

PASCO COUNTY FAIR YOUTH BEEF SHOW & SALE 2010 RULES & REGULATIONS

SECTION 1 – FUNCTIONS AND DEADLINES:

All functions will occur at the Albert A. Barthle Livestock Arena on the Pasco County Fairgrounds, Dade City, FL unless stated otherwise***:

1. **Steer entry form** must be mailed and postmarked by September 1, 2009.
2. **Steer entry weigh-in** will be Saturday, September 12, 2009; 8:00-11:00 a.m.
3. **Steer exhibitor seminar** will be held Thursday, September 17, 2009 at 7:00 PM; Clayton Hall at Fairgrounds. **It is mandatory for all exhibitors**; 1st year exhibitors will have a meeting following the seminar.
4. *** **Hoof Trimming**-Dade City Sr. FFA Barn, 8:00-11:00, Saturday, January 16, 2010.
5. **Steer, Heifer & Bull exhibitor mandatory workday** Monday, January 18, 2010.
6. **Mandatory steer exhibitor body clipping workshop** Monday, January 18, 2010; during mandatory workday, 10:30 AM. *****Recommended that parents and 4H and FFA advisors be present.**
7. **Steer confirmation weigh-in** will be Tuesday, February 16, 2010, 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
8. **Steer Showmanship** will be held, Tuesday February 16, 2010, 6:00 p.m.
9. **Steer Show** will be held Wednesday February 17, 2010, 6:00 p.m.
10. **Steer Sale** will be held Thursday February 18, 2010, 7:00 p.m.

*****Failure to follow rules and regulations of the show will be grounds for disqualification.**

Pasco County Fair Youth Beef Show & Sale
P.O. Box 1495, Dade City, FL 33526-1495
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SECTION 2 – GENERAL RULES:

2.1 - ELIGIBILITY OF ALL EXHIBITORS

- A. Exhibitors shall be limited to showing and selling one sale project per year (steer, hog). Exhibitors may show a plant also.
- B. All exhibitors shall belong to a youth agricultural organization. Organization examples are: Pasco County 4-H Club, Pasco County FFA Chapter.

****All exhibitors must be enrolled in an Elementary, Middle or Secondary school.**

Minimum ages, as of September 1, 2008 are 10 years of age for steer exhibitors and 8 years of age for breeding show exhibitors. ALL exhibitors, regardless of organization, must maintain a grade point average of 2.0 or better for the previous semester grading period (Public High Schools are based on cumulative grade point average). Proof of grade point must be submitted on the enclosed form and attached to the record book at the time of check-in. ****This rule is superseded by any school eligibility. *Each exhibitor must declare on the Entry Form which youth organization his/her project will belong to. Once declared on the Entry Form, there will be absolutely no change.***

- C. Each exhibitor must be responsible for the major part of the care and feeding of his or her animal through the project.
- D. Exhibitors entering an animal **MUST** show and/or sell their own animal. Exceptions will be handled on an individual basis. No animal will be substituted for the Showmanship program.
- E. Record books may be kept in either 4-H or FFA accepted record books on each project. **All record books must be hand written.** Typed record book will **NOT** be accepted. ALL completed record books must be turned in on Sunday, February 7, 2010 between 3:00-5:00 PM at Clayton Hall. No member of the beef committee will be involved in judging record books. All record books must be in approved covers. Covers will be available from the Beef Committee.
- F. During **ALL** shows and sale; exhibitors **ARE REQUIRED** to be in proper 4-H/FFA attire.
- G. Each exhibitor must furnish his/her own care, feed, and bedding for his/her animals during the fair. Fitting and grooming of animals must be done primarily by the exhibitor during the fair.
- H. All exhibitors must service their animals and area until time of release. Any exhibitor who neglects to do this will be fined a fee of \$25.00.
- I. Each exhibitor must assume responsibility and liability in the event of loss, death or injury of his/her animals. The Pasco County Fair Beef Committee is not responsible for the health or safety of any animals entered or exhibited.
- J. Exhibitors are **required** to maintain their own exhibit and surrounding area in an attractive condition and to cooperate with Show

Officials in presenting attractive exhibits.

K. Eligibility of exhibitors shall be determined by the Pasco County Fair Beef Committee and all exhibitors, by submitting their application; agree to abide by the committee's decision regarding eligibility and all rules of show.

L. All 4-H and FFA exhibitors will be placed in the following age categories based on exhibitor's age as of September 1, 2009.
Junior (age 10-12) Intermediate (age 13-15) Senior (age 16-18)
***Exhibitors must maintain proper conduct while exhibiting and showing their animals during fair week and while on fairgrounds property. Observed infractions will be dealt with by the committee.

PROOF OF GRADE POINT AVERAGE FORM MUST be completed and attached to the record book. Grade point average is to be figured on semester grades and be written on form. Form must have school seal. (Public High Schools are based on cumulative grade point.). The form is downloadable on the fair web page.

