

DEPARTMENT 4 BEEF & PROSPECT BEEF

BEEF

*Wednesday, August 12, 2009, 2:00 p.m.
in the Livestock Arena
Superintendents- Larry & Karen Murdock (989) 864-3340*

All professional and excessive adult help will lead to disqualification.

FAIR EXHIBIT REQUIREMENTS FOR STEERS

Beef may be brought in Sunday, August 9, 2009 from 4:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.

1. No steers will be shown in more than one class. Club Herd consists of three animals owned and exhibited by three different club members.
2. Exhibitors may tag and weigh-in up to 3 beef animals on January 31, 2009. However each exhibitor selects only one beef to bring to the Fair.
3. Rate of gain was to be weighed-in by January 31, 2009.
4. Rate of gain to be posted for each steer showing beginning weight, ending weight and rate of gain.
5. Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning their stalls or stalls will be red tagged according to the Livestock Cleanliness Policy under Livestock and Small Animal Requirements in the front of this book.
6. Exhibitor is responsible for animal after it is sold until official fair release time.
7. Exhibitor is required to feed and water before the official Fair release time and be released by Superintendent.
8. Market classes will be judged on basis of type, conformation and finish.
9. Use of drugs/medication must be cleared through superintendent.
10. All steers must be tagged and registered with the 4-H office by January 31, 2009. A metal tag must be in the right ear and a RFID tag in the left ear.
11. Steers and heifers must weigh a minimum of 900 lbs. to be eligible to enter the market sale. For the dairy steers the minimum weight is 1,000 lbs. to be entered in the market sale.
12. Beef animals will be weighed from 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Monday of Fair week. No beef animals will be weighed prior to 12:30 p.m.
13. Exhibitors should wear light colored shirts and dark pants while exhibiting their animals, also exhibitors should wear appropriate shoes, no tennis shoes.

14. A signed Livestock Cleanliness Policy is due to the 4-H office at the fair grounds by 5:00 p.m. on Monday of Fair week. A signed Livestock Cleanliness Policy must be turned in or the animal will not be sold.

15. A licensed veterinarian will inspect animals deemed unfit for public viewing before the animal may cross the scales.

16. Beef animals must be dehorned and castrated at least **3 months** prior to the fair.

17. ALL MARKET LIVESTOCK MUST BE OWNED BY THE EXHIBITOR.

Alternate Policy: One alternate animal per immediate family or each exhibitor is permitted for sheep, swine and prospect beef. Two alternate animals per exhibitor are permitted for beef.

Species	Maximum Number Tagged Per Exhibitor	Maximum Number Per Exhibitor to Fair
Beef	3	1
Sheep	3	2
Swine	3	2
Prospect Beef	2	1

In order for an animal to be considered homebred, it must be conceived, born, and raised on the farm of the exhibitor and parent or legal guardian. Questions concerning eligibility for homebred will be referred to the livestock superintendent for a decision.
NOTE: Be sure and read Livestock and Small Animal Requirements in the front of this Fairbook.

*AMERICAN POLLED HEREFORD ASSOCIATION
PLAQUE*

The American Polled Hereford Association will award a plaque to the exhibitor of the best Polled Hereford heifer in the Junior Division. Exhibitors must be under 21. Animal must be registered in the American Polled Hereford Assn., and recorded in ownership of the Junior Exhibitor. (Note: Family ownership accepted if provided for in the show rules.)

SECTION 11 BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

1. Anyone may enter the beef showmanship. For showmanship score card refer to 4-H Bulletin No. 545A. The project area judge will pick exhibitors according to the age divisions for the sweepstakes showmanship class. Superintendent will complete Sweepstakes form listing exhibitor's name, club name, and age division represented for each species.
2. Showmanship will be judged on general care, fitting and showmanship of the animal. There will be no restrictions on number of times a youth may win showmanship within a species.
3. Ribbons 1st- 6th in all classes except Championship classes.
4. Age determined as of January 1 of the current project year.
5. The Superintendent may adjust the class size.

6. Kevin Kerbyson Memorial Showmanship Traveling Trophy will be awarded to the 1st place each of the 5 age divisions in the showmanship. The traveling trophies are to be awarded in addition to the age division showmanship trophies.

7. The Agriculture and Livestock Section of the Michigan State Fair will offer gold ribbons to County Fairs throughout the state. A gold ribbon will be presented to the Grand Champion Showman in Beef, Dairy, Sheep, Swine, Goats, Rabbits, and Poultry at the county fair. (Only one Gold ribbon per specie.) See Section 106 for more details.

