

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

MEDINA COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW 2019

ARTICLE I. NAME AND PURPOSE:

Section A: The name of this organization shall be the Medina County Junior Livestock Show.

Section B: The purpose of this organization is to hold a junior livestock show. The Sponsors, Directors and Board of Directors, with the financial aid and donations from loyal citizens and business firms of Medina County and cities in the County's trade territory, will arrange and hold this non-profit livestock show for the convenience, education and benefit of the boys and girls engaged in FFA Chapters and 4-H Club agricultural and livestock projects.

Section C: Through the medium of this show, the boys and girls who will be our future farmers and ranchers, will be encouraged in the production of better livestock.

Section D: To further aid boys and girls of Medina County, an auction sale will be held in conjunction with the show.

ARTICLE II. ORGANIZATION:

Section A: A county-wide non-profit organization controlled by a Board of Directors elected annually at the first meeting after the show of each year, shall be the structure.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP:

Section A. Any reputable person 18 or over, and not enrolled in secondary school who lives in Medina County, Texas, and who is in accord with the purpose of the organization and who is willing to cooperate in the accomplishment of its purpose, may become a member.

Section B. No member shall become in any manner liable for any expenses or other indebtedness of this organization.

Section C. Each Member in good standing shall be entitled to one vote on any business matter coming before the house at a general membership meeting. Decisions submitted to ballot vote of membership will be decided by a majority of the ballots returned.

Section D. The annual meeting shall be held in March of each year for the purpose of reviewing the past show, rule change suggestions and electing directors, officers and department superintendents. An annual report shall be given by the Executive Secretary of the association.

Section E. A special meeting of the membership may be held at any time upon call of the President of the Board of Directors. The purpose of the meeting to be stated in the notice.

Section F. Notice of all membership meetings shall be posted on the MCJLS website not later than ten (10) business days prior to the date of the meeting.

ARTICLE IV. DIRECTORS:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS Section A.

GOVERNING BODY

The Board of Directors is the governing body of the MCJLS. The composition of the Board of Directors shall be twenty-six (26) members. Twenty (20) of the directors shall be community representatives elected from five school districts, and six (6) director positions will be elected at large. Only MCJLS members in good standing are eligible to be elected to the Board of Directors.

The school districts shall be represented on the Board of Directors as follows:

Hondo - 5, Devine - 5, Medina Valley - 6, D'Hanis -2, Natalia -2

The County Extension Agents and Agricultural Science Teachers of the County, as well as the Executive Secretary and non-board member division superintendents (superintendents effective April, 2019) shall serve as an advisory committee to the Board of Directors, with voting privileges.

Section B. POLICY

The Board of Directories shall adopt such policies and procedures for the operation of this association as may be consistent with its by-laws and designed to carry out the purpose of the Association.

Section C. TERM

The Board of Director members shall serve three-year terms. At the end of each term, the position will be reopened for election. Any Director in good standing may be nominated for re-election to a position representing the school district of their residence or an open at-large position.

Section D. ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall be elected by the membership. The Board of Directors shall consist of twenty-six members. Each year board members shall be elected from each school district of the county as terms expire on a staggered schedule, plus six directors shall be elected from at large at two (2) each year. This allows board members to be elected each year to serve a three-year term. Director elections shall be conducted during the month of March. The newly-elected directors shall begin their term immediately following their election.

Section E. QUÓRUM

Fifteen (15) directors and advisory committee members present at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum to transact business, and any matter brought before a meeting of the Directors shall be decided by a majority.

Section F. SPECIAL MEETING

Special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be called by its President.

Section G. ATTENDANCE

Any member of the board unable to attend a meeting or work day shall notify the President or Executive Secretary stating the reason for his/her absence. If a director is absent from two (2) consecutive meetings for reasons which the board has failed to declare to be sufficient, his or her resignation shall be deemed tendered and accepted. Any director missing a combination of four (4) meetings or work days in a calendar year, for reasons which the board has failed to declare to be sufficient, his or her resignation shall be deemed tendered and accepted.

Section H. RESIGNATION

Any director may resign at any time by giving written notice to the president or executive secretary. The board will vote on the resignation, to approve or disapprove the resignation. Date and time will be in the letter of resignation. Any Director may be removed by a 2/3 vote of the entire board. Any vacancy that might occur on the board of directors shall be filled by a majority vote of the directors, with the understanding that the directors shall choose its new member from the membership of the respective school district in which the vacancy has occurred, or at-large if such applies, and the new member to be elected shall serve out the term of the director whom he or she is replacing.

Section I. INSURANCE

The show and all activities shall carry Insurance.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS:

Section A. OFFICERS

The elected officers of this organization shall be a President, a Vice President, and a Secretary, and one officer shall be elected by the Board of Directors annually. An officer is elected to the position of Secretary each year and will serve a three-year at large commitment as rotation of Secretary, Vice-President and President. Officers shall take office at the time of their election.

SECTION B. DUTIES

The duties of each officer shall be those customarily exercised by those offices.

- a. PRESIDENT: The President is the executive officer and in general charge of the execution of the rules of the Board of the Directors and the MCJLS. The President shall preside at all meetings of the members and Board of Directors and perform all duties usual to such office or as prescribed by the Board of Directors. The President shall only vote in the case of a tie vote among the Board of Directors.
- b. VICE PRESIDENT: The Vice President shall, in the absence of the President or if requested, perform the duties of the President or such duties as the President may designate. The Vice President shall have voting privileges at Board of Directors meetings unless serving as acting president.
- c. SECRETARY: The Secretary shall, in the absence of the President and Vice President, perform the duties of the President or such duties as the President may designate. The Secretary shall have voting privileges at Board of Directors meetings unless serving as acting president.

Section C. VACANCY

If the Presidency is vacated the Vice President shall become President, and the Secretary shall become the Vice President.

The Secretary's office shall then be filled by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Any officer elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his or her predecessor in office.

Section D. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

The Board of Directors may appoint an Executive Secretary to perform duties as assigned by the Board of Directors and will be part of the advisory committee.

