

Comfort FFA Livestock Show Rules

1. The Comfort FFA will in no case be responsible for any loss, injury, or damage to animals or persons that may occur during the show.
2. Showing of unethically fitted livestock for exhibition is prohibited. Unethical fitting will be deemed to consist of any method altering the natural conformation of any part of the animal's body. Animals showing any signs of having been operated upon or tampered with for the purpose of concealing faults in conformation or with intent to deceive relative to the animals' soundness will be disqualified.
3. The Show Committee will determine the number of weight classes.
4. An exhibitor is eligible to win any of the following Showmanship divisions.
 - A.) Market Steers and Breeding Cattle
 - B.) Market Lambs and Breeding Sheep
 - C.) Market and Breeding Swine
 - D.) Market Goats and Wether Does
5. All livestock must be weighed and/or in place as per show schedule
6. Each Exhibitor must have a Thank You letter for belt buckles and awards.
7. All market animals may be weighed back during the show as specified in each species' rules. If so, they will only be weighed 1 time.
8. Eligibility
 - (A) Notice of eligibility to participate will be determined and enforced by school officials. In order to participate in the Comfort FFA Livestock Show you must meet the following qualifications:
 1. Reside in Comfort School District
 2. Attend a school within the Comfort School District boundaries; to include pre-K through 12th grade or home-schooled.
 3. Be passing ALL classes
 - (B) An exhibitor found to have violated the eligibility rules after participating in the show will forfeit all awards received.
9. Entry and Weight Deadline will be from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Friday, December , 2022.
10. The Comfort ISD Show will begin at 9:00 AM on Saturday, December 10, 2022.

Stalls and Pens

Stall and pen space will be assigned when the animals arrive. Pens are first come – first served. Each exhibitor shall keep the premises of his stalls and/or pens clean at all times. No bedding hay allowed in the barn.

Awards

1. Awards will be presented within each class, species breed champion/reserve, species grand champion/reserve and showmanship divisions.
2. High point individuals will be awarded a buckle.

Classes

All market animals will be divided into weight classes in the breed groups equally as possible. Refer to division rules for specific information on breakdown of number of animals allowed per class dependent upon total entries. Final decision on weight classes to be made by the agricultural science teacher(s) and Superintendent. Entries must be made in the name of the animal owner. All animals must have been under the continuous daily care of the exhibitor. There will be no showing of borrowed animals, including in the showmanship classes (this rule does not apply to pee-wee showmanship where the pee-wees can show a sibling animal).

Show Ring

1. Only the judge, agricultural science teacher(s), show superintendent and his/her appointed assistants and eligible exhibitors are allowed in the show ring during the exhibition of animals.

Showmanship

1. Exhibitors must have an entry in the division to be eligible to participate in showmanship and must show their own animal (except pee-wees who can show a siblings animal)
2. Showmanship will be divided in three divisions in the cattle, sheep, goat, and swine shows.
3. Pee Wee Showmen (under 8 years old), Junior Showmen (8 to 13 years old) and Senior Showmen (14 years and older)

Trailer Parking

The board shall establish a designated area for parking trailers. Due to limited pen space available in the Agriculture Complex, exhibitors will be allowed to show out of their trailers. No trailers or vehicles will be parked inside the show barn. If showing out of your trailer, the trailer shall be parked outside of the barn so as NOT to interfere with vehicle traffic surrounding the facility.

Entry Limits

There will be no limit to how many animals may be entered by an exhibitor.

