

BEEF

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISIONS 10-28, 49-52 - BEEF CATTLE DIVISION

GENERAL BEEF SHOW RULES

- A. See General Rules and General Livestock Rules and Regulations.**
- B. NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER INDIVIDUAL** - An exhibitor may show a maximum of 4 market beef animals, 4 breeding beef, 2 feeder calves, 1 bucket calf plus one, and 1 bucket calf. The cow-calf entry will count as one event in the breeding beef class. The calf will be counted as a separate entry only if it is entered as a feeder calf. Showmanship and Group of Three classes do not count as an entry.
- C. All Purebred (registered) animals must have a copy of their breed Registration Paper** submitted to the Extension Office by **June 15th** in order to exhibit in a purebred class.
- D. GROOMING OF ANIMALS:** the entire Nemaha County **4-H Beef Show will be Blow and Go**; animals are clipped, blown and brushed or combed to enhance their appearance. All animals will be shown free of any adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products. All beef will be subject to visual inspection and/or toweling for the presence of these products.
- E. IDENTIFICATION**
- Market Beef** - Market beef competing in rate of gain must be weighed on Weigh-in Day and tagged with the official 4-H ear tag for county fair or EID tag for state fair. **Weigh-In is not required unless you want to participate in the rate of gain contest.** (British breed steers must be owned by the exhibitor, be identified by a legible ear tattoo, recorded on ownership affidavit by June 15. See State Fair Book for more breed specific ID rules for SF.) All identification of market beef must be documented on an Identification/Ownership Affidavit and submitted to the Extension Office. (4-Hers and parents must sign the DNA envelopes before they are sent to Aksarben.) At State level heifers may be nominated as both market and breeding but can only enter as one or the other during entry.
- Breeding Beef** – All registered breeding heifers must have a tattoo. Commercial heifers must have a tattoo or official 4-H ear tag for county fair or EID tag for state fair. (Any heifer not having a legible tattoo or that shows evidence of a fresh or recent tattoo, will be disqualified from the show. A calf-hood vaccination tattoo is not considered an official identification tattoo. Only breeding heifers recognized as registered and eligible to show by their respective state Breed Associations will be allowed to compete in the breed classes. Commercial breeding heifers must have a known birth date.) All heifers must be identified on an Identification/Ownership Affidavit submitted to the Extension Office by **June 15th**. At county level heifers must be identified as either market or breeding beef; they cannot show in both classes. **Breeding Beef going to State Fair or Aksarben must complete the online breeding heifer nomination entry submitted through Show Stock Manager by June 15th. Contact the Extension office for instructions.**
- State Fair & Aksarben Requirements:** Any market beef, breeding beef and feeder calves eligible to be exhibited at State Fair and/or Aksarben must **have DNA collected and tagged with an official USDA EID tag. Animal nomination and payment must be submitted online via Show Stock Manager livestock database by June 15th. Contact the Extension office for instructions.**
- Bucket Calf/Bucket Calf Plus One/Feeder Calf** - All bucket, bucket plus one, and feeder calves must be tagged with an official 4-H ear tag and identification documented on an Identification/Ownership Affidavit submitted to the Extension Office on June 15.
- F. PRE-ENTRY** - All beef exhibits, including showmanship, to be eligible to show at the county fair must be pre-entered on a GREEN Entry Sheet (available at the Extension Office or online) OR entered online at <https://nemaha.fairwire.com>. Entries are due by **June 15th**.
- G. BUCKET CALF/BUCKET CALF PLUS ONE RULES**
- See General Rules and General Livestock Rules and Regulations.**
 - A bucket calf is an orphan beef calf (male or female) bottle fed or bucket fed, born between January 1st and May 31st of the current year.
 - A bucket calf plus one animal is an animal that was shown as a 4-H bucket calf by the exhibitor the previous year at the Nemaha County Fair, that will not show as a market or breeding animal. Bucket calf plus one animals can not show as market or breeding animals, and are not eligible for the premium sale.
 - Bucket calf plus one animals **do not** need to be weighed at pre-fair weigh-in **and are not eligible for if they are participating** in the rate of gain competition.
 - A Division Champion and Reserve Champion bucket calf will be selected. A Division Champion and Reserve Champion bucket calf plus one calf will be selected.
 - A copy of the breed registration papers must be on file at the Extension Office by June 15 for registered animals.
- H. FEEDER CALF RULES**
- See General Rules and General Livestock Rules and Regulations.**

2. Feeder calves are any calf currently nursing on the mother or weaned and on feed to fatten. Unweaned calves may be brought to the fairgrounds and taken home on the day of the show if not accompanied by its mother. Calves are born between August 1 of the previous year and May 31 of the current year.
3. A Division Champion and Reserve Champion calf will be selected.
4. A copy of the official breed registration papers must be on file at the Extension Office by June 15 for registered animals.

