

# North Florida Livestock Show & Sale February 20 - February 23, 2017

*Madison County Agricultural Center Madison, Florida*

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR CATTLE AND SWINE SHOWS**

1. All participants between the ages of 8 and 18 must be a member of and show under 4-H or FFA. Youth must designate whether participation is 4-H or FFA by time of ownership. Youth must wear colors and/or emblems to designate 4-H or FFA participation while showing. (4-H'ers must be 8 years old by September 1, 2016 in order to show.)
2. 4-H and FFA participation is limited to one year after completion of high school.
3. The North Florida Livestock Show and Sale, Inc. assumes no liability whatsoever.
4. Individual exhibitors are limited to one entry in each cattle category. Organizations are limited to one entry in each cattle category and organizational exhibitors are limited to two entries in the swine show. Entry fees are \$15 per livestock entry, all entry fees are due with registration forms at weigh-in/tagging. Make checks payable to NFLSS, Inc. ALL 4-H participants MUST turn their entry forms in to the Madison 4-H Office.
5. All participants in 4-H or FFA are required to complete and turn in a record book for each entry before the annual show and sale.
6. All Livestock entries must be turned in at the Mandatory Weigh-In/Tagging on November 5, 2016.
7. Exhibitors must provide water containers and feed troughs for cattle and swine entries. All exhibitors must provide feed for their animals.
8. Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from the entries in each show. A Home-Grown Steer Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from those entries that meet the eligibility requirements (i.e. animal is born and raised on a participant's family farm in the six county show area.)
9. All entries will be subject to a screening committee. Cattle will not be allowed to show if not halter broken. If an animal is removed from the fairgrounds after weigh-in, the animal will not be allowed to enter the barn/arena area, and will be disqualified from the show. All finished steers must weigh at least 900 pounds; be less than 24 months of age and should grade select or better. All feeder calves must weigh between 550 and 800 lbs. and grade at least medium one. All heifers must be between 8 and 24 months of age. Heifers must not have calved. Heifers are subject to State Health Certificate rules.
10. **Swine** entries will be received beginning **Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM until 11:00 AM**. (The Swine show will begin at 6:00 PM on February 20, 2017.) **Cattle** entries will be received from **1:00 - 3:00 PM** on Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. (The cattle show will begin at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, February 22, 2017) All entries must remain in the barn until sold or removed by owner. In no case may cattle be removed earlier than 9:30 PM on Wednesday, February 22, 2017. All entries are subject to an ultra sound. Non sale cattle MUST be removed by 12:00 (NOON) on Thursday, February 23, 2017.
11. Individual exhibitors can sell only one cattle entry and/or one swine entry through the sale ring. Organizations may sell 2 cattle entries.
12. Before payment of an animal is sent to the 4-H/FFA participant, a copy of the thank you letter sent to the buyer must be given to the Vo-Ag teacher or Extension Agent. Participants are encouraged to contact their own buyers when applicable.
13. Vo-Ag teachers and Extension Agents supervising youth entries must certify that animals have been owned the required length of time.
14. No individual animal may be shown in more than one class.
15. All single entries in the cattle and swine shows must be shown in the show ring by the exhibitor except when two singles are entered in the same weight classes by an exhibitor or a satisfactory reason is given to the show management.
16. All cattle must be tied with a rope halter and neck rope when not being shown. Steers must also be dehorned.
17. No grooming chutes will be allowed under the covers of the building.
18. The decision of the judges is final.

19. Cattle will be shrunk 3% when weighed in.
20. A 5% sales fee will be deducted by the Association from the price received by the exhibitor to help defray expenses of the sale.
21. Swine entries must weigh 220 to 295 lbs.
22. Showmanship trophies will be given to the top junior (ages 8-11), the top intermediate (ages 12-15), and the top senior (ages 16-19) showmen in the cattle and swine shows. To be eligible to win a showmanship trophy an exhibitor must follow the approved guidelines for cattle and swine showmanship. An individual may win awards as many times as he/she is showing an animal. Herdsmen's awards will be made in the cattle and swine barns. (Showmanship rules are available upon request.) September 1, 2016 is the date to determine age category. For example, a child that turns 12 after September 1 will still show as an intermediate.
23. A weight gain contest will be conducted for exhibitors of finished steers. Steers must be weighed on certified scales by authorized personnel (i.e. Vo-Ag teacher or Extension Agent).
24. Youth entries will be judged using the modified Danish system.
25. All entries are not to be given tranquilizer drugs within seven days of the show.
26. The Livestock Barn will be closed at 11:00 p.m. Only show management is allowed in the barn after that time.
27. It is understood that all exhibitors filing entries in the show agree to comply with these rules and regulations.
28. Boundaries designated for this show are Madison, Jefferson, Hamilton, Suwannee, Taylor, and Lafayette counties.
29. All steers must be shown in their natural conformation and structure without alteration by modification except for the grooming and treatment of the hair and the trimming of the hooves. No graphite, hair, cotton twine, etc. may be applied.
30. All animals **MUST** come for weighing/tagging scheduled for November 5, 2016. If an exhibitor cannot make the date then they **MUST** make arrangements to have their animal tagged prior to that date. **NO ANIMAL WILL BE TAGGED AFTER NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>.**
32. **AT SHOW CHECK-IN, ANIMALS WILL ONLY BE WEIGHED ONE TIME.**
33. All cattle **MUST** remain within the closed in area, that has been designated by show management, for the duration of the show. (Any cattle entry caught outside the fenced area may be subject to disqualification)