

**RULES
OF THE
MISSISSIPPI LIVESTOCK SHOW**

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SUBPART 3—REGULATIONS
CHAPTER 01—Mississippi Livestock Show

Adoption of Regulations

- 100 Regulations for the Livestock Show shall be the same as the rules and regulations found in the current Mississippi State Fair Premium Book and the current Dixie National/Junior Round-up Premium Book unless otherwise noted in subsequent regulations. A copy of the premium books can be obtained by e-mailing greg@mdac.state.ms.us or by calling the Department at (601)359-1100.

(Adopted August 17, 2009; amended July 2010.)

Item 1:

Approve proposed show dates of:

Mississippi State Fair, Jackson – October 7 – 17, 2010

- NE District Show, Verona – January 20-22, 2011
- NW District Show, Batesville – January 27-29, 2011
- SE District Show, Hattiesburg – January 28-30, 2011
- Delta District Show, Greenwood – January 31-February 2, 2011
- SW District Show, Jackson – January 31-February 3, 2011

Dixie National Junior Round-Up, Jackson – February 3 – 10, 2011

Item 2:

Page 8 of the Dixie National Junior Roundup rule book under “Animal Inspection” currently states the following:

“The Show Management shall have the authority to inspect and conduct any tests on any animal entered in the show. Specifically, management has the authority to inspect any animal entered in the Sale of Junior Champions, its hide or carcass, to collect blood, urine, body fluid, tissue and/or any other laboratory analysis deemed necessary. The exhibitor, and his/her parent(s) or guardian(s) or designated volunteer leader, must be present during the collection of samples for testing, sign necessary paperwork, and verify the sample to be properly collected and prepared for analysis. All specimens, which are taken randomly or from sale animals, must be sealed and the seal signed by the parent and/or exhibitor and the sample taker. The parent and/or exhibitor must be present with the specimen until it is sealed. Testing results will be disclosed to the exhibitor and family and their County Extension Office. Mississippi State University – College of Veterinary Medicine (MSU-CVM) licensed technicians shall be permitted to perform collection of urine, division of samples, and sealing of the sterile containers. Veterinary technicians are permitted to keep records and sign drug forms in the presence of the parent and/or exhibitor and the sample taker. The MSU-CVM veterinarian will also sign the drug forms but does not need to be present during the actual collection and sealing of samples and will be available on-site if issues arise.”

“As a condition for participation in the show and sale, every exhibitor, by entering an animal, agrees his/her animal may be inspected and subject to any laboratory analysis or any other tests. Furthermore, every exhibitor agrees that the conclusions reached and actions taken by the Inspection Committee and Rules Committee shall be final, without recourse against show officials, the Rules Committee, the Inspection Committee, or buyers. The Inspection Committee shall be appointed by the Extension 4-H Livestock Specialist and made up of the Extension veterinarian or designed veterinarian/technician of the MSU-CVM, area livestock agent, and 3 to 5 additional Extension Agents/Vo-Ag advisors. (This committee is also referred to as the drug testing committee).”

The rule will be changed to read as follows with changes in red:

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Item 3:

Proposal passed to allow dairy cattle to use medications deemed necessary by show approved veterinarians to treat disorders that may be subject to occur in lactating and/or pregnant dairy cattle.

The proposed change would go under the heading “Drug Use Rule” (as adapted from the National Code of Show Ring Ethics); page 8:

Drug Use Rule

Legal or illegal substances used to physically alter the appearance, behavior, and/or performance of an animal entered in livestock events is prohibited. Performance enhancing drugs (including, but not limited to: steroids, diuretics, anti-inflammatories, tranquilizers and pain killers) may not be administered 5 days prior to showing the animal. However; at the Mississippi State Fair Junior Dairy Show and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Junior Dairy Show, a veterinarian from MSU’s College of Veterinary Medicine or the State Veterinarian or a veterinarian designated by the State Veterinarian, may administer medication(s) he or she deems necessary to treat an acute health condition in a lactating and or pregnant dairy heifer or cow and the animal be allowed to show provided that: (1) the treating veterinarian determines that showing the animal does not place the animal’s health or the health of other animals at risk and does not mask any pre-existing condition that could otherwise alter the gait or performance of the animal, and (2) after all entries in the class in which the treated animal is to be shown have entered the show ring and before judging begins there shall be an announcement made on the show ring’s public

address system to all entries in the class and to the judge stating which animal(s) has(have) been treated if any of the medication(s) administered is (are) considered potential “performance enhancing drug(s)”.

Item 4:

As the recommendation comes from the Steering Committee and the Livestock Council, this new rule will eliminate pre-show weigh-ins. Exhibitors will declare weights on all market animals except Commercial Dairy Heifers.

