

## HOUSING:

- Animals should be brought in appropriate housing either their normal cage or a durable plastic or wire travel cage (not cardboard). Cages must be secure. Exhibitors should provide water and food for all animals as appropriate.
- ALL DOGS MUST BE SHOWN ON A LEASH and be on a leash at any time they are removed from the carrier/cage.
- If a cage/enclosure is deemed inappropriate by the show committee, the exhibitor will not be allowed to show. **ALL DECISIONS OF THE SHOW COMMITTEE ARE FINAL.**

## HEALTH:

- All animals must be free of fleas, ticks, ear mites, ring-worms, other parasites and infectious diseases.
- If the animal is not declawed, the claws must be clipped.
- Dogs in season will not be allowed to show.
- All dogs entered are REQUIRED to be current on their vaccinations; Rabies, Distemper, Infectious Canine Hepatitis, Parvovirus. **ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!**
- All cats and kittens (four to eight months old) entered are REQUIRED to be current on their Feline Vaccinations; Rabies, FPL, PVR, FCV, FeLV. **ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!**
- All FERRETS entered are REQUIRED to be current on their Ferret Vaccinations: Rabies. **ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!**
- Any animal NOT meeting these health requirements will NOT be judged and will be asked to leave the show area. **ALL DECISIONS OF SHOW COMMITTEE/SUPERINTENDENT ARE FINAL.**

## **DEPT. G / DIV. 35**

### **COMPANION ANIMAL**

- Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)  
Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)  
Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

### GUIDELINES

- This class will be based on the exhibitor's performance.
- Areas considered are handling of animal, knowledge of animal, and presentation.
- Time limits will be used during showmanship for the oral presentations.
- **Oral presentations will be ENFORCED to the following:**
  - **Junior - 2 MINUTES OR LESS**
  - **Intermediate - 3 MINUTES OR LESS**
  - **Senior - 3 MINUTES OR LESS**
- Warning cards will be used to show how much time the presenter has left.
- One point will be deducted from the score for every minute over.

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# **DAIRY CATTLE**

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### **IN PLACE/ON FAIRGROUNDS**

Friday of Fair by 9:00 p.m.

Cows in Milk ONLY – Saturday of Fair by 9:00 a.m.

### **CHECK-IN**

Friday of Fair from 6:00-9:00 p.m. (Dairy Cattle Stalls)

### **SHOW DATE**

Saturday of Fair at 11:00 a.m. (RVR Bank Arena)

### **RELEASE**

Wednesday of Fair at 7:00 a.m.

Cows in Milk ONLY – Saturday of Fair at conclusion of show

### **SHOW COMMITTEE**

Jen Hilgenkamp, Grant Melotz, Shawn Melotz, Keith Mertz

## **DAIRY CATTLE GUIDELINES**

### **ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

- An exhibitor must exhibit dairy cattle that have been identified under their name and properly identified on an official Nebraska 4-H and FFA Dairy Identification Affidavit and filed with the Nebraska Extension Office by June 15 of the current year.
- The ID's for all dairy cattle entries will be checked by the show committee when animal is brought to fair.
- Final decision as to the class in which an animal will be shown will rest with the show committee.

**BEDDING:** Bedding will be furnished by the Washington County Fair Board for all dairy animals. A bedding fee per head may be implemented at time of check-in.

### **ENTRY LIMIT:**

- An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting SIX dairy cattle.
- Yearlings that have calved, freshening prior to show, must be shown in the Junior Two-Year-Old Class (Class 9).
- Cows in milk may be brought the day of the dairy show (by 9:00 a.m.) and be released immediately after the completion of the show.

**SHOW ORDER:** Showmanship, Heifer Classes, Cow Classes, Junior Dairy Herds

## **DEPT. G / DIV. 40**

### **DAIRY CATTLE SHOWMANSHIP**

- Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)  
Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)  
Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

### **SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES:**

- Exhibitors who made the entry are eligible to compete in showmanship with that animal.
- Members taking part in a showmanship class will be judged on their skill and on the appearance their animal makes before the judges.
- Any animal may be shown in only ONE showmanship class.
- **In showmanship classes, a 4-H member can ONLY exhibit an animal that has been officially identified in their name AND that they have entered in the live show. Exhibitors may NOT exhibit another exhibitor's animal (including siblings) in the showmanship competition.**
- Winners of junior and intermediate divisions in previous years must move up to the next older division. **This will be at the discretion of the show committee based on the number of exhibitors and size of the show.**

## **DEPT. G**

### **DAIRY CATTLE DIVISIONS**

- Division 41 Ayrshire  
Division 42 Brown Swiss  
Division 43 Guernsey  
Division 44 Holstein  
Division 45 Jersey  
Division 46 Milking Shorthorn

## **DEPT. G / DIV. 41-46**

### **DAIRY CATTLE CLASSES**

- Class 1 Spring Calf (born 3-1-2024 to 4-30-2024)  
Class 2 Winter Calf (born 12-1-2023 to 2-28-2024)  
Class 3 Fall Calf (born 9-1-2023 to 11-30-2023)  
Class 4 Summer Yearling (born 6-1-2023 to 8-31-2023)  
Class 5 Spring Yearling (born 3-1-2023 to 5-31-2023)  
Class 6 Winter Yearling (born 12-1-2022 to 2-29-2023)  
Class 7 Fall Yearling (born 9-1-2022 to 11-30-2022)  
Class 8 Dry Cow (Any Age)  
Class 9 Junior Two Year Old (born 3-1-2022 to 8-31-2022)

