2016 SAN ANTONIO STOCK SHOW AND RODEO, HOUSTON LIVESTOCK SHOW AND RODEO

AND

RODEO AUSTIN

YOUTH MARKET BROILER DIVISIONS

RULES AND ORDERING PROCEDURES

Please read carefully before ordering

ORDER FORMS CAN BE FOUND AT THE END OF THIS DOCUMENT

<u>FORM #1</u> – for San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo (SASSR) broilers ONLY <u>FORM #2</u> – for Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo (HLSR) and Rodeo Austin (RA) broilers ONLY (a set of broilers purchased on Form #2 is eligible for both HLSR and RA)

Only broilers purchased through the Department of Poultry Science, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are eligible to compete in the SASSR, HLSR and RA youth market broiler shows. Order forms must be mailed to the Department of Poultry Science.

ORDER DEADLINE: All orders must be postmarked by October 15, 2015.

IMPORTANT! Ordering broilers from the Department of Poultry Science does not constitute entry into any of the shows. The rules herein apply only to the ordering, pick-up and validation of broilers for the shows. Please contact the Livestock Office of each show for information regarding show entry fees or specific questions about the show itself:

HLSR

P.O. Box 20070

Houston, TX 77225-0070

Phone: 832.667.1000

Web: www.rodeohouston.com

SASSR

P.O. Box 200230

San Antonio, TX 78220-0230

Phone: 210.225.0575

Web: <u>www.sarodeo.com</u>

Rodeo Austin

9100 Decker Lane

Austin, TX 78724

Phone: 512.919.3000

Web: www.rodeoaustin.com

I. Broiler chicks

- a. Broilers delivered for these shows will be straight-run commercial type broilers. These are
 U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid (PT) clean birds. They should be raised away from other farm fowl, especially older birds.
- b. The order from will serve as your official Pullorum-Typhoid-03 papers; you will not be required to submit any other health papers on these birds at the show.
- c. If you are showing the birds at any other local show, you need to submit a PT-03 paper to J.C. Essler at the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory, Drawer 3040, College Station, TX 77841.

II. Chick identification

- a. Each exhibitor's order will be identified by a series of numbered wing bands. Chicks are assigned to each exhibitor by these numbers. Exhibitors are NOT allowed to share birds from their order when selecting birds to bring to the shows. Each exhibitor may enter birds at the show from their assigned set of wing band numbers ONLY.
- b. Broilers losing their wing bands, for whatever reason, will not be allowed to enter the show. Birds with wing bands that show evidence of tampering will be sifted, and the decision of the show official is final.
- c. The superintendents of the Youth Market Broiler Divisions will instruct broiler sifters and judges to disregard wing bruising and damage caused by a wing band.
- d. Show officials reserve the right to collect tissue and/or blood samples at the show to verify entries.
- e. **The HLSR, SASSR and RA are terminal shows.** All broilers entering the show grounds will become the property of the shows.

III. Ordering

a. Only practicing Texas Agricultural Science Teachers and Texas A&M AgriLife County Extension Agents may place an order. Only one FORM #1 and one FORM #2 per county 4-H or FFA chapter should be submitted with all exhibitors for that organization listed. Please provide a current phone number for each exhibitor.

- b. Agricultural Science Teachers and County Extension Agents from the same county may combine their orders so long as the order total does not exceed 375 birds per form. Each exhibitor ordering chicks must be listed on the form according to 4-H or FFA chapter name.
- c. Orders will be assigned a reference number upon receipt. This number will determine the order of hand-out on the pick-up day. Only minor changes will be allowed once an order is received, otherwise the earlier reference number will be forfeited and a later reference number will be assigned. The Department of Poultry Science will send an order confirmation to the teacher or county agent within 10 working days of receipt.
- d. Once an order is received and processed, it cannot be cancelled for a refund.
- e. The minimum order per exhibitor is 25 birds, with a maximum of 75 birds, in increments of 25. Therefore, each exhibitor may order 25, 50 or 75 birds.
- f. Chicks for county shows may be ordered at the same time on each form (Note: each form corresponds to a different pick-up date). Birds purchased for county shows should be listed last on the order form and indicated by "County Show Only" in the exhibitor name column. These birds are NOT eligible to show in the HLSR, SASSR or RA. Substitution of "County Show Only" birds for the major livestock shows will not be allowed.

