

General Entry Rules & Regulations



These regulations apply specifically to the general program entry. Youth participants will follow the Youth Entry Rules & Regulations.

1. Calf Qualification
 - a. A minimum entry of 5 mixed-sex or 3 same-sex calves. There is no maximum entry.
 - b. No bulls, stags or pregnant females allowed.
 - c. Weaned, vaccinated, and documented according to the **Health Protocol and Verification Document**.
 - d. Cattle must weigh 500 to 800 pounds at delivery.
 - e. No more than 3/8 Brahman influence.
2. Enrollment Processing
 - a. A \$5/calf processing fee (non-refundable) at time of enrollment payable to the local county Extension office.
 - i. All entries and checks are submitted through the local county Extension office.
 - ii. The local county Extension agent will forward entries to Shane Gadberry at the Little Rock State Office, including a copy of the processing fee check.
 1. Following entry deadline, entries will be submitted to Tri-county steer carcass futurity (TCSCF).
3. Animal Identification
 - a. EID tags will be provided following enrollment and must be applied prior to shipping.
 - b. At the feedyard, calves will receive feedyard lot tags.
4. Delivery
 - a. Following entry deadline, pick-up locations will be identified throughout the state. On the day of delivery, participants will be responsible for bringing cattle to the nearest pick-up location. Trucking expenses from the pick-up location to the feedyard will be handled by TCSCF and deducted from the final payment.
5. TCSCF Specific Regulations
 - a. Ownership will be transferred to TCSCF for \$5 per steer or heifer. All ownership rights are thus conveyed to, and steers/heifers become the property of TCSCF. This eliminates the need for a feed deposit. Death will be a loss to TCSCF and the former owner.
 - b. Steers/heifers will be fed a warm-up ration for 28 days. They will be weighed on test at the end of warm-up. Steers/heifers will be placed on approximately 80% concentrate ration as soon as possible.
 - c. Steers/heifers will be weighed individually at least 4 times: upon delivery, start of test period, time of re-implant, and prior to harvest.
 - d. Steers/heifers will be harvested on at least two different dates five weeks apart, determined by the TCSCF Board.
 - e. The TCSCF Board reserves the right to disqualify any animal at any time if a problem arises with a steer/heifer entered in the program. Animals may be sold or returned to original owner upon reimbursement for expenses.

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