



General Rules: Applied to All Exhibitors and Cattle

Exhibitor Eligibility

- Standard Herefords: Exhibitors must be 7 to 21 years old as of January 1, 2025.
- Miniature Herefords: Exhibitors must be 3 to 21 years old as of January 1, 2025.
- Open Show participation must meet AHA requirements.

Animal Eligibility

- All cattle must be fully registered with the American Hereford Association (AHA).
- Tattoos must be legible and match registration certificates exactly.
- Pending or applied-for registrations are not allowed.

Ownership Requirements

- Animals must be owned by the exhibitor/ranch name.
- Cow/Calf pairs may be co-owned under a family/joint membership.

Health Requirements

- Texas Origin Cattle
 - Certificate of Veterinary Inspection issued within the past thirty (30) days.
- Out of State Cattle
 - Certificate of Veterinary Inspection issued within thirty (30) days of entry into Texas and/or Show Grounds.
 - Must have approved identification for cattle; official breed registry tattoos or firebrands or USDA approved tags.
 - Contact Texas Animal Health Commission for more information.
 - Breeding bulls more than twelve (12) months of age must be tested negative for trichomoniasis with an official Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test within thirty (30) days of entry into Texas and/or show grounds, or have a Prior Entry Permit.

Tattoo Requirements

- All animals must have legible tattoos that match their AHA registration certificate.
- Illegible, altered, or missing tattoos = ineligible to compete.



Divisions & Classes

- Horned and Polled Hereford females and bulls will be shown in separate divisions.
- Classes will follow AHA national guidelines and will be divided after check-in.
- Horned and Polled Cow/Calf pairs will be shown together.
- Steers will be classed by weight.
- Steers will be broken into classes based on weight after weigh-in.
- Management reserves the right to split or combine classes as needed.
- Management reserves the right to combine Horned and Polled classes into one show if deemed necessary.

Special Rules

- Cow/Calf Pairs
 - Both cow and calf must be registered with the AHA in the exhibitor's name.
 - Calf must be the cow's natural calf and no more than 270 days old as of show day.
 - Calves may be shown separately in their respective class with an additional entry fee.
 - Nurse cows are not allowed in stalls or on grounds.
- Mini Herefords
 - No assistance allowed in the ring with the exception of Pre-Junior and approved disability.
 - All animals will be measured at check-in
 - Measurements will follow MHBA, MHYF rules for management.
 - Heifers & Cows: Max 45" at the hip.
 - Bulls & Steers: Max 48" at hip.
 - Animals over the height limit are ineligible.

Showmanship

- Showmanship will be judged during the Junior heifer and steer shows in both the Mini and Standard shows.
- There will be one champion in each show.
- Will follow TJHA/TJPHA rules.



Facility Rules

- All bedding must be purchased from the Taylor County Expo Center.
- Nothing may be affixed to barn walls in any way.

Liability

- Exhibitors participate at their own risk.
- Texas Hereford Winter Classic and its affiliates are not responsible for any injuries or losses.