I. BREEDING BEEF RULES

1. **See General Rules and General Livestock Rules and Regulations.**
2. **Any heifer** required to have a legible tattoo, that does not, or that shows evidence of a fresh or recent tattoo will be disqualified from the show.
State Fair / Ak-Sar-Ben Only: All breeding heifer exhibitors must complete the online breeding heifer nomination entry submitted through official online database by June 15.
3. **COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK** - Commercial breeding heifers must be identified with a legible ear tattoo OR an EID tag and be recorded on an Identification/Ownership Affidavit form by June 15 of the current year.
4. **REGISTRATION OF LIVESTOCK** –To be eligible to show in a registered class a breeding animal must be owned by the exhibitor and be recorded on an Identification/Ownership Affidavit by June 15 of the current year and be identified with a legible ear tattoo that corresponds with the registration papers. A copy of the official breed registration papers must be on file at the Extension Office by June 15. Breeding heifers must be recognized as registered and eligible to show by their respective breed associations to show in the registered classes.
 - a. Angus Heifers- Must be registered in the American Angus Association.
 - b. Charolais Heifers- Must have an American-International Charolais Association (AICA) registration certificate and must be 100% purebred Charolais.
 - c. Composite Charolais Heifers- These heifers must have an AICA Charolais-Cross Record and must be at least ½ blood or more Charolais influence, i.e. be sired by a registered purebred Charolais bull or be out of a registered purebred Charolais female.
 - d. Chianina Heifers- Must be registered in the American Chianina Association. Includes Chiangus, Chianina, Chiford, or Chimaine.
 - e. Gelbvieh Heifers- Must be registered in the American Gelbvieh Association.
 - f. Balancer Heifers- Must registered with the American Gelbvieh Association and be 25-70% Gelbvieh and 30-75% Red Angus or Angus.
 - g. Hereford and Polled Hereford Heifers- Must be registered with the American Hereford Association. Miniature Hereford heifers are not acceptable and should enter in the AOB division.
 - h. Limousin Heifers- Must be registered with the North American Limousin Foundation.
 - i. LimFlex Heifers- Must be registered with the North American Limousin Foundation and must be 25-75% Limousin and 25-75% Red Angus or Angus.
 - j. Maine Anjou Heifers- Must be registered with the American Maine-Anjou Association and must be ¾ blood and above. Chimaine are not accepted.
 - k. Maintainer Heifers- Must be registered with the American Maine-Anjou Association and be 1/4 to 5/8 blood Maine-Anjou.
 - l. Red Angus Heifers- Must be registered with the Red Angus Association of America.
 - m. Shorthorn Heifers – Must be registered with the American Shorthorn Association and must be 15/16 registered purebreds.
 - n. Shorthorn Plus Heifers- Must be registered with the American Shorthorn Association and must be 1/4 blood and up to and including 7/8 blood Shorthorn.
 - o. Simmental Heifers- Must be registered with the American Simmental Association and must be 75.1% or higher.
 - p. Foundation Simmental Heifers- Must be registered with the American Simmental Association and must be 50-75% Simmental.
 - q. All Other Breeds (AOB) Heifers- The AOB division may include registered heifers for which a separate division is not listed, but which meet their state breed associations' criteria for exhibition, or registered heifers with registration papers not meeting the state's breed association requirements listed above. Heifers entered in the AOB class must have appropriate registration papers.
5. Crossbred and grade breeding heifers will be shown in the commercial heifer class and registered heifers will be shown in the registered heifer classes.
6. A champion and reserve champion of each registered breed and a champion and reserve champion commercial breeding heifer will be selected. A Supreme Champion will be selected from these division champions. First and second purple places from each division will be eligible to compete. Aged cows, cow/calf pairs and the stocker feeder female champions are not eligible in this selection.
7. **Each breed of purebred heifers will show separately regardless of number of entries within their**

breed. Classes will be established for any breed when those heifers meet the registration requirements of their respective breed associations.

8. Classes of the same breed with less than 5 entries may be combined into groups of at least 5 head at the discretion of the superintendent.
9. Breeding females will be shown from youngest to oldest for the complete breed. Breeds will be shown in alphabetical order beginning with Angus.