ARTICLE VI. DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENTS:

Section A. DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENTS

Department Superintendents will be elected to oversee the following departments:

1. Steers
2. Halter Heifers
3. Swine
4. Lambs
5. Goats
6. Commercial Heifers
7. Poultry
8. Rabbits
9. Ag Mechanics/Tractor Restoration
10. Auction
11. Facilities

Section B. SELECTION

Department Superintendents will be elected for each department for a period of one year and can be elected again by the membership. Department Superintendents, who are not board members, will serve as members of the advisory committee and be required to attend the March, April, and December meetings; failure to attend those meetings will make them ineligible to be department superintendents the following year. This will become effective April, 2019.

Section C. DUTIES

Department Superintendents are responsible for:

1. Implementing and enforcing general and special rules applicable to their respective department.
2. Organizing necessary volunteers to assist with weigh-in, class breaks, and show ring operation.
3. Determine show needs for the respective department including scales, ring arrangement and special needs. Superintendents will inform Facility Superintendent of needs, layout and desired arrangement at least 3 days prior to department show.
4. Breaking of classes in a fair and equitable manner.
5. Inform President or Executive Secretary of rule infractions and any action taken to resolve issue.
6. Assist Executive Secretary by proofing general and special rules following adoption and edits of such rules.

ARTICLE VII. LOCATION:

Section A: The location of the annual show shall be at the Show Barn at the Medina County Fair Grounds.

ARTICLE VIII. ADOPTION:

Section A: The approval of a majority of the members of the Medina County Junior Livestock Show present at a meeting of the membership shall be necessary for the adoption of this constitution and by-laws.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENT:

Section A: In order to amend the constitution, a written copy of the proposed amendment must be delivered electronically and/or physically to directors ten (10) business days prior to the date of the meeting of the membership at which time the amendment is to be voted upon. It will be the duty of the directors of each community to see that the members of his community are familiar with the amendment. A majority of the directors present at the meeting will be necessary to amend the constitution. The constitution may be amended at the annual meeting or a special meeting.

Section B: The General Rules and Regulations of this show are subject to change from year to year, based on suggestions made at the Annual Open Board meeting in March each year. Amendments may be made at no other time than the meeting following the annual open meeting, unless notice of a proposed amendment is given electronically and/or physically to Board of Directors ten (10) business days prior to a special meeting of the membership. Notice of said special meeting must be posted on the MCJLS website and information should be distributed by directors to membership. A two-thirds (2/3) majority of the directors and advisory committee members present at the meeting will be necessary to amend the Rules and Regulations.

BY- LAWS

ARTICLE I. By-Laws (also referred to as general rules and regulations) of this organization shall be the rules of the Medina County Junior Livestock Show set forth in the 1988 rules, not supplanted by this constitution or in conflict with it.

QUALIFICATIONS

The show is a local medium of exposition whereby FFA and 4-H club members can enter their projects for competitive judging and ribbons. They may also receive further financial return from the public auction sale. All exhibits in this show must be under the supervision of the county agents or agriculture science instructors. Exhibits are limited to bona fide Medina County FFA or 4-H club members, and they must be members by December 15 prior to the show. In addition, exhibitors must, on the day of the show: 1) be enrolled and attending, private, public, or home-based elementary or secondary school; OR 2) have graduated from a private, public, or home-based high school within the past 90 days.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

EXHIBITORS SHOULD FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH ALL THE GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SHOW AND THOSE APPLICABLE TO THEIR EXHIBITS.

RULE VIOLATIONS - Violation of any rule within, will result in the disqualification and financial penalty to the exhibitor, at the discretion of the Board. Superintendents are in charge of enforcing the rules for their division.

1. ***ABSOLUTE RIGHT:*** Final and absolute right is vested in the Board of Directors to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with the show and the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgment may determine.
2. ***GOVERNING POWER:*** All exhibits will be under the control and direction of the Board of Directors. Each exhibitor will be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss, injury or damage done to, or occasioned by, or arising from any animal or article exhibited by him or her. He or she shall indemnify differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of, or connected with the show against all legal or their proceedings in regard thereto, as well as damages or injury to any other person or property caused by the exhibitor or any of the animals exhibited by him or her, or arising out of, or in any way connected with such exhibition or any of the animals so exhibited.
3. ***SPECIAL RULES:*** Special Rules are published in any division where necessary. If there is a conflict between the Special Rules and the General Rules, the Board of Directors will govern the final ruling.
4. ***PROTEST:*** All protests must be in writing and accompanied by a deposit of \$100.00 cash which will be refunded if protest is sustained. Such protest must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal and must be delivered to the secretary within 24 hours of the incident in question.
5. ***OFFICIAL JUDGE:*** The single judge system will be the policy of this show, and the decision of the judge is final in the placement of all animals. Judging of all entries shall be free of any interference from any persons other than the judge responsible for decisions and the exhibitors themselves.
6. ***HALTER BREAKING:*** All animals exhibited must be broke to halter or be gentle enough to be handled in and out of the show ring and in the show in general, without delay or danger to others.