- Class 10 Senior Two Year Old (born 9-1-2021 to 2-28-2022)
- Class 11 Three Year Old (born 9-1-2020 to 8-31-2021)
- Class 12 Four Year Old (born 9-1-2019 to 8-31-2020)
- Class 13 Five Year Old & Over (Prior to 9-1-2019)
- Class 14 Dairy Cattle Junior Herd

#### **DAIRY CATTLE JUNIOR HERD REQUIREMENTS:**

A 4-H Dairy Cattle Junior Herd will consist of three animals that meet the following requirements:

- All three animals have been officially identified, entered, and exhibited (at the current show) by the same 4-H member.
- All three animals must be the same dairy breed.
- All three animals may be grade or registered, or any combination of grade and registered; and at least one of the three animals must be a cow that has freshened long enough to have a 305 2X ME record in progress. Show management will verify the production records at the time of check-in.
- Herds will be scored and awarded ribbons on the basis of the current Dairy Cattle Junior Herd Scorecard. Each exhibitor is expected to fill out their own score card and present it to the show committee prior to the start of the show.

## **DAIRY GOAT**

#### **IN PLACE/ON FAIRGROUNDS**

Friday of Fair by 9:00 p.m. (Goat Barn)

#### **CHECK-IN**

Saturday of Fair 9:30 -10:30 a.m. (Goat Barn)

Goats in Milk ONLY – Monday of Fair by 8:00 a.m. (Goat Barn)

#### **SHOW DATE**

Sunday of Fair 12:00 pm (RVR Bank Arena)

#### **RELEASE**

Wednesday of Fair at 7:00 a.m.

Goats in Milk ONLY – Saturday of Fair at conclusion of show

#### **SHOW COMMITTEE**

Rob Ferris, Mindy Hilgenkamp, Cord Scheer, Emmitt Scheer, Kelsie Scheer, Laura Houser

### **DAIRY GOAT GUIDELINES**

#### **ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

- An exhibitor must exhibit dairy goats that have been properly identified under their name.
- Officially identified on the Nebraska 4-H Dairy Goat Identification Affidavits AND Official USDA Scrapie Tag needed for commercial breeding and female goats.
- The ID's for all dairy goats will be checked by the show committee when the animal is brought to fair.
- Final decision as to the class in which an animal will be shown will rest with the show committee.

#### **SCRAPIE TAG (USDA BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRIES)**

**GUIDELINE:** The USDA Bureau of Animal Industries has mandated a national program to eradicate scrapie in commercial goat herds. Therefore, all (commercial) goats exhibited at Washington County Fair will need to have the official USDA identification (scrapie tag).

**ENTRY LIMIT:** An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting SIX Dairy Goats.

**BEDDING:** Exhibitors are responsible for providing their own bedding.

#### **GENERAL RULES:**

- All dairy goats, with the exception of dairy goats in milk, must be entered on Saturday morning, 9:30-10:30.
- Dairy goats in milk may be brought in by 8:00 a.m. on the day of the show and will be released at the conclusion of the show.
- Bucks are not eligible to show.
- ***All goats must have horns blunted. Dehorning is acceptable and preferred.***

### **DEPT. G / DIV. 50**

#### **DAIRY GOAT SHOWMANSHIP**

- Class 1 Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 14-18 on Jan 1)
- Class 2 Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 11-13 on Jan 1)
- Class 3 Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-10 on Jan 1)

#### **SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES:**

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- Members taking part in a showmanship class will be judged on their skill and on the appearance their animal makes before the judges.
- Any animal may be shown in only ONE showmanship class.
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- Winners of junior and intermediate divisions in previous years must move up to the next older division. *This will be at the discretion of the show committee based on the number of exhibitors and size of the show.*

### **DEPT. G / DIV. 51-54**

#### **DAIRY GOAT**

Grade and Purebred Dairy Goats will show in the same Breed Division.

DIV. 51 LaMancha

DIV. 52 Nubian

DIV. 53 Saanens

DIV. 54 Other

- Class 1 Junior Doe born 3/1/24 and after
- Class 2 Intermediate Doe born 12/1/24 to 2/28/24
- Class 3 Senior Doe born 8/1/23 to 11/30/23
- Class 4 Non-milking Doe born 8/1/22 to 7/31/23
- Class 5 Milking Doe born 8/1/23 and after
- Class 6 Milking Doe born 8/1/20 to 7/31/21
- Class 7 Milking Doe born before 8/1/20
- Class 8 Junior Herd (Includes 3 dairy goats with at least 1 milking goat. All animals must be exhibited by the same/one 4-H exhibitor.)
- Class 9 Mother-Daughter (Includes at least 1 milking goat. Both animals must be exhibited by the same/one 4-H exhibitor.)

### **DEPT. G / DIV. 55**

#### **PET GOAT CLASS**

- Class 10 Pet Class

### **DEPT. G / DIV. 56**

#### **GOAT COSTUME CONTEST**

- Class 11 Costume Class
  - This class will be judged on creativity of the member's and/or goat's costume and accompanying story.
  - Costumes should present no possible danger to the goat, while "on" or being taken "on" and "off".
  - If coloring the hair of the goat, only food coloring will be allowed.
  - Exhibitors will give a brief, creative, presentation (up to 2 minutes) about why the goat is wearing this costume.
  - An entry consists of one member and one goat already entered in their respective division (**dairy, meat or pet**).
  - Only ONE entry can be made in the costume division.