

# Important Rules Changes and Reminders for 2019

The following rule changes will be enforced/implemented for the 2019 Brazos County Youth Livestock Show, unless otherwise stated.

## 2019 General Rules and Regulations

16. All Exhibitors must adhere to the **2018-2019 TEXAS 4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK PROGRAM ETHICS POLICY (Updated April, 2018)**. This document is available at: <https://texasyouthlivestock.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/2018-2019-Ethics-Policy-FINAL-1.pdf>

## Premium Auction

4. Each exhibitor is limited in the sale to the following:

- A. Each exhibitor is limited to the sale of one (1) animal per species or **FCS division project** with a maximum of two (2) sale lots from multiple species. The sole exception is halter and commercial steers. An exhibitor will be allowed to sell two (2) beef projects, but only one (1) from the halter steer division and one (1) from the commercial steer division.

Summary of change - Addition of "FCS division project" to clarify maximum sale lots.

## Market Goats

15. **Fitting**

Foreign material including (but not limited to) painting, powdering, oiling, artificial coloring, or adhesives is prohibited. Changing the color of hair at any point, spot or area on the animal's body is prohibited. Any grooming material that allows color to come off from an animal will not be allowed at the show. The use of alcoholic or carbonated beverages in the feed or administered as a drench is prohibited.

Summary of change - Addition of fitting prohibitions.

## Market Lambs

4. **Minimum Weight**

Lambs must weigh a **minimum of 100 pounds** at weigh-in.

Summary of change – Increased minimum weight on all breeds.

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Summary of change - Addition of fitting prohibitions.

## **Junior Commercial Steers**

### **2. Entry**

An entry will consist of no more than four (4) steers but, must be at least three (3). **Each entry must** be kept and fed separately from any other cattle during this feeding program. Failure to feed an entry separate from other cattle or another pen entry could result in points deducted.

Summary of change – Clarification of number of steers required and separate feeding rule.

## **Family and Consumer Sciences**

### **3. Identification and submission of items**

**Baked Goods** - All items must be presented in a **STURDY** disposable container and covered. No glass will be accepted. Small items such as cupcakes, cookies, bars, and candies are to be exhibited in groups of at least six. Items that are pre-sliced or cut into parts will not be judged (except for cookies, bars, and candies that are cut for grouping). Exhibitors must submit a FCS Show Project form at validation and bring a copy with the entry on the day of the show. The form must specify all steps used in preparation of the product. All items will be cut and may be tasted. All parts must be 100% edible. **EXCEPTION:** Those items such as columns, toothpicks, etc. used for support. No food item that requires refrigeration will be accepted. Items defined by USDA or FDA as requiring refrigeration include pumpkin, chess or pecan pies whose fillings use eggs and milk as major component; cream cheese frosting or fillings where cream cheese is a major component of the item; and items that include raw eggs and are not heat processed, such as homemade mayonnaise. **Fresh fruit is not allowed.** Note this is not a complete list. If further clarification is needed concerning this rule, please contact the FCS committee prior to validation. Recipes will be reviewed at validation, and you may be asked to substitute part of or an entire recipe. All baked good items, with the exception of Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Baked Goods and Jr., Int. and Sr. Class Champion and Reserve Class Champion Baked Goods, will be sold following the judging in the FCS exhibit hall. The proceeds from these sales will be used to benefit the FCS division. **Label all baked good items with the name of recipe only for bake sale.** Any baked good items that are not purchased will be subject to the regular release rule, see #4.

Summary of change - Fresh fruit is no longer allowed and new labeling requirements.

**Sewing** - All entries must be machine or hand sewn or hand-made and must be in a protective plastic bag. **Sewing projects will be removed from bags for judging and during viewing hours.** A brief description of steps taken to assemble the entry, including special sewing techniques and types of materials or patterns used must be submitted on FCS project form.

Summary of change – Projects will be removed from bags for judging and display purposes.

**Arts & Crafts** - Items in this division are to be judged on appearance, construction and originality. Entries should be neatly displayed. Item should be attractive, creative and clean. Paintings and drawings can be matted and framed at the discretion of the exhibitor. **Self-contained battery-operated features are allowed, electricity that requires a wall plug or is not self-contained is not allowed. Your project must be 100% ready for display when you check in and will be taken back by a volunteer. All entries must be within a size that can safely be carried through a single standard door. Please consider this during your planning.** A brief description of steps taken to make the entry, including special techniques and types of materials used, must be submitted on a FCS project form.

Summary of change – Addition of power limitations, project readiness at check-in and maximum size limitations.