7. **ENTRY FORMS AND ENTRY DEADLINE:** Application for MCJLS Entry will be on official MCJLS printed forms. These forms are available from your FFA Advisor or the Medina County Extension Office. These completed forms along with required entry fees are due by December 15th. If December 15th falls upon a weekend or holiday, the deadline will extend to the first business day following the 15th. Required forms and fees are to be submitted to the FFA Advisor or County Extension Office on or before the deadline. In addition, MCJLS will accept late entries up until January 10, 5:00 pm, or if that falls on a weekend or holiday, the next business day. A fee of \$250 per entry will be the penalty for late entries. Extended late entries will be taken between January 11 and the Monday before the MCJLS begins (by 5:00 pm) with an accessed fee of \$500 per entry. Any late entry along with the late fee must be delivered in person to the Medina County Agriculture Extension Office (1506 Avenue M, Hondo) by the individual participant or their representative; therefore, it is no longer the responsibility of the club manager, Agriculture Science teacher or Family and Consumer Sciences teacher to turn in the entry. Exhibitors must complete a W-9 at entry to comply with IRS tax law.
8. **NUMBER OF ENTRIES:** Exhibitors are limited to exhibit and show a maximum of 2 projects eligible for the premium auction (i.e. market animal and/or ag mechanics projects and/or restored tractors). A pen of poultry or rabbits shall be considered as a unit. All other animals are shown as individuals. Breeding classes and Commercial Heifers can be shown and will not be considered as a unit eligible for the Premium Auction.
9. **ELIGIBILITY:** Exhibitors suspended under Texas Education Code 33.081 “No Pass – No Play” are ineligible to participate in the Medina County Junior Livestock Show. Any animal owned by an ineligible exhibitor is ineligible for competition. If an exhibitor is ineligible under the “No Pass – No Play” Rule at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday prior to MCJLS, the animal is not to come on the grounds.
10. **OWNERSHIP:** Exhibitors must own and possess their animals at the beginning of and throughout the feeding period, and must feed and care for the exhibited animals during the entire feeding period. The official feeding period begins on validation day.
11. **CLASSIFICATION:** Sifters are appointed by the Board of Directors of the local show and will pass on all animals entered in the Medina County Junior Livestock Show. Decision of sifter shall be final and irrevocable. Sift will be based on physical infirmities, parasites and weight. Sifted animals will not be allowed to compete for prizes and must be removed from the show grounds after sift.
12. **STALLING:** Animals will be in pre-assigned stalls. All entries must be in their stalls prior to sifting. Animals must be kept in their stalls unless moving to and from the wash rack, show ring, or being exercised in plain sight.
13. **FEEDING:** All exhibitors must furnish all feed for their animals.
14. **WEIGHING:** All entries will be weighed by MCJLS officials on a scale designated by the Division Superintendent. Any animal that does not meet the minimum or maximum weight limits will be re-weighed immediately by Division Superintendent or his/her designee.
15. **PHOTOGRAPHS:** The show is obligated to have pictures made of all champions so they may be available for publicity.
16. **VALIDATION:** All market animals must be validated on date specified by the Board. Exhibitors may validate as many entries as they wish, and 4-H and FFA members within a household may validate the same animals. Central validation locations will be used. A state validation will be used on steers, lambs, goats and pigs. An official date will be set for validation of each species with one alternate validation date for steers, lambs, and goats. Any animal not validated on one of those two dates for the specific species will not be eligible to show at MCJLS. For rabbits, late county validations will be allowed for one business day after official validation.
17. **UNETHICALLY FITTED LIVESTOCK:** The “Texas Ethics Policy” applies to this county show. The showing of unethically fitted livestock and poultry, the showing of livestock of any ineligible age for exhibition in the class entered, or the misrepresentation of breeding or milking status is prohibited. Unethical fitting will be deemed to consist of changing the normal conformation of any part of the animal’s body or using drugs or mechanical devices to alter the physical makeup of the animal. This includes but is not limited to the following:

- A. Animals that are in milk due to an unnaturally induced lactation.
 - B. Balancing the udder by any means other than leaving naturally produced milk in any or all quarters.
 - C. Treating or massaging any part of the animal's body, internally or externally, with an irritant, counterirritant, or other substance to temporarily improve conformation.
 - D. Minimizing the effects of cramping by feeding or injecting drugs & depressants or applying packs or using any artificial contrivance or therapeutic treatment except normal exercise.
 - E. Blocking the nerves to prevent limping or switching of the tail.

 - F. Striking the animal to cause swelling in a depressed area.
 - G. Surgery or other practices performed to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body, hide, hair, except the removal of warts or horns and the clipping and dressing of hair and trimming of hooves.
 - H. Insertion of foreign material under the skin.
 - I. Changing the color of hair at any point, spot or area on the animal's body. Any grooming material that allows color to come off from any animal will not be allowed at the show. No talc will be allowed on hogs.
 - J. All cattle and hogs may be towed at time of classification and at entering show ring.
 - K. The use of alcoholic or carbonated beverages in the feed or administration as a drench.
 - L. The use of diuretics.
 - M. Administration of a drug internally or externally except for treating a recognized disease, in which case treatment must be administered by a licensed veterinarian. The term drug shall mean any substance for which the sale, possession or use is controlled by license under federal, state, or local laws or regulation and any substance commonly used by the medical or veterinary professions which affects the circulatory, respiratory, or central nervous system of any species of livestock. If drugs are used by an official show veterinarian to treat a recognized disease in market animals, the withdrawal times listed by the manufacturer must be strictly followed.
18. *DEATH OF ANIMAL:* The animal or bird exhibited (broilers may be an exception) must be alive when it receives its award. If a first or second place animal dies between class placing and champion drive, it will retain its sale position, but the next placing animal will move up to compete for Champion.
19. *CHAMPION DRIVE:* If an animal that is eligible for the champion drive is withdrawn after its class but prior to the champion drive, that animal will retain its place in that class. However, the animal immediately below it may be moved into the champion drive for consideration as champion or reserve.
20. *HEATERS:* No types of heaters (propane, butane, electric, diesel, etc.) will be permitted in the show barn for safety purposes.
21. *RELEASE:* All animals are released from the show following their class.
22. *MARKET AND BREEDING CLASSES:* An individual animal may be exhibited in both the market and the breeding class of their species. Animals shown in breeding classes are not eligible for sale at the premium sale.
23. *SHOWMANSHIP:* Divisions within showmanship will consist of Junior (grades 3-5), Intermediate (grades 6-8), and Senior Showmanship (grades 9-12), unless otherwise stated. Other specific rules concerning showmanship may be included in the rules for the specific divisions.
24. *INTERFERENCE:* An exhibitor who, in any way, whether in person or by agent or servant, interferes with the judges during their adjudication, or shows any disrespect to them or the show, is subject to be penalized. Show Management may demand a proper apology from the exhibitor, may exclude him/her from competition, bar him/her from the grounds, and may also withhold any prizes that may have been awarded.
25. *CLIPPERS AND BLOWERS:* Cordless clippers and blowers will be allowed at the MCJLS.
26. *PRIZE MONIES:* Prize monies will be awarded for halter heifers, breeding lambs, breeding goats, and breeding gilts as follows: 1st place - \$25 2nd place - \$15 3rd place - \$10. These prize monies for each species will not exceed the total entry fees paid for that species.