IV. Cost and payment information

- a. The price of chicks is \$1.25 per bird.
- b. Payment in full for all chicks ordered must accompany the order forms.
- c. Payment MUST be in the form of a SINGLE county, chapter or school check or a money order. If Form #1 and Form #2 are submitted at the same time, a single check for each form may be submitted, or a single check for the total of the 2 forms may be submitted. NO PERSONAL CHECKS OR CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED. Orders will NOT be processed and assigned a reference number until the correct forms and amount of payment is received.
- d. Please make checks or money orders payable to: BROILER SHOW FUND

e. All orders must be mailed to:

Dr. Craig Coufal
Attn: Livestock Show Interns
Poultry Science Department
Texas A&M University
107 Kleberg Center; 2472 TAMU
College Station, TX 77843-2472

V. Chick pick-up information

- a. San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo All chicks must be picked up at the Poultry Science Research Center on FM 2818 in College Station by 5:00 pm on January 13, 2016. All birds not picked up by 5:00 pm will become the property of the Texas A&M University Department of Poultry Science.
- b. Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and Rodeo Austin All chicks must be picked up at the Louis Pearce Pavilion on George Bush Avenue in College Station by 5:00 pm on January 27, 2016. All birds not picked up by 5:00 pm will become the property of the Texas A&M University Department of Poultry Science.
- c. Chicks will be distributed **beginning at 1:00 pm** on each day according to the reference number assigned to an order upon receipt.
- d. Chicks can only be picked up by the agricultural science teacher or county agent who placed the order and must present a photo I.D. on the day of pick-up.
- e. If a person other than the agent or teacher who placed the order is to pick-up the birds, that person must present a **letter of authorization** on official school or county letterhead at the time of pick-up. Do NOT send letters of authorization to the Department of Poultry Science. Photo I.D. must be presented by the person substituting for the agent or teacher.
- f. The person picking up the birds is responsible for checking the birds for wing bands and/or condition at the time of pick-up. Replacement birds will be provided if birds are found to be injured, deformed, dead or improperly wing banded. Birds will **NOT** be replaced for any other reason.
- g. Teachers or county agents will receive a printout of the assigned wing band numbers for each exhibitor at the time of pick-up. The proper distribution of the birds among exhibitors is the responsibility of the teacher or county agent. Please confirm wing band numbers upon arrival at the county level.

VI. Eligibility

- a. Only actual Texas 4-H and FFA members are eligible to compete in the Youth Market Broiler Division of the HLSR, SASSR and RA.
- b. Exhibitors must **pay entry fees directly to the HLSR, SASSR or RA** (fees other than the cost of chicks). DO NOT send entry fees to the Department of Poultry Science.
- c. Any eligibility questions for the Youth Market Broiler shows should be directed to the Livestock Office of the appropriate show (see page 1 for contact information).

VII. Miscellaneous

- a. If an exhibitor changes schools or moves to a different 4-H or FFA chapter after ordering broilers, they may show their broilers under the new chapter provided we receive a letter advising us of the change.
- b. The threat of avian influenza and other reportable diseases continues to be of serious concern to poultry in Texas. Monitoring programs are in place on a continuous basis. Any requirements for testing, limitations on the movement of poultry or other activities related to this or similar matters will be handled under the authority of show officials and/or the Texas Animal Health Commission.
- c. For clarification of any part of these Rules and Procedures, please call Dr. Craig Coufal , Ms. Katie Burt, or Ms. Katie Cernosek in the Department of Poultry Science's AgriLife Extension office at 979-845-4318 or 979-845-4319, or send an email to katie.burt@ag.tamu.edu or katie.cernosek@ag.tamu.edu .