Class		A	B	C
0210	Fitting & Showmanship 16- 19 yrs	\$3	\$2	\$1
	Trophy			
0211	Showmanship 14- 15 yrs	\$3	\$2	\$1
	Trophy			
0212	Showmanship 12- 13 yrs	\$3	\$2	\$1
	Trophy			
0213	Showmanship 10- 11 yrs	\$3	\$2	\$1
	Trophy			
0214	Showmanship 9 yrs	\$3	\$2	\$1
	Trophy			
0215	Grand & Reserve Showmanship		Trophy & Rosette	

SECTION 12 BEEF BREEDING

FAIR EXHIBIT REQUIREMENTS FOR BEEF BREEDING

- All BREEDING BEEF must pre-register on an Id Sheet due at the Extension Office by July 1st, or they will not show.**
- Beef Breeding**
Raise and develop a pure bred or grade breeding heifer. Recommended purchase between April 1 and June 1. Champion Rosette will only be awarded where there are two or more animals.
- Beef Cow and Calf**
Raise and train calf from member's own cow. Calf may be raised for breeding or fattened for market or sold as a feeder calf.
- Breeding classes will be judged on the basis of type, conformation and finish.
- Ribbons 1st- 6th in all classes except Championship classes.

Angus	Beef Shorthorn	Herefords	Red Poll	Charolais	Limousin	Other Recognized Breed			
Class							A	B	C
0220	0221	0222	0223	0224	0225	0226			
Heifer calved 9-1 previous year to 4-30 given year							\$8.50	\$7.50	\$4.50
0230	0231	0232	0233	0234	0235	0236			
Heifer calved 5-1 previous year to 8-31 previous year							\$7.50	\$6.00	\$3.25
0240	0241	0242	0243	0244	0245	0246	\$7.50	\$6.00	\$3.25

Angus	Beef Shorthorn	Herefords	Red Poll	Charolais	Limousin	Other Recognized Breed			
Class							A	B	C
Heifer calved 1-1 previous year to 4-3 previous year									
0250	0251	0252	0253	0254	0255	0256			
Heifer calved 9-1 two years previous to 12-31 two years previous							\$6.25	\$4.25	\$2.00
0260	0261	0262	0263	0264	0265	0266			
Cow calved before two years previous							\$6.25	\$4.50	\$2.00
0270	0271	0272	0273	0274	0275	0276			
Champion & Reserve Champion							Rosettes		

SECTION 13 ALL BREEDS

Class		1st	2 nd	3rd
0278	Exhibitors Herd	\$10	\$8	\$7
0279	Club Herd	\$10	\$8	\$7
0280	Champion & Reserve Champion Cow- Calf		Trophy & Rosettes	
0281	Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Beef Breeding Heifer		Trophy & Rosettes	

SECTION 14 MARKET STEERS & BEEF HEIFERS

- Superintendent may adjust class size.
- Ribbons 1st- 6th place will be awarded in each class other than Champion and Reserve Champion classes.
- Steer Champion and Reserve will be selected in the light, medium, and heavyweight divisions. These six and the Grand Champion and Reserve Champion will then return to compete for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef. Buyer and exhibitor will each receive a rosette. A trophy will also be awarded to Grand & Reserve Champion.
- All exhibitors must exhibit their own project in their respective market class to be eligible to sell. Extenuating circumstances must be cleared with the superintendent prior to the start of the show.
- As an exhibitor, you must sell your own animal in the sale. If extenuating circumstances exist, alternate arrangements must be submitted to the superintendent in writing by Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

Class		A	B	C
0284	Light Lightweight Steer	\$10	\$8.50	\$7
0285	Medium Lightweight Steer	\$10	\$8.50	\$7
0286	Heavy Lightweight Steer	\$10	\$8.50	\$7
0287	Champion & Reserve Lightweight Steer		Rosettes	
0288	Light Mediumweight Steer	\$10	\$8.50	\$7
0289	Medium Mediumweight Steer	\$10	\$8.50	\$7
0290	Heavy Mediumweight Steer	\$10	\$8.50	\$7
0291	Champion & Reserve		Rosettes	