J. MARKET BEEF RULES

1. **See General Rules and General Livestock Rules and Regulations.**
2. Market Heifers are not to be bred. Market Heifers may be subject to pregnancy checks at an announced time prior to the Beef Show. Any heifer found to be bred will not be eligible to show in market classes.
3. All market beef are required to be born on or after September 30, 2021.
4. **WEIGHT REQUIREMENT**
 - a. Market Steers weighing under 1000 lbs. will show in an underweight class and are not eligible for premium sale.
 - b. Market Heifers weighing under 900 lbs. will show in an underweight class and are not eligible for premium sale.(State Fair Weight Requirements are the same as above.)
5. **SELECTION OF GRAND AND RESERVE CHAMPIONS** - A grand and reserve champion will be selected from the market heifer division, British breed steer division and crossbred steer division. The British breed division will be subdivided into Angus, Hereford and Shorthorn steer classes. First and second purple / blue places from each class will compete for champion and reserve champion of the division. An over-all grand champion and reserve champion market animal will be selected from the division champions.
6. **REGISTRATION OF MARKET LIVESTOCK** – To be eligible to show in the registered steer or heifer class the market animal must be owned by the exhibitor, be identified by a legible ear tattoo, recorded on ownership affidavit/Identification form by June 15 of the current year and be registered by the official breed association. A copy of the official breed registration papers must be on file at the Extension Office by June 15. Any breed steer or heifer not having a legible tattoo, or shows evidence of a fresh or recent tattoo, will not be allowed to show in the registered classes, but may be allowed to show in the crossbred classes. Appendix Shorthorn / Shorthorn Plus steers will not be allowed to show in the purebred Shorthorn steer class.
7. Classes with less than 5 entries may be combined into groups of at least 5 head at the discretion of the superintendent.

K. RATE OF GAIN CONTEST RULES

1. Premiums will be paid on only the first five places in each class.
2. Only market beef animals that went through Weigh-in day are eligible. Bucket Calf Plus Ones are not eligible if they went through weigh in day.
3. The average daily gain will be determined using the weigh-in weight plus date and the County Fair weight plus date, calculating weight gained between weigh-in and county fair weigh-in divided by number of days between the two.
4. Final Rate of Gain results will not be given out until after at the end of the Beef Show.

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISION 49 - BUCKET CALF PROJECT

Division 49 Classes 910 - 930

Pay Category F

GENERAL BUCKET CALF RULES

- A. **See General Rules and General Livestock Rules and Regulations.**
- B. **NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR** - An exhibitor may show only one bucket calf. Calves shown in the bucket calf class will not be allowed to show in any other classes during the current fair. This includes the showmanship classes except Bucket Calf Plus One. The show will be divided based on the 4-Hers age on January 1st of the current year.
- C. **IDENTIFICATION** – Identification of bucket calves must be documented on an Identification/Ownership Affidavit Form and submitted to the Extension Office by June 15th.
- D. **PRE-ENTRY** – All bucket calf exhibits, to be eligible to show at the County Fair must be pre-entered on a GREEN Entry Sheet available at the Extension Office due by June 15th.
- E. **BUCKET CALF** is an orphan calf, male or female, bottle or bucket fed, and born between January 1st and May 31st of the current year.
- C. **RECORD BOOKS** - Bucket Calf Record Books must be given to the Bucket Calf superintendent or an Extension staff member at check-in. The judge will evaluate completed records before the show begins.
- D. **SCORECARD** - (Dairy and beef quality of the calf will not be considered.)

Evaluation of the completed record.....	35%
Evaluation of member's knowledge by interview.....	35%

General health & well-being 15%
Showmanship & fitting.....15%

E. A show stick is not to be used in showing the 1st year the bucket calf show. Second year bucket calves may use a show stick.

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISION 49 - BUCKET CALF SHOW

Division 49 Classes 910-930

Pay Category F

- CLASS 910** Bucket Calf - Senior Division (14 -18 years of age)
- CLASS 920** Bucket Calf - Intermediate Division (11 - 13 years of age)
- CLASS 930** Bucket Calf - Junior Division (8 - 10 years of age)

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISION 10 - BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

Division 10 Classes 910 - 930

Pay Category J

- CLASS 910** Senior Division - 14-18 years of age
- CLASS 920** Intermediate Division - 11-13 years of age
- CLASS 930** Junior Division - 8-10 years of age

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISION 52 – BUCKET CALF PLUS ONE

Division 52 Classes 901-902

Pay Category E

- CLASS 901** Bucket Calf Plus One Steers
- CLASS 902** Bucket Calf Plus One Heifers

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISION 50 – FEEDER CALVES

Division 50 Classes 901-918

Pay Category F

BRITISH BREEDS

- CLASS 901** Bull Calf (Aug-Dec 31 previous year)
- CLASS 902** Steer Calf (Aug-Dec 31 previous year)
- CLASS 903** Heifer Calf (Aug-Dec 31 previous year)
- CLASS 904** Bull Calf (Jan-Mar 15 current year)
- CLASS 905** Steer Calf (Jan-Mar 15 current year)
- CLASS 906** Heifer Calf (Jan-Mar 15 current year)
- CLASS 907** Bull Calf (Mar 16-May 31 current year)
- CLASS 908** Steer Calf (Mar 16-May 31 current year)
- CLASS 909** Heifer Calf (Mar 16-May 31 current year)

