

## 2023 SVYLSS YOUTH STEER SHOW RULES AND REGULATIONS

Suwannee County Fair, March 20-23, 2023

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

<b>Online Registration Form Due</b>	November 11, 2022 by 5:00pm
<b>Registration Entry Fee Due</b>	November 11, 2022 by 5:00 pm
<b>MANDATORY Exhibitor Meeting</b>	November 19, 2022 at 8:30am in the Conflerworth Stands
<b>Initial Tag-In/Weigh-In</b>	November 19, 2022 9:30 am
<b>Record Book Due</b>	March 13, 2023 at 11:59pm
<b>Swine Weigh-In</b>	March 20, 2023 at 8:00-10:00 am <i>***Trailers must be in line by 10:00***</i>
<b>Swine Showmanship</b>	March 20, 2023 at 6:30pm
<b>Steer Weigh-in</b>	March 21, 2023 at 8:00-10:00am <i>***Trailers must be in line by 9:30***</i>
<b>Swine Show</b>	March 21, 2023 at 6:30 pm
<b>Steer Show</b>	March 22, 2023 7:00 pm
<b>Sale</b>	March 23, 2023 9:00am

1. Entries are limited to active 4-H and FFA members (active will be defined by FFA Advisors and 4-H Agents) who are at least eight years old by September 1, 2022, and who have not graduated from high school prior to the 2023 Suwannee Valley Youth Livestock Show and Sale. Exhibitors must be a resident of and enrolled in school or a 4-H club in Suwannee, Hamilton or Lafayette Counties. **Exhibitors must be enrolled in 4-H or FFA no later than November 1, 2022.** The entry form is online and it is due on November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022. No entry forms will be accepted late.

2. Each exhibitor is limited to registering with two pigs, one pig and one steer, or two steers.

3. In most cases, only one animal may be sold through the auction and if another animal is exhibited, it will receive market value. Caveats to this rule include:

a.) The highest placing animal of the two exhibited will be the animal that is sold through the auction.

b.) If both animals are placed as Grand and/or Reserve Champion; then the exhibitor will have the option to sell both animals at the auction.



14. Animals must be castrated and dehorned prior to initial weigh-in. Steers that have been dehorned and nubs re-grown may enter if the nubs are two inches (2") or less from the hair line at final weigh-in.

15. All MARKET/FAT steers will be sold for slaughter as SVYLSS is a **terminal** show. A **5%** sales commission will be charged to the Exhibitor on the gross sale of the animal. \*\*\*PLEASE READ RULE #34 CLOSELY\*\*\*

16. Any evidence of tampering with a steer automatically disqualifies the entry. This includes, but is not limited to, drugs and tranquilizers.

17. Show classes will be divided after animals are weighed. Classes will be divided on basis of weight.

**18. The Steer (Fat and Feeder categories) Show will be blow and go only. This means no hair care products. Wash, Blow, Comb, Show.** For further clarification:

“A “blow and go” cattle show is a blow and show or rinse off and show format. Products that cannot be used include adhesives, paints, or aerosols that are used to build the hair or change the color of the animal. No paint or glue is to be used on any part of the animal. You are allowed the use of oils, liniments, no-rinse conditioners, and fly spray. The whole goal of a “no fit” show for 2023 is to limit the need to “break down” the cattle and the usage of the wash racks at the conclusion of the show.”

EXHIBITORS: IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT A PRODUCT YOU WANT TO USE, PLEASE ASK A MEMBER OF THE LIVESTOCK BOARD BEFORE USING IT!!!

A comb and wipe test will be performed as animals enter the ring. Any animal found in violation of this rule where the check reveals the use of prohibited products will not be allowed to enter the ring. This will result in the exhibitor receiving market value for fat calves and for feeders the option of selling for market value or leaving the premises immediately. An exhibitor who violates this rule will be prohibited from registering for and participating in the SVYLSS the following show year.

19. Exhibitors shall exhibit their steer during the show and sale. If an exhibitor does not exhibit their steer in the show or sale, they shall receive only market value (RESALE) for their steer.