AUCTION

1. *GENERAL:* Eligible market animals and poultry, except beef heifers and other breeding classes, will sell in the auction. Premium auction sale is limited to one animal unit to exhibitor, and unit must have been exhibited by exhibitor. The Medina County Junior Livestock Show will collect and disburse funds for the Medina County Junior Livestock Association auction sale. For this service they will be paid 4% of the gross sale. No Reserve Champion in the sale can bring more than the Grand Champion and no other animal can bring more than the Reserve Champion.
2. *BUYER MINIMUM:* Anyone registering as a Buyer must agree to contribute a minimum of \$250 to the premium auction. Individuals or entities wishing to contribute less than \$250 may do so through the "Add-on Table". All buyers must register as buyers.
3. *CONSORTIUM BIDS:* A buyer must bid a minimum of \$100 to be part of a consortium bid.
4. *ADD-ONS:* Any amount lower than the \$100 consortium bid minimum may be added to that exhibitor's premium through the add-on table. The add-on minimum is \$25.
5. *CASH PREMIUMS:* All cash premiums will be paid by check. Checks must be cashed within 30 days or void. Exhibitors will be eligible to receive their premium auction checks before the official release date if the exhibitor works at least three hours total during the three designated work days before and/or after the MCJLS.
6. *SALE ORDER:* Sale will be a round-robin sale. All Champions will sell first, followed by Reserve Champions, followed by first place, followed by second place, etc. Division sale order will be determined by the Board.
7. *FAMILY PURCHASES:* Should a family member (family member is defined as a parent, grand-parent, guardian, uncle, aunt, or sibling) or a representative of said family purchase a lot or lots, the check will not be issued for that child's lot until payment is received for the lot(s) in question.
8. *ABSENCE FROM SALE:* Eligible exhibitors who do not go through the sale will have \$500 deducted from their receipts. This fine will be refunded upon documentation of illness or death in the family. Students involved in UIL competitions at the Area or State level are allowed to miss the auction without penalty.
9. *SALE PERCENTAGES:* Percent of sale animals shall be as follows: Steers - 85%, Goats - 85%, Lambs - 85%, Pigs - 85%, Poultry - 50% and Rabbits - 50%. If a Turkey division is shown (10 exhibitors needed to make a show) the sale percentage shall be 85%. To determine the number eligible for the sale, the number of animals posted in the class shall be multiplied by the percentage allowed for that species. The resulting number will be rounded up to the next number, if the number following the decimal is greater than zero. No exhibitor may sell more than one project.

STEER DIVISION

1. *ENTRY*: Each exhibitor is entitled to enter up to two Market Steers.
2. *TACK*: Butt fans are not allowed on grounds. Dividers and side fans are permissible.
3. *VALIDATION*: The feeding period shall begin on the appointed date in June.
4. *WEIGHT*: Steers must weigh a minimum of 850 pounds with no maximum.
5. *SCALES*: Digital scales will be used.
6. *BREEDS*: Calves may be purebred or crossbred.
7. *GENDER*: All calves must be steers.
8. *SIFTING*: Sifting will be done on type, conformation, finish and soundness. Animals must grade high select or better to show.
9. *CLASSIFICATION*: Calves will be classified based on guidelines of the San Antonio Livestock Exposition by a third party hired by the show.
10. *DIVISIONS*: Calves will compete in 3 divisions British, American Cross, and Exotic. Brahman steers may form a separate class if there are at least 6 head after classification.
11. *CLASSES*: Classes will be determined by the superintendent.
12. *GROOMING*: No adhesives allowed at the show.
13. *SHOWMANSHIP*: There will be Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Showmanship awards. Steer and Heifer exhibitors will compete together for Beef Showmanship Awards.
14. *DRENCHING*: Drenching of animals is allowed, but pumping is not. See General Rules and Regulations, 17, K.
15. *CLIPPERS*: Cordless clippers are allowed.

SWINE DIVISION

1. *ENTRY*: Each exhibitor is entitled to enter up to two Market Swine.
2. *VALIDATION*: Shall be held on the appointed date in November.
3. *WEIGHT*: Hogs must weigh a minimum of 190 pounds with a maximum of 280 pounds.
4. *SCALES*: Digital scales will be used.
5. *BREEDS*: Hogs may be either purebred or crossbred.
6. *GENDER*: Barrows or gilts may be exhibited.
7. *SIFTING*: Pigs must be clean with clean ear tags for the sift and weigh in. Dirty pigs will be sent to wash rack and return to weigh in and sift after the crosses have been weighed.
8. *CLASSIFICATION*: Swine Judge will classify based on guidelines of the San Antonio Livestock Exposition. The exhibitor will declare the breed of animal. The classifiers will either accept the exhibitor's declaration or move the animal to the crossbred division. If the Judge does not classify the swine, the Judge will judge the pigs as they are presented to him in the ring. The decision of the classifiers is final and not subject to change by the Judge once the show has begun.
9. *DIVISIONS*: Divisions and Show Order are as follows:
1. Duroc 2. Hampshire 3. White OPB 4. Dark OPB 5. Yorkshire 6. Crossbred
10. *CLASSES*: Classes will be determined by the superintendent. Pigs will be divided into equal weight classes, not to exceed 25 head per class.
11. *GROOMING*: The use of talc or any product that changes the natural color pattern is prohibited.
12. *BREEDING SHOW*: A registered breeding gilt show will be included with the number of classes determined by the superintendent.

LAMB DIVISION

1. *ENTRY*: Each exhibitor is entitled to enter up to two Market Lambs.
2. *VALIDATION*: Lambs must be validated at the appointed date in October. All state validated lambs and breeding sheep may be part of this show.
3. *WEIGHT*: Lambs must weigh a minimum of 80 pounds with no maximum.
4. *SCALES*: Scales designated by show officials will be used.
5. *BREEDS*: Lambs may be either purebred or crossbred.
6. *GENDER*: Wethers or ewes may be exhibited; ewe lambs may be double entered in the market and breeding shows.
7. *SIFTING*: Sifting will be done on type, conformation, finish and soundness.
8. *CLASSIFICATION*: Lambs will be classified based on guidelines of the San Antonio Livestock Exposition by a third party hired by the show.
9. *DIVISIONS*: Divisions and Show Order are as follows:
 1. Southdown
 2. Finewool
 3. Finewool Cross
 4. Dorper
 5. Medium Wool
10. *CLASSES*: Classes will be determined by the superintendent. Lambs will be divided into equal weight classes, not to exceed 25 head per class.
11. *SHEARING*: NO shearing on the grounds. Lambs must be slick shorn from the hocks prior to arrival at the show.
12. *HALTERS*: No halters or ropes may be used on lambs while they are being shown.
13. *WEIGHING*: Lambs must be weighed without halters or blankets.
14. *TABLES*: Lamb tables are permitted.
15. *BREEDING SHOW*: A breeding lamb show will be included with the number of classes determined by the superintendent.
16. *BLOWERS*: Blowers will be allowed.