Therefore, the amended motion to allow exhibitors to declare their weights on all animals (except Commercial dairy heifers) that show by weight and certified scales shall be available at times set by show management along with weigh back.

As the rule will read in the rule book:

Exhibitors will be allowed to declare their weight on all animals (except commercial dairy heifers) that show by weight. Certified scales will be available at the times set by show management, and weigh back will still be in effect. At weigh back, any animal exceeding its declared weight by more than 5% shall be disqualified.

** This new rule will be added to each market section and beef commercial heifer section.

Item 5:

As recommended by the Livestock Council and Steering Committee, on page 37 (under dairy show classification breakdowns) of the Junior Roundup Premium book, the classes will read as follows:

2011 Dixie National Purebred Dairy Cattle Classes

Class 01:	Fall Heifer Calves	September 1, 2010 – November 30, 2010
Class 02:	Summer Heifer Calves	June 1, 2010 – August 31, 2010
Class 03:	Spring Heifer Calves	March 1, 2010 – May 31, 2010
Class 04:	Winter Yearling Heifers	December 1, 2009 – February 28, 2010
Class 05:	Fall Yearling Heifers	September 1, 2009 – November 30, 2009
Class 06:	Summer Yearling Heifers	June 1, 2009 – August 31, 2009
Class 07:	Spring Yearling Heifers	March 1, 2009 – May 31, 2009
Class 08:	Junior Champion Female	
Class 09:	Reserve Junior Champion Female	

Class 10:	Two-Year-Old Cows* *Includes yearlings in milk	March 1, 2008 – February 28, 2009
Class 11:	Three-Year-Old Cows	March 1, 2007 – February 29, 2008
Class 12:	Four-Year-Old Cows	March 1, 2006 – February 28, 2007
Class 13:	Aged Cows	Born prior to March 1, 2006
Class 14:	Senior Champion Female	
Class 15:	Reserve Senior Champion Female	
Class 16:	Grand Champion Female	
Class 17:	Reserve Grand Champion Female	
Class 18:	County Herd – six registered females of the same breed, any age, owned by at least two different Junior Show exhibitors from the same county. Herds will not receive less than \$30.00 for Blue and \$20.00 for Red. White ribbon herds will not receive premium.	

Item 6:

Page 45, Rule 10 of the 2010 Dixie National Junior Roundup book, the current rule states as follows:

~~“First and second place animals in each class of commercial meat goat does will be required to weigh back as soon as possible after their respective class. The animal must weigh within 5% of the overage or it will be disqualified. If either or both of the first or second place animals are disqualified, weighing through the order of the class will continue until an official first and second are determined. Show Management will designate an individual to accompany each animal and exhibitor to the scales for weigh back.”~~

As the recommendation comes from the Livestock Council and Steering Committee:

Eliminate the weigh back on commercial meat goat does. Justification: The commercial doe show was set up to follow the commercial heifer show and the commercial heifers are not required to weigh back. This is unnecessary and takes too much time.

By passage of this item the previous rule is deleted.

Item 7:

The original rule from the 2010 Dixie National Junior Roundup (on page 45, Rule 3) states:

~~“Age of commercial meat goat does will be determined by milk teeth. Does will be mouthed at weigh in for Dixie National. Does that have lost the center temporary incisor teeth (baby teeth), but have no visible permanent incisors, are eligible to show. Any visible permanent incisor tooth disqualifies the doe.”~~

“Age of commercial meat goat does will be determined by milk teeth. Does will be mouthed at weigh-in at each District Livestock Show. Does that have lost the center temporary incisor teeth (baby teeth), but have no visible permanent incisors, are eligible to show. Any visible permanent incisor tooth disqualifies the doe.”

As the recommendation comes from the Livestock Council and Steering Committee, this rule will be deleted.

Item 8:

The original rule from the 2010 Dixie National Junior Roundup (on page 49, Rule 10) currently reads:

~~“All registered animals must be accompanied by an original registration certificate showing the junior exhibitor owns that animal.”~~

As the rule will read in the rule book:

All animals must be accompanied by an original registration certificate showing the junior exhibitor owns that animal. Grade animals must have original nomination form listing animal's tattoos and other permanent identification, signed by the Extension agent or FFA advisor. (This wordage will replace the original rule.)

Item 9:

The original rule from the 2010 Dixie National Junior Roundup (page 54, Rule 4) pertaining to steer ultrasound contest currently states:

~~4. “Entries will be accepted until the steers are weighed for the show (Sunday, February _____, 2011, at 12:00 Noon.). No entries will be accepted after this time.”~~

As the recommendation comes from the Livestock Council and Steering Committee:

3. If steers are signed up for Round-Up, they are signed up for Ultra Sound Evaluation Contest.