

DAIRY CATTLE DIVISION

DEPARTMENT G * DAIRY CATTLE DIVISION

CHECK-IN:
Friday, July 12 / 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. / Livestock Arena

SHOW:
Friday, July 12 / Tentatively 4:00 p.m. (after Beef and Bucket Calf Shows) / Livestock Arena

REMOVAL:
Friday, July 12 / after the show concludes

Exhibitor Requirements

1. The Fremont 4-H Expo Invitational Dairy Show is open to all Nebraska 4-H and FFA youth, regardless of county membership/school enrollment.
 2. 4-H members must meet the following requirements to be eligible to exhibit;
 - A. Enrolled in their respective county 4-H program prior to the deadline date set within their county 4-H program.
 - B. Must be eight to eighteen years old on January 1 of the current year.
 - C. 4-H members must refer to the rules and regulations set within their county 4-H program.
 3. Vocational Agricultural (FFA) students must meet the following requirements to be eligible to exhibit;
 - A. Enrolled in a high school located within Nebraska.
 - B. Not older than eighteen years on January 1 of the current calendar year.
 - C. Completing a project under supervision of the vocational agriculture instructor of the school.
- To be eligible for this show the exhibit must be the result of the 4-H member's or FFA student's project since the last state fair.

ENTERING

1. No pre-registration is required.
2. ENTRY LIMIT: An exhibitor is limited to entering THREE head. If the three animals meet the 4-H Dairy Cattle Junior Herd requirements, they may also enter in the Junior Dairy Herd class.
3. Exhibitors may show in 4-H OR FFA, but cannot use the same projects in both.
4. CHECK-IN: Registration papers (certification) and the 4-H Identification Certificates (4-H Form 71) must be available for inspection and brought to the check-in table on **Friday, July 12 at 3:00 - 3:30 p.m.**
5. District Dairy Individual & Herd Entry Cards must be completed and submitted at time of check-in on **July 12 at 3:00 - 3:30 p.m.**
6. 4-H members and FFA students may pick up entry cards and information from their local Nebraska Extension Office.

Animal Rules & Regulations

OWNERSHIP/IDENTIFICATION OF ANIMALS: All dairy cattle entered must be owned/identified by the 4-H member/FFA student in compliance with their county's 4-H program Ownership Guidelines and the certificates must be on file at their county's Extension Office by the set deadline for each species.

LIVESTOCK EXHIBITION:

- A. All dairy cattle are required to be on the fairgrounds (and removed from the fairgrounds) according to the assigned times.
- B. Upon arrival, exhibitors must check in with the department superintendents before unloading their animals.
- C. Exhibitors are required to feed and care for their animals.
- D. If fans are used, they must pass inspection of the Fire Chief.

HERDSMANSHIP: The Fremont 4-H Expo Board and Extension Staff remind all animal exhibitors to keep their pens and stalls clean and presentable at all times. There are many spectators during the Fremont 4-H Expo and it is the responsibility of all exhibitors to maintain a positive image during the Expo.

CARE OF EXHIBITS: All possible care will be used to prevent loss or injury to articles or animals or exhibitors. But, it is expressly understood that the management of the Expo will in no way be responsible should loss or injury occur. Any animal deemed dangerous is subject to removal.

QUALITY ASSURANCE: Effective 2002, dairy cattle exhibitors must have completed an approved food animal quality assurance training program. Exhibitors must have received Quality Assurance Certification through a UNL Extension based program to show at the Expo. Program attendance or completion of a test in the county extension office is required. The completion of training/testing will be certified by county extension staff.

FEED & BEDDING: Exhibitors will make their own arrangements for all feeding and bedding.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS: Health Certificates are NOT required. However, animals must be in good health at the time of the Expo. The Expo officials will have owners remove animals which they consider not to be in good health, or to require the owners to provide a Health Certificate if determined necessary. All animals must be free from infectious or contagious disease, including active ringworm, visible warts or other signs of health problems. The Department Superintendent or Official Expo Veterinarian may ask owners of animals deemed unhealthy, infectious or contagious to remove them from the grounds.

