that is not bred at least a minimum of 90 days will be disqualified from the show.
10. Heifers cannot calve out prior to the fair, if they do that particular heifer is disqualified. If heifers calve out during the fair, they will be allowed in the show.
11. All heifers must be calfhood vaccinated prior to tag-in. Heifers must have a metal calf hood vaccination tag in their ear or tattoo.
12. All heifers must have health papers and must be palpated by a licensed veterinarian no more than 30 days prior to show date. Palpation results must be listed on the health papers. Tooth rule applies and the results must be listed on the health papers. Papers are due at the time of check-in.
13. Family tagging will be allowed. However, each exhibitor must fill out an entry form and pay entry fees as stated in the WCFA General Rules.
14. There will be a \$30.00 registration fee and \$10.00 per head tagging in.
15. If a heifer loses a tag, contact a committee member and they will be retagged.
16. All heifers will be required to turn in an Official Project Record Book. If it is not turned in, it will result in disqualification. A templet will be provided for everyone to use in their Record Book.

Note: This is not a scrapbook competition. At the time of tag in, templates and paperwork needed for the record book will be provided.

17. The scoring system for the Commercial Pen of Heifers will be as follows:
 - a. Live Evaluation of Heifers: 60 points(30 points per heifer)
 - b. Exhibitor Record Book: 20 points
 - c. Exhibitor Interview 20 points

**Note: Juniors will be allowed to have 1 parent present during the interview. This is for support. Parents are not allowed to answer the questions but can provide clarification of a question to their child.*

18. Eligibility forms are due at the time of check in.
19. Exhibitors will be expected to maintain their pens and care for their animals at all times.

20. If a project gets sick at the fair, it may be treated by the Fair Veterinarian. Refer to the WCFA Drug Policy.
21. Drug Testing will be performed on Grand and Reserve Champion and one (1) random pen of heifers. No interfering with the testing area and testing official.
22. Exhibitors shall be responsible for the delivery of their projects listed for sale at the time mutually agreed upon between buyer and seller to any destination in Waller County. Failure to comply with this delivery rule will result in the forfeiture of the money that would have been paid by the buyer to the exhibitor. The Waller County Fair Association assumes no responsibility for the delivery or loss of the exhibitor's project.
23. Delivery receipts must be signed by buyer once the animals are delivered before the exhibitor will receive a check. (See General Rules)
24. All exhibitors must bring a thank you note for their buyers in an addressed and stamped envelope. **This will need to be turned in on the day of checkout.**

SCHEDULE

Informational Meeting		Barbara Carpenter Building
Pen of Heifers Tag In	Sunday: May 16 at 1:00 pm-6:00 pm	Fairgrounds- Show Barn
Record Book Due Date	September 23 rd at 9:00 am	
Pen of Heifers Arrival	September 23 rd at 8:00 am	Fairgrounds- Show Barn
Interviews	September 23 rd at 5:00 pm	Barbara Carpenter Building/Edmonds Hall
Pen of Heifers Evaluation by judges	September 24 th at 10:00 am	Fairgrounds- Show Barn
Awards	September 24 th at 5:00 pm	Fairgrounds- Show Barn
Move Out & Clean Up	September 24 th after awards	
Sale of Cattle	October 2 nd	

W9 Forms must be filled out at tag-in. Please have social security numbers on hand.