

**SOUTH FLORIDA FAIR YOUTH MARKET PROGRAM**  
**YOUTH ALL BREED MARKET STEER SHOW**  
**SATURDAY, JANUARY 24**  
**(Beginning at 9:00 a.m.)**  
**Rules & Regulations**

Youth eligible for Market Animal Shows must reside in one of the following counties: BROWARD, CHARLOTTE, COLLIER, DADE, DESOTO, GLADES, HARDEE, HENDRY, HIGHLANDS, INDIAN RIVER, LEE, MANATEE, MARTIN, MONROE, OKEECHOBEE, PALM BEACH, ST. LUCIE OR SARASOTA.

The South Florida Fair believes that every youth exhibitor should receive proper training and information for raising and showing a youth animal project. It is important that the exhibitor understand: the purpose and importance of ethics in youth livestock projects, proper animal handling and management and the difference between animal welfare and animal rights. The MANDATORY Youth Livestock Show Ethics and Animal Care Workshop is designed to certify students to meet these requirements. This program has been endorsed by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the University of Florida, IFAS.

1. Exhibitors cannot be under the age of 8 or over the age of 18 as of January 1, 2009. Exhibitors must, also, be attending school or be enrolled in a certified home school program. Exhibitors who have graduated from high school or obtained their high school G.E.D. are not eligible.
2. Exhibitors must have a major role in the feeding and caring program of the animals.
3. All steers must be dehorned.
4. Exhibitors must present at weigh-in a health certificate and a certificate signed by a veterinarian stating that all milk teeth are in place. The health certificate and milk teeth certificate must not be dated more than 30 days prior to weigh-in. A designated South Florida Fair ear tag must be in the steer's RIGHT EAR and tag number shown on health certificate. Exhibitor will be given a TOTAL of 6 exhibitor passes and 1 parking pass.
5. The steer must weigh a minimum of 1000 POUNDS (scale weight) AT WEIGH-IN ON 1/22/09 to show/sell and have gained a minimum of 2.00 POUNDS PER DAY FROM INITIAL WEIGH-IN DATE. Any steer not making weight will be disqualified from the show and sale. The animals disqualified must be immediately removed from the fairgrounds.
6. Exhibitor must be able to handle his/her steer by himself in the ring and with no more that two adults assisting outside the ring at final weigh-in time or the animal will be disqualified. This will be enforced by the Livestock Committee.
7. No professional groomers or herdsman will be allowed to assist. GROOMING FOR THE SHOW: There will be a fenced designated area for grooming. Junior exhibitors and ONE immediate family member only will be allowed in this area. Intermediate and Senior exhibitors will groom alone, and ONE immediate family member only will be allowed to give verbal assistance from outside the fenced area. The designated grooming area will be monitored by members of the Livestock Committee.
8. **ALL ENTRY FORMS MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1.** Mail entry forms to:

**LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT/SOUTH FLORIDA FAIR**  
**P.O. BOX 210367**  
**WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33421-0367**

**Pictures of both sides of the animal must be attached to the form. All animals must be weighed by a South Florida Fair Livestock Committee member(s). Weigh-in must be on a State of Florida, Department of Agriculture certified scale. Weight will be certified by a Livestock Committee member(s) and a proper entry form presented by the exhibitor, or the exhibitor will be disqualified. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to contact one of the three committee members listed for the date, time, and location for weigh-in.**

**Contact: Craig Elmore at 561/734-2164 - Keith Pearce at 863/634-7007**  
**Susan Wilson at 772/473-0270**

9. \*A minimum of 35 market steer and 75 market swine will be sold, subject to sufficient entries. Subject to the final decision to the Livestock Committee, the total number of animals sold in each division may be limited. A determination of limitation for sale if any, in each category will be decided within two (2) weeks of the entry deadline. Should the limitation of number of animals to be sold occur, those animals with the lowest score in each category, using the judges grading system, will be eliminated first.
10. Each exhibitor must write a minimum of **FIVE (5)** buyers letters with **TWO (2) NEW BUYERS**. The letter must include names and addresses of buyers. **Copies** of these letters must be sent to the Fair address above BY DECEMBER 1ST. Failure to comply will result in NOT being able to show or sell your animal.
11. The animal being entered must be at the Fairgrounds between 2:00 p.m .and 4:00 p.m., Thursday, January 22, 2009 for weigh-in. No animal will be allowed to UNLOAD until the State Veterinarian or designate has checked health papers.
  - (a) ANIMALS WILL BE WEIGHED ONE (1) TIME AND ONE TIME ONLY!
  - (b) Market steer and market hogs will undergo a sonogram at weigh-in.
  - (c) Steers will be divided into classes according to final weight.
12. Steer will be sold in the order in which they place.

