

Texas Hill Country Dorper Association Show and Sale

Sept. 5, 6, & 7, 2019

Gillespie County Fair Grounds

Fredericksburg, Texas

Show Rules:

1. Entry deadline is August 24, 2019. No entries will be accepted after this date.
2. The entry fee for each single entry is \$20.00 per head. A pen of three will be \$10.00 per head or \$30.00 for the pen.
3. Shavings will be available for a per bag fee.
4. All consignors must be a member of the THCDA to enter sheep. Consignors who are not current members of the THCDA must become members of the THCDA prior to the deadline to enter the Show (see <https://www.thcdorperassociation.com/join-thcda>). All consignors must also be members of the ADSBS.
5. Sheep must arrive no later than 5 pm Thursday Sept 5, 2019
6. The pens of three lots will show Friday Sept 6, 2019, following the Haltered show which will start at 2 pm Friday.
7. The following documents will be presented to the sale secretary at check in:
 - a. ADSBS registration for each sheep,
 - b. A veterinary health certificate no older than 30 days (if multiple sheep listed on the health certificate, one photo copy for each sheep, attached to the registration, must be provided
 - c. Consignors must specify "haltered" or "pen of three" on each registration presented.
8. All sheep must have a scrapie tag and the Animal ID must match the registration papers provided.
9. All sheep will be paint branded with their respective lot numbers. An "X" will be paint branded if the sheep is a percentage.

10. All sheep must be shorn within two weeks of the show.
11. Substitutions within sex will be allowed after the closing date. Substituted sheep will be given new lot numbers to reduce confusion, but will not be included in the catalog.
12. Entries are limited to ten (10) total lots per Consignor with no more than fourteen (14) head if entering one breed or fifteen (15) head being entered per farm if entering both breeds. One (1) pen of three is equal to one lot. (if additional numbers are needed to have a viable sale, this rule can / will be suspended on the President's call)
13. Consignors will be limited to a maximum of (2) pens of three within one breed
14. A consignor may enter two (2) rams without entering ewes. The consignor's third ram and each ram thereafter require the consignor to enter two (2) ewe lots per ram entered. For example:

Rams Number of Ewe Lots required (1 lot per pen of three)

2	-	0
3	-	2
4	-	4
5	-	6

15. There will be no unaltered class this year.
16. Haltered sheep will be only Purebred or Fullblood Dorpers, as designated on their registration.
17. The pen of three class is a group of three (3) ewes shown/sold together and can each be 75% Dorper or greater, Purebred, or Fullblood. Pens of three sheep will be penned in the same area for ease of judging and moving to and from the sale ring. The judge's placing will determine sale order. Pens of three will be shown in one class according to breed.
18. Classes will be divided by age shown on registration papers and consist of :
 - a. Yearling Rams (older) (Sept 1, 2017 – Feb. 28, 2018)
 - b. Yearling Rams (younger) (Mar 1, 2018 – Aug 30, 2018)

- c. Fall Rams (Sept 1, 2018 – Dec. 31, 2018)
- d. Spring Rams (Jan 1, 2019 and later)
- e. Yearling Ewes (older) (Sept 1, 2017 – Feb. 28, 2018)
- f. Yearling Ewes (younger) (Mar 1, 2018 – Aug 30, 2018)
- g. Fall Ewes (Sept 1, 2018 – Dec. 31, 2018)
- h. Spring Ewes (Jan 1, 2019 and later)

19. White Dorpers and Dorpers will show separately, with one breed following the other in each gender group. Example is all Dorper Rams show followed by all White Dorper Rams followed by Dorper ewes, followed by White Dorper Ewes.

20. A third party sifter will assess all sheep prior to paint branding and will remove sheep from the Show and Sale, if needed, which do not meet quality type standards. The sifter's decision will be final. The judge will also identify major cull faults in the animals during the show. That animal will not be placed and will not be allowed to sell. No refund of fees will be given for sifted sheep. The sifting will be done according to the Dorper Standards outlined in the South African Dorpers into the New Century publication. Considerations for sifting include but are not limited to :

- a. Unsound feet and legs (crippled, coon footed, sickle hocked)
- b. Unsound mouth (overbite, underbite)
- c. Unsound reproductive organs
- d. Poor breed character, health, or confirmation fault.
- e. Any sheep judged to not represent Stud or Select quality of the Dorper and White Dorper Breed (according to Breed Standards).

The tentative show order will be:

- 1. Yearling White Dorper Rams (older)
- 2. Yearling White Dorper Rams

3. Fall White Dorper Rams
4. Spring White Dorper Rams
5. Yearling Dorper Rams (older)
6. Yearling Dorper Rams
7. Fall Dorper Rams
8. Spring Dorper Rams
9. Yearling White Dorper Ewes (older)
10. Yearling White Dorper Ewes (younger)
11. Fall White Dorper Ewes
12. Spring White Dorper Ewes
13. Yearling Dorper Ewes (older)
14. Yearling Dorper Ewes (younger)
15. Fall Dorper Ewes
16. Spring Dorper Ewes