CROSSBREDS

- CLASS 910** Bull Calf (Aug-Dec 31 previous year)
- CLASS 911** Steer Calf (Aug-Dec 31 previous year)
- CLASS 912** Heifer Calf (Aug-Dec 31 previous year)
- CLASS 913** Bull Calf (Jan-Mar 15 current year)
- CLASS 914** Steer Calf (Jan-Mar 15 current year)
- CLASS 915** Heifer Calf (Jan-Mar 15 current year)
- CLASS 916** Bull Calf (Mar 16-May 31 current year)
- CLASS 917** Steer Calf (Mar 16-May 31 current year)
- CLASS 918** Heifer Calf (Mar 16-May 31 current year)

NON-BRITISH PUREBREDS

- CLASS 919** Bull Calf (Aug-Dec 31 previous year)
- CLASS 920** Steer Calf (Aug-Dec 31 previous year)
- CLASS 921** Heifer Calf (Aug-Dec 31 previous year)
- CLASS 922** Bull Calf (Jan-Mar 15 current year)
- CLASS 923** Steer Calf (Jan-Mar 15 current year)
- CLASS 924** Heifer Calf (Jan-Mar 15 current year)
- CLASS 925** Bull Calf (Mar 16-May 31 current year)
- CLASS 926** Steer Calf (Mar 16-May 31 current year)
- CLASS 927** Heifer Calf (Mar 16-May 31 current year)

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISIONS 12-14, 16-19, 21-26 - BEEF BREEDING HEIFERS

Divisions 12-14, 16-24, 26-27 Classes 909 - 990

Pay Category E

- DIVISION 12** Angus Heifers
- DIVISION 13** Charolais Heifers
- DIVISION 14** Chianina Heifers
- DIVISION 16** Gelbvieh Heifers
- DIVISION 17** Hereford & Polled Hereford Heifers
- DIVISION 18** Limousin Heifers
- DIVISION 19** Maine Anjou Heifers
- DIVISION 20** Red Angus Heifers
- DIVISION 21** Shorthorn Heifers
- DIVISION 22** Simmental Heifers
- DIVISION 23** All Other Breeds (AOB)
- DIVISION 26** Commercial Heifers

BREEDING HEIFER CLASSES

- CLASS 904** Senior Yearling Heifers - Calved August through December 202¹ (should be bred but not calved prior to show)
- CLASS 910** Junior Yearling Heifers - Calved January and February 202²
- CLASS 920** Spring Yearling Heifers - Calved March and April 202²
- CLASS 930** Summer or Intermediate Summer or Intermediate Yearling Heifers - Calved May and June 202²
- CLASS 940** Summer or Intermediate Summer or Intermediate Yearling Heifers - Calved July and August 202²
- CLASS 950** Fall Heifer Calves - Calved September and October 202²
- CLASS 960** Fall Heifer Calves - Calved November and December 202²
- CLASS 970** Junior Breeding Heifer – Calved January-April 202³

COW-CALF & AGED COW CLASSES

- CLASS 980** Cow-Calf
- CLASS 990** Aged Cow, Born on or before July 1, two years ago

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISION 11 - MARKET BEEF

Division 11 Classes 920 - 986, 988-989, 987 (Club Premium)

Pay Category E

- ~~**CLASS 920** Market Heifers~~
- ~~**CLASS 989** Market Heifers – All Other Breeds (AOB)~~
- ~~**CLASS 960** Market Steer – Angus~~
- ~~**CLASS 970** Market Steer – Hereford~~
- ~~**CLASS 980** Market Steer – Shorthorn~~
- ~~**CLASS 985** Market Steer – Crossbreds~~
- ~~**CLASS 988** Market Steer – All Other Breeds (AOB)~~
- ~~**CLASS 987** Club Group of Market Beef – (Group of 3 steers or/and 3 market heifers with ownership by more than 1 exhibitor)~~
- CLASS 920** Market Heifers – Crossbreds
- CLASS 989** Market Heifers – Registered
- CLASS 985** Market Steer – Crossbreds
- CLASS 988** Market Steer – Registered
- CLASS 987** Club Group of Market Beef - (Group of 3 steers or/and 3 market heifers with ownership by more than 1 exhibitor)

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISION 28 - RATE OF GAIN

Division 28 Classes 901 - 902

Pay Category E

- CLASS 901** Steers
- CLASS 902** Heifers