

WILLIAMSON COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW ASSOCIATION

December 11, 2026

**Commercial Bred Heifer Show & Sale Rules**

1. Exhibitor must be either a resident of Williamson Co. or attend school in Williamson Co. and must meet the following requirements:
  - a. Must be enrolled in a public or private elementary or secondary school.
  - b. Must be a minimum of nine years old as of September 1<sup>st</sup> of the current school year.
  - c. Must be a member of a Williamson Co. 4-H or a Williamson Co. FFA Chapter.
  - d. Exhibitor must not participate in any other out of county "County level" market show during the current school year.
  - e. Clothing with suggestive wording/pictures will not be allowed in the show ring.
2. Exhibitors should notify Commercial Heifer superintendent via email at [WCLA.BOD@gmail.com](mailto:WCLA.BOD@gmail.com) of their intention to tag commercial heifers as well as the location of housing of heifers no later than Wednesday March 15, 2026.
3. The Williamson County Livestock Show commercial bred heifer show must consist of a pen of two (2) bred heifers. **No more than 5 head may be validated.**
4. Tag-In Dates & Ownership deadlines: Commercial Heifers will be tagged & processed April 4, 2026. Heifers will be tagged at a location to be determined. All Validation entries and fees will be paid at this time. A breeding/management plan will be submitted at this time.
5. Family tag-in is acceptable and a maximum of five heifers per exhibitor may be tagged. Heifers will be palpated at validation, and must be open. A fee of \$100.00 per head will be charged at validation. This will include palpate, vaccinations, and tags. If tags fall out of the ears, the exhibitor must notify the superintendent within 24 hours.

If heifers are tagged as a family, exhibitors must declare ownership before unloading at palpation date.
6. At validation heifers must have baby teeth in place. HEIFERS **MUST be** bred after validation. Heifers must be polled or dehorned. All cattle must be dehorned or "Tipped" to be eligible to show or sell.
7. Each exhibitor may only show one pen of commercial heifers.
8. Heifers must comply with The Texas Animal Health Commission rules governing entry into the Williamson County Livestock Show. If you are in doubt of the rules, contact heifer superintendent.
9. Heifers will not be required to be halter broke; however, the heifers must have a gentle disposition that would allow close viewing by the judge at show and exhibition at the fair.
10. Exhibitors must own heifers 100% throughout the feeding period starting April 1st. Exhibitor must feed and care for heifers in Williamson County on their facility, or other committee approved facility. Heifers must be cared for without any aid or assistance other than that of immediate family, Williamson County Extension Agents, Ag Science Teachers, and/or 4-H Adult Leaders. Violations will cause the exhibitor to forfeit all rights to compete in the commercial heifer show.
11. **WCLA reserves the right to inspect projects at any time after tag-in.**
12. Each exhibitor must attach a sign stating name, 4-H Club/FFA Chapter as soon as judging is complete.
13. Stalls, pens, and alleys must be kept clean throughout the show. No bedding allowed.
14. EACH **EXHIBITOR MUST COMPLETE A RECORD BOOK TO BE TURNED IN AT PALPATION DAY Saturday November 21, 2026. All information for the heifers will be turned in at palpation day.(Sire info, Breed type of heifers)**  
**\*Heifers that have calved before palpation date will "NOT" be eligible to show. Heifers that calve after palpation date will be eligible to show.**  
Record book forms can be found on website at [wmcolivestock.org](http://wmcolivestock.org) .  
You are encouraged to take pictures **EACH MONTH** to collect for your record book.
15. Interviews will be conducted at the conclusion of judging heifers at the show.

16. LEADERSHIP AWARDS WILL BE AWARDED TO EACH DIVISION, Juniors (3<sup>rd</sup> grade – 8<sup>th</sup> grade), and Seniors (9<sup>th</sup> grade – 12<sup>th</sup> grade). Divisions are based on the grade the exhibitor is in the day of the show.