GOAT DIVISION

1. *ENTRY*: Each exhibitor is entitled to enter up to two Market Goats.
2. *VALIDATION*: Goats must be validated at the appointed date in October. All state validated goats may be part of this show.
3. *WEIGHT*: Goats must weigh a minimum of 50 pounds with a maximum of 125 pounds.
4. *SCALES*: Scales designated by show officials will be used.
5. *GENDER*: Wethers or does may be exhibited; doe goats may be doubled entered in the market and breeding shows.
6. *SIFTING*: Sifting will be done on type, conformation, finish and soundness. No external parasites will be allowed.
7. *HORNS*: Horns must be tipped blunt before arrival to the grounds. Removal of horns on the grounds is not permitted.
8. *DIVISION*: Classes will be broken into Light Weight, Medium Weight and Heavy Weight divisions, with a champion and reserve champion selected from each division.
9. *CLASSES*: Classes will be determined by the superintendent. Goats will be divided into equal weight classes, not to exceed 25 head per class.
10. *CLIPPING*: Goats must be slick shorn from hocks up upon arrival at the grounds.
11. *RESTRAINT*: Halters or collars may be used on goats in the show ring.
12. *WEIGHING*: Goats must be weighed without blankets.
13. *TABLES*: Goat Tables are permitted.
14. *BREEDING SHOW*: A breeding goat show will be included with the number of classes determined by the superintendent.
15. *BLOWERS*: Blowers will be allowed.

BROILER DIVISION

1. *ENTRY*: Each exhibitor is entitled to enter up to two pens of Broilers (3 birds per pen).
2. *VALIDATION*: Wing bands on broilers will serve as validation and must be attached to birds to be eligible to show.
3. *WEIGHT*: There are no weight limits.
4. *ORDERING*: Broilers will be commercial birds placed as one county order through the County Extension Office the first week of October. Exhibitors are responsible for ordering broilers.
5. *GENDER*: Pullets or roosters may be shown.
6. *SIFTING*: All birds must grade USDA grade A, have no breast blisters and no bruises past the wing tip. Birds will also be sifted for external parasites. Once a bird passes the sift, it will be allowed to show and be judged, even if it dies.
7. *EXTRA BIRDS*: Exhibitors may bring extra birds to the show, but only 3 may be presented to the judge at one time.
8. *EXHIBITION*: Each broiler exhibitor must provide two helpers at show. Only 4-H or FFA members are allowed to hold birds during the show.

TURKEY DIVISION

1. *ENTRY* Each exhibitor is entitled to enter up to two Turkeys.
****Show will only be held if 10 exhibitors enter.****
2. *VALIDATION*: Wing bands on turkey will serve as validation and must be attached to birds to be eligible to show.
3. *WEIGHT*: There are no weight limits.
4. *ORDERING*: Turkeys will be commercial birds placed as one county order through the County Extension Office. Exhibitors are responsible for ordering turkeys.
5. *GENDER*: Toms or hens may be shown.
6. *SIFTING*: All birds must grade USDA grade A, have no breast blisters and no bruises past the wing tip. Birds will also be sifted for external parasites. Once a bird passes the sift, it will be allowed to show and be judged, even if it dies.
7. *EXTRA BIRDS*: Exhibitors may bring an extra bird to the show, but only 1 may be presented to the judge at one time.
8. *EXHIBITION*: Only 4-H or FFA members are allowed to hold birds during the show.

RABBIT DIVISION

1. *ENTRY*: Each exhibitor is entitled to enter up to two meat pens that shall consist of 3 rabbits in each pen.
2. *FEEDING PERIOD*: Exhibitors shall have raised their entry or have purchased it by 30 days prior to opening of the show.
3. *AGE*: Rabbits shall not be more than 10 weeks of age on the opening day of the show.
4. *GENDER*: Rabbits can be either sex.
5. *VALIDATION*: All rabbits will be tattooed and validated on the appointed date.
6. *WEIGHT*: Each Rabbit must weigh a minimum of 3 ½ pounds with a maximum of 5 ½ pounds. There is a 2 ounce tolerance either way.
7. *SIFTING*: Rabbits must be clean, free of any sign of disease, ear canker, malocclusion (buck teeth), or sore hocks.
8. *EXTRA RABBITS*: Exhibitors may present only 3 rabbits to the sifter.
9. *BREEDS*: Rabbits must be meat type and will be shown as Californians and New Zealands or other meat type breeds.
10. *CLASSES*: A class must have 5 pens or it will be entered with another breed at the Superintendent's discretion.
11. *CHAMPIONS*: One overall Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be selected.
12. *JUDGING*: The ARBA Standard Guide for judging meat classes will be used.
13. *DISMISSAL*: Exhibitors must remove projects from the show grounds after the conclusion of the show.

HALTER HEIFER DIVISION

1. *ENTRY:* Each exhibitor is entitled to enter only two Beef Halter Heifers.
2. *OWNERSHIP:* Exhibitors must own and have heifer registered in the exhibitor's name by November 1st of the year prior to the show.
3. *AGE:* Heifers eligible for the 2018 State Fair of Texas and/or the 2019 San Antonio Livestock Exposition are eligible to be shown at the MCJLS.
4. *ELIGIBILITY:* Any beef breed of registered heifer in America is eligible to show by division of American, British, or Exotic.
5. *SUBSTITUTE:* If an exhibitor has 2 heifers in one class, the second heifer may be shown by another 4-H or FFA member.
6. *CHAMPIONS:* Champions will be selected in the American, British & Exotic Divisions. From the Division Champions a Supreme Heifer Champion will be selected.
7. *CLIPPING:* Cordless clippers will be allowed.
8. *GROOMING:* No adhesives allowed at the show.
9. *REGISTRATION PAPERS:* Verification of registration papers will be done at check-in.
10. *PREMIUM SALE:* Heifers will not be sold through the Premium Sale.
11. *SHOWMANSHIP:* There will be Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Showmanship awards. Steer and heifer exhibitors will compete together for Beef Showmanship Awards.