Market Lambs

1. There is not a minimum and maximum weight; there can be a 5 pound weigh-back.
2. No stags or bucks may be shown in market classes.
3. Wether and ewe lambs may be shown in market classes.
4. Ewe lambs may not be shown in both market and breeding shows.
5. Market Lamb classes will be as follows:
 - Finewool: Rambouillet or Delaine or cross thereof
 - Finewool/Medium Wool Cross: A typical first cross of a Finewool and a Hampshire
 - Southdown: Southdown Purebreds
 - Medium Wool: Purebred Hampshire, Suffolk, Dorset or cross thereof
6. Each of the classes will have a lightweight, medium weight, heavy weight class. However, if class numbers are low there will only be a lightweight and heavyweight.
7. Due to the time of year, grooming practices are optional. They can be slick shorn, rough shorn or in the wool or hair at the exhibitor's discretion.
8. The top two placings in the market classes will be asked to come back for the breed champion and reserve.
9. The champion and reserve for each breed will be asked to come back for the overall grand and reserve champion.

Breeding Sheep (shown by age)

1. Finewool
2. Medium Wool
3. Hair Sheep

Meat Goats

1. Only wether goats can show.
2. No stags or bucks may be shown in market classes.
3. Any purebred or cross thereof is eligible to show.
4. Due to the time of year, grooming practices are optional. They can be slick shorn, rough shorn or in the hair at the exhibitor's discretion.

5. There can be a 4 pound weigh-back.

Wether Does (shown by age/teeth)

1. Wether doe classes will consist of:
 - (A) Kids
 - (B) Yearlings+

Market Steers

1. No adhesive may be used as a fitting agent.
2. Steers do not need to be slicked sheared.
3. Market Steers will consist of:
 - A. American
 - B. British
 - C. Exotic
4. However, if numbers are low there will only be one class. That will be decided by the show committee.
5. There can be a 5% weigh-back.

Beef Heifer (shown by age)

1. Breeding Beef Cattle will be separated into three divisions.
 - A. American
 - B. British
 - C. Exotic
 - D. However, if numbers are low there will only be one class. That will be decided by the show committee.

Market Swine

1. Market Swine entered may be purebred or cross
2. Gilts and Barrows may be shown in the market swine class.
3. Weight classes will be set up according to entries or as warrants by show officials.
4. There can be a 10 pound weigh-back.

5. Breed classes will be as follows:
 - A. Duroc
 - B. Hampshire
 - C. Dark O.P.B.
 - D. Light O.P.B.
 - E. Yorkshire
 - F. Crossbred
6. Classes will be broken up into lightweight, medium weight and heavy weight.
7. First and Second Place of each class will be asked to come back for the breed champion and reserve.
8. Champion and Reserve of each breed will be asked to come back for the overall and reserve grand champion market hog.
9. Market hogs must be clipped before entering the show ring.

Breeding Gilts (shown by age)

1. Gilts shown in the breeding gilt show may not be shown in the market hog show.
2. Classes for breeding gilts will be:
 - A. Duroc
 - B. Hampshire
 - C. Dark O.P.B.
 - D. Light O.P.B.
 - E. Yorkshire
 - F. Crossbred (**crossbred gilts will show by weight**)
3. Classes will be broken up by breed

2022 Comfort FFA Show Schedule

Market Goats

Market Goat Classes

Grand and Reserve Grand Market Goat

Wether Does

Wether Doe Classes

Grand and Reserve Grand Wether Doe

Goat Showmanship

Market Lambs

Market Lambs Classes

(After each breed, selection of breed champion and reserve)

Southdowns

Fine Wools

Fine Wool Cross

Medium Wools

Grand and Reserve Grand Market Lamb

Breeding Sheep

(After each breed, selection of breed champion and reserve)

Fine Wools

Medium Wools

Hair Sheep

Grand and Reserve Grand Breeding Sheep

Sheep Showmanship

Market Steers

Market Steer Classes

(After each breed, selection of breed champion and reserve)

American

British

Exotic

Grand and Reserve Grand Market Steer

Beef Heifers

Grand and Reserve Grand Beef Heifer

Cattle Showmanship

Breeding Gilts

Duroc

Hampshire

Dark OPB

Light OPB

York

Cross

Grand and Reserve Grand Breeding Gilt

Market Hogs

Duroc

Hampshire

Dark OPB

Light OPB

York

Cross

Grand and Reserve Market Hog

Swine Showmanship

Lunch break will be at a designated time