OVERALL COMMERCIAL HEIFER LEADERSHIP AWARDS ARE BASED ON:

Interview	25%
Record Book	25%
Animal Placing	50%

17. Superintendents **reserve the right to combine or divide classes if it is deemed necessary.**
18. The President may appoint sifting committees to inspect the fitness of animals for show. The sifting committee reserves the right to remove from the grounds any animal, stand or show, that may be falsely entered or deemed unsuitable or objectionable.
19. All applications for entry must be made on the proper entry card. This card must be filled out and signed by parent or guardian. Entry fees must accompany all entries. IRS Form W-9 must accompany entry blanks. Entries WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED without proper signatures.

An exhibitor ineligible, according to his/her school administration, will **not** be permitted to show, or have an entry shown. **Students ineligible for entire length of show will not be permitted to have an entry at the show.**

20. The Williamson County Livestock Show Assn. will in no way be responsible for any loss, injury, or damage to the exhibitor or to his or her exhibits, or injury to any individual that may occur during the duration of the show.

21. Protests must be in writing and must be accompanied by a deposit of one hundred dollars (\$200.00), which will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. Such protests must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal, and must be delivered to the livestock show president or superintendent within 30 minutes of completion of judging of the division in question or prior to the judging. **NO COMPLAINTS WILL BE HEARD BY BOARD MEMBERS UNTIL \$200.00 CASH PROTEST FEE IS FILED.**

22. **UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT OF THE EXHIBITORS, PARENTS, OR GUARDIAN MAY BE REASON FOR DISQUALIFICATION OF THE EXHIBIT AND/OR EXHIBITOR FROM THE SHOW.**

23. Violation of any rule (including unsportsmanlike conduct) authorizes the Williamson County Livestock Show Association to permanently bar the exhibitor and his or her family from any further participation in the Williamson County Livestock Show. Reinstatement of anyone barred may be made only by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. The exhibitor will forfeit all titles, awards, prizes, auction proceeds, and premiums if the animal and/or exhibitor is disqualified. All WCLA general rules apply.

**WILLIAMSON COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW  
COMMERCIAL BRED HEIFER SALE RULES**

1. The Williamson County Livestock Assoc. Commercial Heifer Show will sell NO MORE than 15 pens. A private treaty sale of non placing heifers must go through WCLA.
2. Each exhibitor is allowed to have one sale lot in the Williamson County Livestock show commercial heifer sale.  
  
Each participant in the Commercial Heifer Sale will be required to give a short "Sales Talk" just before their heifers are sold.
3. In order to comply with the national Beef Check-Off program, the current fee of \$2.00/head will be deducted from the sale of each heifer.
4. A 6% commission will be charged to each lot in the commercial heifer sale. Any donations made during the commercial heifer sale will become part of the sale price and be subject to 6% commission.
5. All heifers making the sale will be sold and become property of the buyer and will remain sold. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to make arrangements with the buyer on delivery of the heifers. Delivery of heifers must happen within 7 days of the sale. Any injury prior to delivery is the responsibility of the exhibitor.
6. All heifers must be out of the barn by 10:00pm the day of the sale.
7. **Stamped, sealed**, addressed Thank You notes to buyers must be **RECEIVED BY** the WCLA, PO BOX 530, Georgetown, Tx 78627 no later than January 6, 2027. Failure to do so will Result in a \$100.00 deduction from exhibitors' check.

Exhibitor must present release to commercial heifer superintendent before loading heifers.

**THERE WILL BE NO LOADING OUT COMMERCIAL HEIFERS BEFORE THE CONCLUSION OF THE COMMERCIAL BRED HEIFER SALE.**

ALL DATES AND TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Williamson County Livestock Show  
P.O. Box 530  
Georgetown, Tx 78627

FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

Commercial Heifer Committee:

Daniel Knippa (512) 844-0208

Dustin Davidson (512) 639-0556