2.2 - ELIGIBILITY OF ALL ANIMALS

A. There will be a \$15.00 non-refundable registration fee for each steer exhibitor when each entry form is submitted. This fee shall be a processing fee only and shall not be a consideration for being allowed to show.

B. All steers must be bred and born in Pasco County and must be purchased directly from breeder. **NO SALE BARNs, AUCTIONS, OR BROKERS.** However, if breeder has continuous property in an adjoining county (county line runs through property) animals will be eligible. Breeder's certificate will be required for all animals. **The form is downloadable on the fair web page.**

C. All animals must be dehorned before entering the fair. Animals with horns will be disqualified.

D. Each animal must be led before the sifting committee by the exhibitor at the time of entry into the fair and the exhibitor must show his/her ability to handle the animal safely at that time. No animal may be exhibited in competition that cannot be properly managed and led in the show ring by the exhibitor.

E. Tampering with any animal, such as filling with a foreign substance is prohibited. The use of tranquilizers on animals at the fair will be construed as a form of tampering.

HEALTH REGULATIONS

All animals must be in compliance with the rules of the State of Florida for exhibition of animals (Section 5C-4). **Since these rules may change, exhibitors will be given the rules at a later date.

2.3 - BARN RULES

- A. Stalls will be cleaned between 6:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. (The committee encourages all exhibitors to maintain good school attendance during fair week).
- B. At no time are rakes and pitchforks permitted in the tie areas or aisles unless they are in the hands of individual exhibitors.
- C. No feed boxes or hay bags allowed; feed pans and buckets only. They must be removed after feeding.
- D. Service areas, stalls, pens, animals and public walkways are to be kept clean and orderly at all times.
- E. Show boxes must be kept in designated show box areas.
- F. Animals may be led into the show ring for practice from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., but no animal is to be tied in the ring at any time.
*****Exhibitor must also clean up after their animal when leaving the show ring.**
- G. There will be NO overnight stays in the barn. NO exceptions.
- H. No clipping or trimming of animals will be allowed in the building or wash area.
- I. No grooming chutes allowed into the barn until all animals have been checked in.
- J. All lead ropes/straps shall be no shorter than 36 inches from the chain.

SECTION 3- STEER PROJECT RULES

3.1 - ELIGIBILITY OF STEER EXHIBITORS

- A. Steer exhibitor and his/her steer must be present on Saturday September 12, 2009, between 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. at the livestock barn on the fairgrounds. It is strongly recommended that a parent attend the weigh-in. This will be the official weigh-in for each steer. If a steer is not present at the time, the steer will not be entered.

B. **All steer exhibitors are required to attend an educational seminar to be held Thursday, September 17, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. in Clayton Hall.** There will be a first year exhibitor meeting after this meeting. First year exhibitors' parents **must** attend this seminar unless prior arrangements are made. **Exhibitors not present, without prior notice, will not be allowed to exhibit their steer.**

C. Personal grooming of steers at the show will be done by the **EXHIBITOR ONLY**, with assistance from a parent, guardian, advisor or fellow exhibitor. If an infraction is observed in the barn area by one or more of the Beef Committee members, the exhibitor will not be eligible to show his/her animal in the steer show. Exceptions to this rule must be approved by Committee members.

3.2 - ELIGIBILITY OF STEERS

A. Each exhibitor may enter only one steer as his/her project animal.

B. Ownership of the steer must be vested in the exhibitor no later than September 1, 2009. Entry Form and Breeder Certificate **MUST BE POSTMARKED AND MAILED** to the Pasco County Fair Beef Show and Sale Committee, P.O. Box 1495 Dade City, FL 33526-1495, postmarked **no later than September 1, 2009**, Age certification will be used unless there is a question by the Committee, then mouthing will take preference to determine if the steer will be under 24 months of age at show time. Entry forms delivered to Committee members **will not be accepted**.

C. Steers must be of beef type and conformation.

D. All steers must be castrated or emasculated, with no evidence of being a stag animal. **It is strongly recommended that all calves be dehorned and castrated before weight-in day, September 12, 2009.**

E. It is strongly suggested that steers weigh a minimum of 600 pounds by September 12, 2009. Official weights will be taken on September 12, 2009 between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The extension agent or FFA advisor will advise exhibitors in the event the steer does not meet requirements. Tags and tattoos will be placed in each steer's ear by the Committee. Photos may be taken at this time for educational purposes.

F. CLOSE CLIPPING:

F1. All steers must arrive at the fair close clipped (maximum of 1/4 inch) over the body leaving only the switch.

F2. Clipping of steers must be done before arrival at the fair.

F3. Clipping should be of the head, body, underline, tail, and legs above the knee and hock.

F4. The sifting committee will make the final binding decision on eligibility of steers.

- G. Arrival: On February 16, 2010, between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 AM, steers must weigh-in. Steers will be placed in classes according to weight. Steers must weigh a minimum of 950 lbs. and must have gained a minimum of 2.00 lbs./day since the September weigh-in. **FOR RECORD BOOK PURPOSES** use 156 days when figuring average daily gain for steer. **328 lbs. needed for weight gain requirements.
- H. Steers not meeting fair requirements will not be allowed in the barn and shall be taken home.
- I. Steers shall remain on exhibit until loaded out on Thursday night after the sale except by written permission of the beef committee.