**Woodworking/Metalworking** - Items from this category must be individually constructed, cannot be a chapter project. **Self-contained battery-operated features are allowed, electricity that requires a wall plug or is not self-contained is not allowed.** A brief description of steps taken to construct the entry, including special techniques and types of materials used, must be submitted on a FCS project form. **Portfolios are optional, but the project form is still required.**

**Small & Medium projects must be 100% ready for display when you check in and will be taken back by a volunteer. All entries must be within a size that can safely be carried through a single standard door. Please consider this during your planning.**

**Large metal/wood projects will be allowed a maximum of 20 minutes of setup time in the exhibit hall. FCS Committee members reserve the right to require individuals to leave the exhibit hall upon completion of setup or at the committee member's discretion. Setup must be finished by 9:00 am.**

Summary of change - Addition of power limitations, project readiness at check-in and maximum size limitations.

**Ornamental Horticulture** - All ornamental entries in categories A, B & C (Dish Garden/Terrariums, Potted Plants) must be owned and maintained by the exhibitor for a minimum of 2 months prior to BCLYS. Projects in these categories can be started as soon as the conclusion of BCYLS show. Category D (Fresh & Silk Floral Arrangements) does not have a specified ownership date. **Self-contained battery-operated features are allowed, electricity that requires a wall plug or is not self-contained**

**is not allowed. Your project must be 100% ready for display when you check in and will be taken back by a volunteer. All entries must be within a size that can safely be carried through a single standard door. Please consider this during your planning.**

For category A, B, & C (Dish Garden/Terrariums, Potted Plants), pictures must be taken and be placed in the portfolio to show the progression of the project, but ***are not*** to include the exhibitor. The exhibitor must take a minimum of 5 pictures at the beginning of the project, including the materials used and the design process, 2-3 pictures **every two weeks** for the duration of the project, and a minimum of 1 picture of the finished design. Each photo should indicate the date in some way (either written or included on the actual photo). **In the event your plants die, ≤ 25% of the surface area of the vegetative matter can be replaced during the project, please clearly note that in both the pictures and the maintenance notes.**

**Dish Garden – A garden of plants growing in a shallow dish/bowl for a container and have plants that grow very slowly or stay small.**

**Terrarium – A sealed or mostly enclosed transparent container in which plants are grown and have plants that grow very slowly or stay small.**

**Potted plants (single variety) – This may be a single plant or several plants of the same variety. For example planting 6 small petunias in a hanging basket and allowing that to grow into a large basket full of the same petunias.**

For category D (Fresh/Silk Floral Arrangements), the portfolio should have pictures of the materials before you begin, then several pictures during the steps of construction, and pictures of the final design. Again, pictures ***should not*** include the exhibitor.

Exhibitors must submit a portfolio with the project at the time of check in. The purpose of the Horticulture Portfolio is to enhance the learning experience of the student by having them be able to tell how to assemble and care for that project and reflect on their project. Judges will use the portfolio to better see the progression and degree of difficulty of each project.

The portfolio must include:

- List of Materials, **consider using scientific names**
- Procedure **or steps to plant or construct the project**
- Pictures of the Progression
- Maintenance notes for **Categories A, B, & C (such as watering, fertilizing, pruning, etc.)**
- Reflection (explain what you learned, how you would improve your project)

If you would like a portfolio template in Microsoft Word, please email [sclinkscales@csisd.org](mailto:sclinkscales@csisd.org). You are more than welcome to create your own.

Summary of change - Addition of power limitations, project readiness at check-in and maximum size limitations. Additional rules including 25% replant allowance, definitions of Dish Garden, Terrarium and Potted Plants, and clarification of portfolio requirements.

**9. Premium Auction**

The Class Champion and Reserve Class Champion of each of the seven (7) Classes (Baked Goods, Canned Goods, Sewing, Arts & Crafts, Woodworking/Metalworking, Ornamental Horticulture and Photography) will be eligible for the auction. Class Champions and Reserve Class Champions may elect to drop from the sale. If an item is dropped, the next ranking entry will become eligible for the auction. **BCYLS exhibitors will be allotted one sale lot from the FCS Division, not to exceed two sale lots total, unless the exhibitors have market species that earn Grand/Reserve Grand Champions.**

Summary of change – Clarification of maximum sale lots per exhibitor from the FCS Division.

**BCYLS Queen Contest Rules**

**8. Appropriate Behavior**

Queen's contestants will behave appropriately anytime they are present at the BCYLS show. This includes but is not limited to use of drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, becoming pregnant, etc. In the event this situation arises, the contestant will be notified of our knowledge of the situation and could be asked to relinquish their title, sash and duties.

Summary of change – Addition of rule regarding appropriate behavior.