Class		A	B	C
	Mediumweight Steer			
0292	Light Heavyweight Steer	\$10	\$8.50	\$7
0293	Medium Heavyweight Steer	\$10	\$8.50	\$7
0294	Heavy Heavyweight Steer	\$10	\$8.50	\$7
0295	Champion & Reserves Heavyweight Steer		Rosettes	
0296	Dairy Steer	\$10	\$8.50	\$7
		Trophy & Rosettes		
0297	Grand & Reserve Champion Market Steer		Trophy & Rosettes	
0298	Lightweight Beef Heifer	\$10	\$8.50	\$7
0298	Mediumweight Beef Heifer	\$10	\$8.50	\$7
0300	Heavyweight Beef Heifer	\$10	\$8.50	\$7
0301	Champion & Reserve Market Beef Heifer		Trophy & Rosettes	
0302	Club Herd	\$6	\$5	\$4
0303	Champion & Reserve Champion Homebred Steer		Trophy & Rosettes	

Over The Hill Showmanship Class

		1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th -10 th
0304	Rate of Gain-Steer/Beef Heifer	\$50	\$30	\$20	\$2	\$1

Ribbons will be awarded to 1st- 10th place in Class 303. The following portion of the awards to the Rate of Gain Steer or Beef Heifer is sponsored by Murdock Farms:

1st- \$50	2nd- \$30	3rd- \$20
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PROSPECT BEEF FEEDER CALVES

Tuesday August 11, 2009, 2:00 p.m.

In the Livestock Arena

Superintendents-

May be brought in Sunday, August 9, 2009
from 4:00- 6:00 p.m.

**All professional and excessive adult help will
lead to disqualification.**

PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

**ALL prospect beef must be at the mandatory
weigh-in on May 2, 2009**

1. A prospect beef calf (feeder calf) is an immature bovine animal, usually not over seven months of age that has been raised on a diet of milk, milk replacers, grains and/or roughage.
2. As part of the calf's diet, calf may receive milk from cow (run on cow), but must be weaned by the time of fair.
3. Minimum weight is 300 lbs. All animals exceeding 700 lbs. will be sold at 700 lbs. They can still compete in weight classes but will not be eligible for Grand or Reserve Champions.
4. Weigh-in for prospect beef calves will take place from 10:00 a.m.- 12:00 noon on Monday of fair week.

5. Prospect calves will be judged at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday in the Livestock Arena.

6. A signed Livestock Cleanliness Policy is due to the 4-H office at the fair grounds by 5:00 p.m. on Monday of Fair week. A signed Livestock Cleanliness Policy must be turned in or the animal will not be sold.

7. Prospect calves may be a beef, dairy, or dairy-beef crossbred to exhibit in the show. Market classes will be divided into the following: prospect beef calf (example: Angus), prospect dairy calf (example: Holstein), or prospect dairy-beef crossbred calf (example: Holstein-Hereford).

8. Prospect beef calves are to be exhibited like a beef animal with a show stick.

9. Exhibitors are to wear a light colored shirt and dark pants when exhibiting a prospect calf. Blue jeans are acceptable. Exhibitors are to wear appropriate shoes or boots, no tennis shoes.

10. The show halter should be clean, neat, properly adjusted and in good repair.

11. Classes may be divided at the discretion of the Superintendent.

12. The exhibitor should be able to handle the prospect calf to its best advantage. This includes presentable, cleanliness of exhibitor and calf, ability to lead the calf, and keep it under control in the show ring. Inability to do so may result in a lower rating.

13. Each exhibitor is required to identify their beef calf using a metal ear tag in the right ear and an RFID tag in the left ear. One alternate may be designated and tagged. ALL prospect beef **must** be at the mandatory weigh-in on May 2, 2009. If tags are lost, call the MSU Extension Office or the Prospect Beef Superintendents for retagging. Feeder calf weigh-in will be May 2, 2009 from 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.

14. Exhibitors may show and sell only one prospect calf.

15. Implants are permitted on prospect calves.

16. Exhibitors may show a prospect calf that is a steer or heifer. Bulls are not permitted.

17. All prospect calves need to be castrated and dehorned and fully healed before the fair to be exhibited. No swelling, signs of decay, trauma, drainage, etc. allowed.

18. Ribbons 1st- 6th places will be awarded in each class.

19. Exhibitors are not permitted to show both a prospect beef and dairy veal calf.

20. Exhibitors may tag and weigh-in up to 2 prospect beef on May 2, 2009. However, each exhibitor selects only one prospect beef to bring to the Fair.

21. All calves will be checked by a licensed vet prior to weigh-in at the fair.