**\* Rule currently under review.**

13. **THERE WILL BE A MANDATORY EXHIBITOR/PARENT MEETING AT 6:00 p.m. THURSDAY, JANUARY 22ND IN THE LIVESTOCK PAVILION. Exhibitor's sign MUST be in place for this meeting.**
14. **Exhibitors will turn in their COMPLETED RECORD BOOKS at the mandatory meeting on Thursday, January 22nd at 6:00 p.m.** Record books will be judged on a points scale and premiums will be paid for the blue and red ribbons.  
Record Books will be provided by the South Florida Fair.
15. Animals and stall area must be well maintained until departure of the animal. There will be a \$50.00 fine per day for each violation to be deducted from the sales proceeds. Please bring your own cleaning implements. No fans or tack boxes in the aisle way. Area must be inspected by a Livestock Committee member before you will be released from the Fair.
16. **Exhibitors will be clean and neatly dressed. Exhibitors will wear long pants, buttoned shirt and closed toe shoes. No tennis shoes permitted. Failure to adhere to proper dress code as determined by the Livestock Committee may lead to disqualification.**
17. Drug tests will be given at the discretion of the Livestock Committee. No drugging of animals is permitted. Drugging will result in disqualification, removal, and forfeiture of premiums.
18. Tuberculin and brucellosis testing is not required on steer(s) entering market steer show only.
19. **Steer weight at initial weigh-in must be a minimum of 650 pounds.** There will be a rate of gain contest.
20. All steer(s) will be entered in the State carcass contest, if held.
21. There will be a deduction of not more than 5% from the final check for expenses. Charges on Buy-Backs must be paid prior to the animal being shipped.
22. **Checks will not be issued until a copy of the THANK YOU LETTER TO YOUR BUYER has been received (within 30 days of market sale) by:**

**LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT/SOUTH FLORIDA FAIR  
P.O. BOX 210367  
WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33421-0367**

**If Thank You letters are not received by said date, then exhibitor's check will be forfeited to the Youth Market Animal Fund.**

23. All animals ENTERED will be SOLD at Auction. **All market animals MUST go to slaughter. NO exceptions will be granted.**
24. Only one market animal per exhibitor.
25. NO CHEMICALS ARE TO BE ADMINISTERED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF SHOW DATE UNLESS ADMINISTERED BY A VETERINARIAN AND ACCOMPANIED BY A LETTER.
26. Failure to comply with the above rules governing this show will result in the immediate removal of the exhibitor's animal from the fairgrounds and the forfeiture of all premiums and sale proceeds.
27. Upon signing your entry form, you agree to abide by the International Association of Fairs & Expositions (IAFE) National Code of Show Ring Ethics.
28. **No Dogs** are allowed inside the tents or buildings.
29. All steer(s) weighing over 1300 pounds will be sold as 1300 pound steer(s).
30. It is required that exhibitor and parent sign drug certification form at check-in prior to acceptance for show and sale.
31. **Market prices will be posted at the final weigh-in for both market steers and hogs.**
32. **All animals are subject to DNA verification by South Florida Fair Livestock Committee. Any animal failing DNA verification will be disqualified and all proceeds forfeited. Any exhibitor found in violation of this rule will be permanently banned from participation in South Florida Fair livestock programs.**

WEIGH-IN AT FAIRGROUNDS:  
JANUARY 22, 2009 - 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

YOUTH MARKET MEETING  
JANUARY 22 2009 - 6:00 PM  
(with proof of handling to follow)

MARKET STEER SHOW  
JANUARY 24, 2009 - 9:00 AM

MARKET STEER SALE  
JANUARY 24, 2009 - 6:00 PM

<b>PREMIUMS</b>	
All Classes	
Blue	\$20.00
Red	\$15.00
White	\$10.00
Championship Class: Trophy	

**STEER WEIGHT GAIN CONTEST**  
Grand Champion: \$100  
Reserve Grand Champion: \$75.00

**STEER CARCASS CONTEST**  
Grand Champion: \$100  
Reserve Grand Champion: \$75.00

**YOUTH SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES**

- Class & Number
1. Senior: Ages 15-18 years
  2. Intermediate: Ages 12-14 years
  3. Junior: Ages 8-11 years

**SHOWMANSHIP PREMIUMS**  
1st Place: \$20.00    2nd Place: \$15.00  
3rd Place: \$10.00

**PROJECT RECORD BOOKS**

Blue 90-100 pts \$20.00  
Red 80-89 pts \$15.00  
White 70-79 pts

**NEW INFORMATION IS HIGHLIGHTED**

**2008  
Youth Market Buyers List  
STEERS**

South Florida Fair  
King Ranch  
Publix Supermarkets  
Sunshine Aluminum  
Whitworth Farms  
GL Homes  
C & L Ranch  
Seminole Tribe of Florida  
Johnson & Davis  
AGRIMACO  
Altima Lighting  
Bedner Growers  
Janet Bell  
Billy & Dari Bowman  
Charlie's Lawn and Landscape  
Vicki Chouris & Group  
Dave DeMay  
TJ & Jennifer Elmore



Growers Management  
H & J Contracting  
J. Skelton Management, Inc.  
Scott & Robin Johnson  
Renee Lampman  
Lewis Friend Farm  
McArthur Farms  
Milking R, Inc.  
Prestige Insurance  
Quality Turf- Mr. Corey Kirton  
SK Services - Mr. Spencer Kirton  
South Fork High School  
Syfrett Feed  
Tile Right  
Town & Country Feed  
Tradesman Quality Plastering  
Wantman Group  
Witter Harvesting, Inc.

**PLEASE SUPPORT  
THOSE WHO  
SUPPORT  
OUR  
YOUTH MARKET  
EXHIBITORS**