3.3 - CARCASS CONTEST RULES

All steers will be judged by ultrasound upon entry into the fair on February 16, 2010. The results from the ultra sound will determine and rank each steer according to backfat, ribeye area, marbling and final value according to the USDA grading. The Carcass Award Presentation will be made on Thursday February 18, 2010 prior to the steer sale.

AWARDS - Top 3 placing carcasses will receive awards.

3.4 - STEER SHOWMANSHIP-6:00 p.m., Tuesday 2/16/2010.

Exhibitors will compete for showmanship honors in Junior, Intermediate and Senior age divisions. Youth showing Chapter or Club steers are eligible for the showmanship contest. Exhibitors shall show their own animals. No substitutions accepted without committee approval.

3.5 - STEER SHOW-6:00 p.m. Wednesday 2/17/2010.

- A. Steers will be judged under the Modified Danish System (Blue, Red, White Ribbon Award). A Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion steer will be selected and presented awards.
- B. Only Blue Ribbon steers will be eligible to compete for Championships.
- C. The Overall Steer Exhibitor will be selected on the following basis: Animal Class Placing, Record Book, and Showmanship. This will be done by a point system. Prizes will be awarded prior to the Sale. Ties will be broken with record book score.
- D. Awards: (Program will begin 30 minutes before sale.)

Grand Champion Award	Reserve Grand Champion Award
Overall Steer Exhibitor Award	Record Books
(4-H, FFA-Jr, Int, Sr.) Award	Showmanship (Jr., Int., Sr.) Award
Albert Barthle Herdsman Award	1st Year Rookie Steer Exhibitor Award

3.6 - STEER SALE– 7:00 p.m., Thursday 2/18/2010.

- A. Only exhibitor steers which show in the Pasco County Fair Steer Show will be considered for the sale.

B. Steer maximum selling weight is 1,200 lbs., Steers weighing more than 1,200 lbs. will be sold at 1,200 lbs., Buyers will only pay for 1,200 lbs. for steers weighing more than this amount. The sale program will show 1,200 lbs. for steers weighing more than this amount.

C. To assure that a sufficient number of buyers will be present, each exhibitor will be responsible for contacting, by letter, at least four (4) bidders to bid on their steer. A copy of each of the four (4) letters sent to the bidders **must** be attached to the record book. Exhibitors **WILL** be fined \$25.00 per letter not enclosed.

D. Prior to the start of the official Pasco County Fair Steer Sale, a "packer resale" price will be established for resale value of steers in the regular sale, so buyers at the steer sale will know in advance what the approximate resale value is, if they intend to use this option.

E. Exhibitors of the Grand and Reserve Champion, followed by Class winners, First Place Showmanship winners and First Place Record Book winners, will lead the selling order, and the remaining steers will sell in random order, to be determined by lot.

F. No steer may sell for as high a price as the Grand Champion or Reserve Champion. Reserve Champion must sell for at least \$.01 (1 cent) per pound less than the Grand Champion. All other steers must sell for at least \$.01 (1 cent) per pound less than the Reserve Champion.

G. A five percent (5%) sale charge will be deducted from the sale of each steer for advertising, promotion, awards and expenses.

H. A 5% handling fee will be deducted from all add-ons. We encourage add-ons be given directly to exhibitor. The **ORIGINAL THANK YOU LETTER** to be sent to the buyer of the exhibitor's steer and **THANK YOU LETTERS** to all **across the board add-ons MUST be turned in no later than 5:00 p.m. on Sunday 02/21/2010**. The letters must be in an envelope, addressed with return address, stamped and ready for mailing. If the letters are not received by Sunday at 5:00 p.m., there will be a \$25.00 fine plus \$25.00 for each week thereafter until the **THANK YOU** letters are received. Copies of individual add-ons will be mailed to the exhibitor as soon as possible.

I. Payments to exhibitors will be made as funds allow, but **not prior to April 15, 2010**.

J. All steers remain the responsibility of the exhibitor until they are loaded out on Thursday, February 18, 2010 at which time they become the buyer's property. **Exhibitor or representative must be present at time of loading**.

K. \$1.00 will be taken from exhibitor's check for the Beef Check-Off.

2009-2010 PASCO COUNTY FAIR YOUTH BEEF COMMITTEE

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Mr. Ed Jennings

Honorary Member

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SUB-COMMITTEES

The following sub-committees have been appointed. Any questions or problems would be taken up with the appropriate committee member.

Barn

Dean Van Buren
Bert Jackson
Earl Singletary
David Loyd
David Castle

Breeding Show

Bill Barthle
Mark Barthle
Ed Dillard
Dennis Butler
David Castle

Health

Bill Barthle
Neil Mathis
Dennis Butler
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Awards

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