La Paz County Fair Carcass Class Requirements

Evaluator: Mike’s Southwest Processing

USDA Meat Specifications

Beef

Minimum live weight-1,000 pounds

Minimum carcass weight-600 pounds

Maximum carcass weight- 900 pounds

Minimum quality grade- Select

Minimum yield grade-4 (4 being the most fat)

1.6 inches of rib eye area per 100 pounds carcass weight

Swine

Minimum live weight-225 pounds

Minimum live weight-300 pounds

Minimum carcass weight-150 pounds

Minimum back fat .5 inches

Yield/cutability grade minimum 58%

Color score- 2, 3 or 4 only

Marbling score 1,2,3,4 or 5

Lamb

Minimum live weight-80 pounds

Maximum live weight-125 pounds

Minimum carcass weight- 50 pounds

Carcass quality grade minimum low choice

Yield grade 49% or up

Goats

Minimum live weight- 60 pounds

Maximum live weight- 125 pounds

Minimum carcass weight- 35 pounds

Yield grade 55% or up