COMMERCIAL HEIFER DIVISION

The Junior Commercial Heifer Show and sale is an opportunity for junior exhibitors to show and sell commercial heifers. Crossbred heifers are desired but purebred heifers will be permitted to show provided they have not been shown anywhere previous to the Commercial Heifer Show in Medina County. Any heifer exhibiting in the Commercial Heifer Show will not be allowed to compete in the Junior Breeding Show of the Medina County Fair or the Medina County Junior Livestock Show.

1. Pen of open Heifers must be weighed and tagged on designated date in September. Exhibitor must own heifers 100% throughout feeding period starting at tag-in through time of the show. Exhibitor must feed and care for heifers in Medina County. Violations will cause the exhibitor to forfeit all rights to show in the Commercial Heifer Show. Any exhibitor leaving the County with their heifers during the feeding period must notify a Commercial Heifer Committee Member and receive permission. Heifers must be calf hood vaccinated for brucellosis by final weigh in. A validation/nomination fee of \$20 per pen will be required to be submitted prior to validation. Additionally, an entry fee of \$20.00 per pen is due on or before the Entry Deadline.
2. Two heifers with one alternate constitutes a pen. Only two heifers will be eligible to be shown. Each exhibitor may have one alternate, not to exceed 3 heifers per exhibit, including the alternate. The exhibitor must own all heifers, and only one pen is allowed per exhibitor.
3. An average weight of no less than 575 and no more than 775 pounds per head will be allowed at validation. Heifers will be weighed by the pen, and must have in place 2 middle temp incisors.
4. Animals may be grazed or fed, and will be judged as replacement heifers. No nurse cows will be allowed. Each heifer must gain an average of one (1.0) pound or more per day from tag-in to show date or will be sifted. There will be no rounding of fractions of pounds of weight gain.
5. Exhibitors must bring proof of official calf hood vaccination (brucellosis) with them at the time of check-in at the Medina County Junior Livestock Show. Heifers will be penned immediately upon arrival. Heifers will be palpated and weighed prior to the show.
6. Exhibitors will be required to participate in an interview beginning on the day of the show. Interview scores will affect the final placing. The heifers will be judged for uniformity and quality. Record book judging will follow immediately after the heifer judging. Interview will be based on the exhibitor's knowledge of all areas of his or her exhibit. Record book is attached in exhibit "A".
7. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to clean his/her pen and alley daily. Each exhibitor is responsible for getting his or her pens ready before check in day. The chairmen will assign pens prior to check in.

8. Exhibitors should read, understand, and comply with the official Rules and Regulations of the Medina County Junior Livestock Show. The rules covered under the Rules and Regulations of the Medina County Junior Livestock Show will prevail. Each exhibitor is responsible for knowing the schedule of events. If an exhibitor does not plan to show, he or she must notify the Medina County Junior Livestock Show Office.
9. Two individuals that are operators in the cow/calf industry will perform judging. Judges will be sought that have no preference to any exhibitor. Each judge will score each of the three categories as follows:
 - *Heifers pens will count for 60% of the score and will be scored between 1 and 60 points, with 60 points being the best
 - *Record Books will count as 10% and will be scored between 1 and 10 points;
 - *Interview will count as 30% and will be scored between 1 and 30 points in Jr division (8th grade and below) and Senior division (9th grade and above).Judges should make every effort not to score an exhibitor with the same score to avoid a tie. Judges scores will be added and the overall highest score will place first and so forth down to last place. In the event of a tie, the best interview will serve as a tie-breaker.
10. All pens of Heifers are required to sell. If an animal(s) is lost, the exhibitor is not eligible to compete for Grand or Reserve in the show but will be allowed to interview and sell their animal(s). Exhibitors participating in the Junior Commercial Heifer Show and Sale who sell livestock through this department are still eligible to sell one additional lot through the normal premium auction of the Medina County Junior Livestock Show. In order to comply with the National Law on the beef check-off, \$1.00 will be deducted from the sale price of each heifer. A sales commission will also be deducted from the sales price of each heifer to offset any marketing costs incurred by the sale contractor. Commercial heifer exhibitors are eligible to receive add-ons through the Premium Auction.
11. Pens will be sold times the money and may not be split by the buyer; exhibitor has the option of selling or keeping the third animal at the same price as the first two.
12. Pens will be awarded Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, followed by third place through the final number of exhibits. Awards will be given for Best interview Jr division (8th grade and below) and Sr division (9th grade and above), Record Books and Best Pen of Heifers. Premium/prize monies may also be awarded.
13. Class will be open to all open heifers commercial or registered. Exhibitors are responsible for transfers on registered Heifers. Registered Heifer papers must be provided at final weigh in.
14. Final weigh in will be taken prior to the show. Heifers will be palpated at that time at exhibitor's expense (deducted from the sale price of each heifer). All Heifers are to be guaranteed open by a licensed veterinarian. Any bred heifer will be disqualified. Sifting for the show will be enforced at that time. Exhibitors are eligible for one re-weigh immediately following their first weigh in. All heifers must be reproductively sound or will be disqualified.
15. Only open heifers will be sold. Pens less than three will be placed last on the sale order. If there are less than two heifers in a pen, the score will be a zero for heifers.

AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS DIVISION

1. *ENTRY:* Each exhibitor/team is entitled to enter up to two Ag Mechanics Projects. General Show Rule #8 referring to maximum of two projects does apply/ and include the Ag Mechanics Division.
2. *ELIGIBILITY:* All projects must be constructed by exhibitor and supervised by the ag-science teacher or the 4H leader.
3. *JUDGING:* The following factors will be considered in judging these exhibits:

a. Workmanship (including finish)	30 pts.
b. Practicality (materials used)	20 pts.
c. Documentation (progress photos, materials list, design plans)	20 pts.
d. Presentation (interview during judging)	20 pts.
e. Degree of Difficulty	10 pts.

Total 100 pts.