20. The Livestock Board has the authority to exempt any exhibitor from showmanship, show or sale. A written request must be made prior to the last board meeting, which is usually held one to two weeks prior to the show. Written inquiries should be delivered to any board member, 4-H agent, leader or FFA advisor.

21. Each Exhibitor must assume all liability in the event of the death of his or her steer until it is released to the Buyer. This includes feed and water.

22. Steers must be shown with a chain halter. A rope halter of at least 3/8" in diameter must be left on the steer after the sale. Nose leads will not be acceptable in the show ring or during screening.

23. Judging will be on the Modified Danish System.

## 24. AWARDS GIVEN:

Grand Champion Fat Steer

Reserve Champion Fat Steer

Grand Champion Feeder Steer

Reserve Champion Feeder Steer

Home Grown Champion

Home Grown Reserve Champion

\*\*\* If there are at least 20 calves exhibited in Fat AND/OR Feeder

there will be a 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Overall\*\*\*

Junior Showmanship (8-10)

Intermediate Showmanship (11-13)

Senior Showmanship (14-18)

Gain in Weight – First, Second & Third

Herdsman Award

Best Record Book Junior (8-10)

Best Record Book Intermediate (11-13)

Best Record Book Senior (14-18)

25. At the sale, Exhibitors must lead their animal from the ring into the barn. Any Exhibitor not complying with this rule will be fined.

26. It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to obtain the name and address of his/her buyer. A copy of the Thank You letter written to the buyer must be sent to the Show Secretary (at the following address) before the exhibitor will receive payment for their animal. Send a copy to your local Extension Office in Suwannee, Hamilton, or Lafayette County. **Providing a letter to your advisor does not satisfy this requirement.**

27. No straw bedding is allowed in the Livestock Barns except livestock matting, which is acceptable. Material that may be dangerous, such as fences, will not be allowed. No flowers or plants will be allowed in the exhibit area. You are encouraged to limit items in the area to a reasonably sized show box. Tools, such as pitch forks, must be stored in a manner not to create a hazard. Exhibitor/club signs may be displayed as long as they do not interfere with the view of the overall barn, create a hazard or extend into the space of neighboring exhibitor.

28. The Suwannee County Fair Association and the Suwannee Valley Youth Livestock Show & Sale assume no liability whatsoever.

29. A Home Grown steer contest will be included in the 2022 Steer Show. The purpose of this contest is to:

- Recognize exhibitors who raise, feed and show steers from their home farm herd.
- Exhibit a steer that is a representative of the type of cattle produced by the exhibitor's home farm herd.

The same steer is shown in the regular steer show and the Home-Grown contest. To qualify for this contest each exhibitor must show a steer that was bred and calved on exhibitor's farm.

30. The Judges' decision is FINAL.

31. This is a 4-H and FFA sale. No money will be distributed to the Exhibitor until ALL resale funds are collected. Final checks will be distributed within thirty (30) days after the buyers make their payments to SVYLSS.

32. Exhibitor checks will not be mailed; they must be picked up at the Extension Office. Lafayette 4-H, Lafayette FFA, Branford 4-H, and Branford FFA checks will be picked up from the Lafayette County Extension Office. Suwannee 4-H, SMS FFA, SHS FFA and all Hamilton exhibitors checks can be picked up at the Suwannee County Extension office in Live Oak.

33. It is understood that all exhibitors filing entries in the show agree to comply with these rules and understand that any violation of any of the rules will result in a suspension in being able to exhibit animals in the 2024 SVYLSS.

34. In accordance with Rule Chapter 5C-4, any animal weighing 850 pounds or greater are considered fat steers and will be sent to slaughter. No individual will be able to remove animals from the fairgrounds without being an FSIS Inspected Establishment by USDA and listed on the official list provided by USDA. This means that buyers may have a private treaty with a slaughter establishment in order to keep the meat from an animal that they purchase but arrangements must be made prior to load out with that establishment for them to pick up an animal. ONLY FEEDER STEERS (less than 849 pounds) may be loaded back on a trailer by an individual not listed on the FSIS Inspected Establishment List. **ALL FAT STEERS WILL GO TO AN APPROVED SLAUGHTER ESTABLISHMENT- NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**