

2010 GALVESTON COUNTY FAIR & RODEO, INC.
MARKET GOAT RULES
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TAG-IN:	Saturday, December 12, 2009, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
ENTRIES DUE:	Wednesday, January 27, 2010, by 6:00 p.m. at the Fair Office by 4-H Leaders/Ag Teachers ONLY.
CHECK-IN:	Sunday, April 11, 2010, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
SIFTING:	Minimum of 65 pounds - Maximum of 120 pounds weight at check-in
JUDGING:	Monday, April 12, 2010, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE MARKET LAMB SHOW
ENTRY FEE:	\$15.00
EARLY RELEASE:	Tuesday, April 13, 2010, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
CHECK-OUT:	<u>Sunday, April 18, 2010, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.</u>

1. All entries for this division will be subject to the General Livestock Rules of the Galveston County Fair & Rodeo, Inc. except where they conflict with the requirements of this division in which case the division rules will prevail. In the event of special circumstances that may arise, or a conflict between rules, decisions of the Show Chairperson and the Livestock Superintendent will be final.
2. All Market Goats to be entered and eligible to show must be the property of the exhibitor, on feed and under the daily care of the exhibitor by December 12, 2009.
3. **Goats must weigh not less than 65 pounds and not more than 120 pounds at check-in on Sunday, April 11, 2010. No weight break will be allowed.**
4. Two Market Goats may be entered and shown per exhibitor. An exhibitor having two goats whose weight would place both goats into the same class must place the goat with the heavier weight into the next higher class. **If both goats shown by one exhibitor are of the same weight, the exhibitor shall decide which goat is to be placed in the next heaviest class, before the goat will be penned.** If both goats are placed into the heaviest class, an eligible stand-in exhibitor may show the goat.
5. **Once a goat has checked in, there will be no withdrawing of the goat, because of weight classification.**
6. This show is open to any breed or crossbred Female (unbred) or wether goat. Any female showing signs of pregnancy at show will be disqualified (Pregnancy may be determined by the show judge or the Market Goat committee.) Goats must show no signs of udder to testicular development.
7. All Goats must be slick shorn with 3/8 inch of hair or less above the knee or hock joints at check-in. No paint or colored powders are allowed.
8. **No clipping or touch ups after arrival are allowed on GCF&R grounds, with any (Electric or Manual - scissors, razors, knives etc.) appliances.**
9. **Goats must be de-horned or horns tipped, or blunt. End of horns must be flat and have no point.**
10. Exhibitors will be allowed to use halters or collars in the show ring.
11. Bedding (shavings) will be allowed in the goat pens at the exhibitors' expense. Exhibitors' shavings may not be stored on the fairgrounds.
12. Goats will be placed into classes of equal or near equal numbers according to weight. The number of classes will be determined according to the number of entries at check-in.
13. **Immediately following the Goat Judging, the top five (5) goats in each class will be re-weighed. Animals having more than a maximum weight gain of five percent (5%) over the official weight at check-in will be sifted and disqualified.**
14. **The top eight (8) goats in each class, including, the Grand and the Reserve Champions will not be released until Sunday, April 18, 2010.** All others may be released on Tuesday, April 13, 2010, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
15. Exhibitors' will be responsible for feeding and watering their goat and keeping the stall and goat area clean at all times, until checked out. **There will be no FEEDING OR WATERING in the goat pens, except after early release on Tuesday, with permission from all other exhibitors in the same pen. There is to be no feed left in the pen while unattended. No Hay will be allowed in pens at any time. However hay will be allowed in the feeding area.**
16. **No washing of animals is allowed in front of pens. You must take your animal(s) to the wash rack located north of the Livestock Pavilion.**

17. No use of hand held electronic devices such as hot shots, etc. is allowed on your animal(s) before or during the show.

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