Blue 90-100pts.
Red 80-89 pts.
White 70-79 pts.
4. *TIME-LINE:* Ag Mechanics Projects may be exhibited only one time at the Medina County Junior Livestock Show and must have been completed within one calendar year of the date of the previous show.
5. *DESTRUCTION:* The Medina County Junior Livestock Show will not be responsible for fire, theft, vandalism or any destruction of exhibits.
6. *DIVISIONS & CLASSES:* Divisions and Classes will be as follows:
 - I. Div. I Trailers-
 - Class 1: 14' or shorter (utility & livestock)
 - Class 2: Longer than 14' (Gooseneck, Livestock, Utility)
 - II. Div. II Livestock Equipment-
 - Class 3: Chutes, gates, panels, restraint equipment, etc...
 - Class 4: Feeders (livestock & game)
 - Class 5: Wildlife (blinds, traps, gambrels, etc...)
 - III. Div. III Home & Recreational Convenience-
 - Class 6: Small Wood (3' long X 2' wide or smaller)
 - Class 7: Small Metal (under 30 lbs.)
 - Class 8: Large Wood (Picnic tables, yard furniture, cabinets, storage sheds, etc...)
 - Class 9: Large Metal (BBQ pits, yard furniture, cabinets, sheds, etc...)
 - IV. Div. IV Ag Machinery & Equipment-
 - Class 10: Hay handling or Spray equipment
 - Class 11: Shop equipment
 - Class 12: Truck and Ag equipment accessories
 - Class 13: Farm Implements
7. *AWARDS:* Blue, Red and White Ribbons will be awarded as well as Champion and Reserve Champion buckles.
8. *SHOWMANSHIP:* There will be Junior and Senior Showmanship awards for Agriculture Mechanics and Tractor Restoration Divisions combined.
9. *AUCTION:* Champion & Reserve Champion Ag Mechanics Projects in each Division will sell in premium sale. An overall Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion selected from Divisions I, II, III, IV will be awarded. If an Ag Mechanics exhibitor qualifies for the sale, and also qualifies a market animal, he/she must decide which ONE to sell. Remaining projects will not be sold in the auction, but can be sold private treaty by the owner of the project.

RESTORED TRACTOR DIVISION

1. *ENTRY:* Each exhibitor/team is entitled to enter up to two Restored Tractor Projects. General Show Rule #8 referring to maximum of two projects does apply/and includes the Restored Tractor Division.
2. *ELIGIBILITY:* All Projects must be constructed by exhibitor and supervised by the agri-science teacher or the 4-H leader.
3. *JUDGING:* The following factors will be considered in judging these exhibits:

a. Workmanship (including finish)	30 pts.
b. Practicality (materials used)	20 pts.
c. Documentation (progress photos, materials list, design plans)	20 pts.
d. Presentation (interview during judging)	20 pts.
e. Degree of Difficulty	10 pts.

Total 100 pts

Blue 90-100pts.
Red 80-89 pts.
White 70-79 pts.
4. *TIME-LINE:* Restored Tractor Projects may be exhibited only one time at the Medina County Junior Livestock Show and must have been completed within one calendar year of the date of the previous show.
5. *DESTRUCTION:* The Medina County Junior Livestock Show will not be responsible for fire, theft, vandalism or any destruction of exhibits.
6. *DIVISIONS & CLASSES:* Divisions and Classes will be as follows:
 - I. Div. I Tractors-
Class 1: Restored Tractors
7. *AWARDS:* Blue, Red and White Ribbons will be awarded as well as Champion and Reserve Champion buckles.
8. *SHOWMANSHIP:* There will be Junior and Senior Showmanship awards for Agriculture Mechanics and Tractor Restoration Divisions combined.
9. *AUCTION:* Champion & Reserve Champion Restored Tractor Projects in each Division will sell in premium sale. An overall Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Tractor will be awarded. If a Restored Tractor exhibitor qualifies for the sale, and also qualifies a market animal, he/she must decide which ONE to sell. Remaining projects will not be sold in the auction, but can be sold private treaty by the owner of the project.



2018-2019 TEXAS 4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK PROGRAM ETHICS POLICY
(Updated April, 2018)



This ethics policy applies to any 4-H/FFA member planning to exhibit animals at livestock shows in Texas. All classes of livestock offered at the livestock event are included: Cattle (Beef and Dairy), Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, Swine, and any other livestock classes offered. This "Texas 4-H/FFA Livestock Program Ethics Policy" will be enhanced with additional rules and guidelines which individual fairs and livestock shows adhere to on the local, county, state, regional, and national levels.

4-H and FFA livestock project exhibitors are under the supervision of an Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent who serves as the advisor for that project. The Major Livestock Shows of Texas support the educational content and leadership provided by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, and the Texas Education Agency/VATAT. Also, the Texas Major Livestock Shows fully support the administrative authority of Agricultural Science Teachers and County Extension Agents to certify the fulfillment of all validation protocols and appropriate paperwork between the exhibitor, Texas 4-H / Texas FFA, the major livestock shows and the supervising educator. Exhibiting livestock is a privilege, and exhibitors must comply with this document and respect the authority granted to his/her supervisor.

The following practices or procedures are unacceptable and are defined as being deceptive, fraudulent, unethical, and inhumane in the care, fitting, preparation and showing of all classes of livestock. The use of any illegal drug is prohibited. Any practice used to alter the appearance of an animal entered in livestock events is prohibited (See Rule #7 & #8). Proof of any animal being subjected to illegal and/or unethical practice(s) and/or procedure(s) described herein subjects the animal to immediate disqualification from the state validation program. If a violation is found of any of the following rules, this may result in a cancelled validation record.

The following is a listing of rules all 4-H/FFA exhibitors must follow to enter livestock at organized competitive events.