Exhibiting Guidelines

DRESS CODE:

- A. Exhibitors are REQUIRED to wear a white shirt/blouse (with an official 4-H Chevron attached) or a county 4-H T-shirt or FFA T-shirt. Tank tops are NOT acceptable. NOTE: 4-H t-shirts, chevrons and armbands may be purchased at your county's Extension Office.
- B. Exhibitors are to wear dark blue jeans. NOTE: White show attire is preferred for exhibitors of dairy cattle.
- C. Hard-topped shoes are recommended.
- D. Exhibitors shall NOT wear a hat or cap in the arena.

SUBSTITUTE SHOWMAN: An animal must be shown by the exhibitor/owner who entered it. However, an exhibitor may be excused by the Department Superintendent due to serious illness, disability due to an injury (IE. Broken arm or broken leg, etc.), or has a conflict with other livestock classes in the Fremont 4-H Expo. An exhibitor who has more than one animal in a class need not secure approval for another exhibitor to show the additional animal in the class. Substitute showman must be a member exhibiting at the Expo.

SHOWMANSHIP:

- A. Exhibitors who made the entry are eligible to compete in showmanship with that animal.
- B. Exhibitors taking part in this contest will be judged on their skill as showmen, and on the appearance their animal makes before the judges.
- C. An animal used in a showmanship class must be the property of the exhibitor who entered it and must be a Fremont 4-H Expo exhibit of the exhibitor showing it.
- D. Any animal may be shown in ONLY ONE showmanship class.
- E. Refer to the specific Department for the showmanship age divisions.

Class Guidelines

GENERAL CLASS INFORMATION:

- Indicate breed on entry card:
 Ayrshire Jersey
 Brown Swiss Milking Shorthorn
 Guernsey Crossbred
 Holstein
- Registered and grades will show together.
- Animals born after April 30, 2024 are not eligible to show in individual classes, showmanship or in Dairy Herds.
- Yearlings that have calved, freshening prior to show, must be shown as Two Year Old class.
- Animals born after 8-31-2022 that have calved must be shown as two-year olds in class 9.

DAIRY HERD: Dairy Herds will be scored and awarded ribbons on the basis of the current "4-H Dairy Cattle Junior Herd Scorecard". A 4-H Dairy Cattle Junior Herd will consist of three animals that meet the following requirements:

1. All three animals have been officially identified by the same 4-H member/FFA student.
2. All three animals have been entered and exhibited (at the current show) by the same 4-H member/FFA student.
2. All three must be the same dairy breed;
3. All three animals may be grade or registered, or any combination of grade and registered; and
4. At least one of the three animals must be a cow that has freshened long enough to have a 305 day ME record in progress. NOTE: Production records will be verified at the time of check-in. See Production Award information, listed below.
5. Animals entered in the CROSSBRED classes are NOT eligible for dairy herd entries or awards.

BREED	MILK	PROTEIN
Ayrshire	17,757	568
Brown Swiss	20, 235	695
Guernsey	17,070	583
Holstein	24,909	768
Jersey	17,466	641
Milking Shorthorn	17,168	539
Crossbred	21,312	681

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- Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 15 through 18 on Jan 1)
- Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 12 through 14 on Jan 1)
- Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8 through 11 on Jan 1)

DEPARTMENT G * DAIRY CATTLE CLASSES

Class 1	<u>Spring Heifer Calves</u> (born 3-1-2024 to 4-30-2024)
Class 2	<u>Winter Heifer Calves</u> (born 12-1-2023 to 2-28-2024)
Class 3	<u>Fall Heifer Calves</u> (born 9-1-2023 to 11-30-2023)
Class 4	<u>Summer Yearling</u> (born 6-1-2023 to 8-31-2023)
Class 5	<u>Spring Yearling</u> (born 3-1-2023 to 5-31-2023)
Class 6	<u>Winter Yearling</u> (born 12-1-2022 to 2-29-2023)
Class 7	<u>Fall Yearling</u> (born 9-1-2022 to 11-30-2022)
Class 8	<u>Dry Cow (Any Age)</u>
Class 9	<u>Two Year Old</u> (born 9-1-2021 to 8-31-2022)
Class 10	<u>Three Year Old</u> (born 9-1-2020 to 8-31-2021)
Class 11	<u>Four Year Old</u> (born 9-1-2019 to 8-31-2020)
Class 12	<u>Five Year Old & Over</u> (Prior to 9-1-2019)
Class 13	<u>Junior Herd</u>