

MARKET GOAT DIVISION

1. All entries in this department will be subject to the general rules and regulations and the Junior Livestock Auction rules.
2. Entry fee will be \$10.00 per market goat.
3. All goats must be owned, validated, ear tagged, placed on feed, and in the exhibitor's or their immediate family's possession by 4th Saturday of June. Market goats must be ear tagged and validated at the Jim Wells County Fairgrounds on the following date and time: 4th Saturday of June from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.
4. Exhibitors will not be charged validation fees on the first three (3) head of market goats validated. Exhibitors may validate additional market goats at a cost of \$5.00 per head. Validation fees must be paid at validation.
5. No tags other than health or validation tags will be allowed. All other tags will be removed at validation.
6. All goats must be shorn slick/clean above knee and hock joints excluding the tail switch prior to final weigh-in.
7. All goats must have horns tipped blunt prior to arrival at the Jim Wells County Fair or they will be sifted by the sifting judge.
8. Goats are to be on the fairgrounds Tuesday, October 20, 2026, for weighing and sifting from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All non-sifted goats shall remain in their designated barn/area from 10:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 20, 2026 until 6:00 a.m. Wednesday, October 21, 2026
9. Ownership of each project will be designated at final weigh-in.
10. No exhibitor will be allowed to reweigh after crossing the scales at weigh-in.
11. All animals will be presented to a sifting judge.
12. Market goats may be either wethers or does. Market goats must weigh between 60 – 115 pounds at weigh-in. Weight classes will be divided into 1) Light, 2) Medium and 3) Heavy Weight Divisions. The top two (2) animals in each class will be considered for Weight Division Champion and Reserve Champion.
13. The division superintendent will assign pens.
14. A Grand and a Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat will be chosen from the Champion and Reserve Champion entries in each Weight Division.
15. Exhibitors will be allowed to use collars without spikes in the show ring.
16. No hay allowed in goat pens.