1. Exhibitors must be bona fide members of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter in the state of Texas and care for their animals under the direct supervision of a County Extension Agent or Agricultural Science Teacher. Exhibitors must be enrolled in, and attending, public or private and/or home school elementary or secondary schools in Texas. Exhibitors must be in grades 3–12 for the exhibition year.
2. All exhibitors must have viable proof of ownership available to prove the length of time animals have been owned. Market animals (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goats) must be owned and under exhibitor's daily care by the following deadline dates: June 30 – All major Steers and State Fair Lambs, Goats, Swine; October 31 – Lambs and Goats; November 30 – Swine; to be eligible to participate at any major livestock show within Texas. Proof of ownership also includes all small market animals (Rabbits and Poultry). For breeding animals, the official ownership date is the date reflected on the registration papers. This date is the specific date for each breed of record as recognized by the validation program. (Individual show rules may determine ownership requirements for non-market animals.) Registered breeding livestock must show the exhibitor as the sole owner of the animal on the breed association papers or certificates. Breeding animals with additional registration papers within the breed association of validation record or in another breed association may be evaluated for multiple ownership. If additional registration papers are found active within an association indicating ownership information conflicting with the exhibitor's sole ownership designation, the breeding animal may be considered multiple-owned and subject to disqualification. Breeding animal validation deadlines dates: June 30 – Spring Heifer Validation; October 31 – Breeding Sheep and Goats and November 1 – Fall Heifer Validation.
3. To gain the life skills developed through the livestock project; exhibitors must be closely engaged in the feeding, maintenance, training, grooming and overall welfare of his/her animals. Exhibitors and immediate family/guardians are responsible for providing the primary and continuous daily care of livestock projects throughout the validation period. The validation period begins immediately following the county level state validation date (not the validation deadline date listed previously) through exhibition at all livestock shows (*exhibitors must provide continuous care for breeding heifers, sheep and goats throughout the animal's eligibility to show*). **4-H and FFA livestock project exhibitors are under the supervision of an Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent who serves as the advisor for that project.** Excessive involvement of third party consultants, breeders, fitters not affiliated with the Texas 4-H and Texas FFA programs is prohibited. Third party involvement interfering with the exhibitor's ability to provide primary daily care of and engagement with livestock projects may result in the disqualification of all state validated livestock projects. Likewise, third party involvement interfering with the County Extension Agent and Agricultural Science Teacher's ability to properly supervise the livestock project may result in the disqualification of all state validated livestock projects. Livestock projects must be raised at the physical address of validation record. Prior approval must be granted by the "Species Specific County Level State Validation Committee" in the event the animal will be outside the direct care of the exhibitor and/or immediate family/guardian. Failure to notify the supervising Agricultural Science Teacher (AST)/County Extension Agent (CEA) and/or Species Specific County Level State Validation Committee of the previous may result in the disqualification of all state validated livestock. By signing this document, the exhibitor and parent/guardian, recognize his/her responsibilities for the primary and continuous care of livestock projects throughout the feeding period and hereby authorizes the State Validation Coordinator or designated representatives and/or State Validation Compliance Team, supervising AST/CEA and the "Species Specific County Level State Validation Committee" **the right to inspect your livestock project(s), along with any other state validated livestock projects on premises, at any time during the feeding period with or without prior notice.** Any exhibitor in violation of the primary and continuous daily care rule is subject to disqualification.
4. Animals validated for major livestock shows may also be exhibited at other shows. Be advised, however, that if any validated animal is exhibited and SOLD at any other show (including a county show), the animal will be ineligible to show at any subsequent major livestock show. **Additionally, state validated livestock offered for sale during the feeding period via private treaty, private or public auction will be ineligible to show at any subsequent major livestock show. If ownership changes or has the possibility of changing through a sale offering (including animal(s) purchased back by the exhibitor of validation record), regardless of method or length of time, that chain of animal ownership is considered broken and will be ineligible to show at any remaining livestock shows in the feeding period requiring state validation.**

State validation deadline dates are as follows:

State Fair and Heart of Texas:

June 30 for steers, heifers, lambs, goats and swine

All Other Major Shows:

June 30 for steers

October 31 for lambs and goats

October 31 breeding sheep and goats

November 1 breeding heifers

November 30 for swine

5. Any method used to misrepresent the age of an animal for a class in which it is shown is deceptive and considered a violation of the rules and guidelines.
6. Showing an animal for another individual by claiming ownership in order to show in a specific livestock class or event is prohibited. False ownership is a violation of the rules and guidelines.
7. Treating an animal internally or externally, with any irritant, counter-irritant, or other substance used to artificially change the conformation or appearance of an animal for show is considered unethical, inhumane, and is prohibited. Surgery, injection or insertion of foreign material under the skin and/or into the flesh of an animal to change the natural contour, conformation or appearance of an animal's body is illegal. This includes **injection of gas, air, oil, or other foreign substances**; cutting/tearing of the hide/underneath the hide or removal of tissue in any attempt to alter the physical appearance of the animal; numbing or "deadening" an animal's tail; cutting tendons of an animal; using foreign substances to build or cosmetically re-shape feet (this does not include medically necessary treatments for injured hooves or feet); as well as "twining" which includes the attachment of hair or hair substances (i.e. baling twine, cloth, fiber, etc.). Acceptable practices of physical preparation which are allowed include, clipping of hair, trimming of hooves, dehorning, removal of ancillary teats, and docking of tails.
8. The use of unethical fitting, showing and/or handling practices or devices compromising animal welfare shall not be tolerated.
9. Livestock exhibitors will be held accountable for the Species-Specific Validation Guidelines for each species in which they state validate livestock projects. Livestock exhibitors will also be held accountable for the rules and guidelines for each major livestock show in which they exhibit state validated livestock.
10. The Administration of the Texas 4-H and/or FFA Programs reserve the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and to settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with or incident to "Texas 4-H/FFA Livestock Program Ethics Policy".

Any violation of the "Texas 4-H/FFA Livestock Program Ethics Policy" and/or associated validation guidelines, as well as specific rules as designated by individual fairs and livestock shows may result in disqualification and/or probationary status and/or loss of eligibility for future participation in organized livestock competition. **Possible civil penalties may be imposed by the proper authorities based on evidence provided by the livestock show of exhibitors in violation of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act/or the animal mistreatment, neglect, and abandonment laws that apply on the local, state, and/or national levels.** All rule violations will be dealt with on an individual basis by the "Specie Specific County State Validation Committee", the State Validation Coordinators, and/or appropriate livestock show officials.

I, the parent/guardian and exhibitor, am verifying that I have read the "Texas 4-H/FFA Livestock Program Ethics Policy" and understand the consequences of and penalties involved for illegal, unethical, inhumane, and unfair practices in livestock competition. I am also verifying knowledge that my family and I may be prohibited from future participation in organized validation programs in the State of Texas, and could face possible criminal prosecution and/or civil penalties if implicated in a n y of the aforementioned acts.

****ATTENTION:** If livestock project(s) will be raised at a location/facility **different** from address provided on carbon validation form, please complete the following information. The address where the animals will be located should be indicated below and **approved by the local validation committee.**

Physical Address	City	Zip
Important Only one exhibitor per form.		
Exhibitor (Printed Name)	Exhibitor (Signature)	Date
Parent/Guardian (Printed Name)	Parent/Guardian (Signature)	Date
Supervising CEA/AST (Printed Name)	Supervising CEA/AST (Signature)	Date
Validation Chairman (Printed Name)	Validation Chairman (Signature)	
County Name		