



## 2026 Dairy Cattle Premium Book

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**Entry Deadline:** Monday August 10th, 2026

**Exhibitor Fee:** \$15.00

**Entry Fee:** \$8.00 (\$6.00/animal, \$2.00 bedding fee)

**Premium Awards:** Will be mailed after the conclusion of the Great New York State Fair

**Rotation 1:** Holstein, Red & White Holstein, and Milking Shorthorns Breeds

**Rotation 2:** Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, and Jersey Breeds

### Judges

**Open Ayrshire and Open Brown Swiss Shows:** Ryan Krohlow Poynette, Wisconsin

**Open Guernsey & Open Jersey Shows:** Tom Arrowsmith Peach Bottom, Pennsylvania

**Open Holstein Show:** Kevin Jacobs Quebec, Canada

**Open Milking Shorthorn and Open Red & White Holstein Shows:** Matt Hawbaker Clear Spring, Maryland

### Health Requirements

The following link will bring you to the Department of Agriculture and Markets Animal Health Requirements for Admission to Great New York State Fair:

<https://agriculture.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2026/01/fairhealthrequirements.pdf>

### **NEW YORK STATE-ORIGIN CATTLE**

1. A valid intrastate CVI (AI-61) is required. The CVI must be issued on or after May 1st of the current year.
2. All cattle have official identification. All cattle must be identified by an official USDA radio frequency identification (RFID) ear tag, commonly referred to as an “840 RFID tag” or equivalent official RFID tag if the animal was tagged in another country.
3. Rabies vaccination is required for all species for which there is a USDA licensed vaccine available (cattle, horses, sheep, dog, cat, ferret) and that are 4 months of age or older on the date of admission to the fair. For most rabies vaccines, the earliest age allowable for primary vaccination is 3 months (12 weeks). Animals that are vaccinated prior to 84 days of age will need to be re-vaccinated according to label before entering the fairgrounds. Vaccine must have been administered within the past 12 months. The rabies vaccination requirement must be met on the day of admission even if the animal was previously admitted to a fair when too young to vaccinate. The New York State Fair requires rabies

vaccination for all livestock species entering the grounds. See Section F for “Acceptable Proof of Rabies Vaccination.”

4. All cattle exhibited at NY county fairs, or the New York State Fair must be negative to an approved test appropriate to detect Bovine Viral Diarrhea persistent infection (BVD-PI). Official ID must be in the animal prior to sampling. The testing veterinarian is responsible for making sure the proper test is conducted. This is a once in a lifetime test that must be reported on the required certificate of veterinary inspection. The issuing veterinarian is responsible for verifying the validity of the test, existing official identification of the animal, and recording the test date on the CVI. If a previous test or official identification is not verifiable, the test must be repeated.

5. All cattle must be vaccinated against bovine respiratory disease complex including bovine respiratory syncytial virus, bovine virus diarrhea, infectious bovine rhinotracheitis and parainfluenza with an age appropriate- product administered in a manner and time frame adequate to confer protective immunity for these diseases for the duration of the fair. The date and vaccine product must be documented.

### ***OUT-OF-STATE CATTLE***

1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) is required for out-of-state cattle. All animals entering New York State must satisfy both import requirements and fair requirements for that species and be accompanied by a valid interstate CVI. The interstate CVI is valid for 30 days from the date of CVI inspection. During the New York fair season (July 1 through Labor Day) valid CVIs can be used multiple times for entrance into a qualifying NYS Agricultural Fair (linked here) (<https://www.nyfairs.org/>) The initial entrance into a qualifying NYS Agricultural Fair must be within 30 days of the date of CVI inspection. The name of the fair must be recorded on the CVI. For the CVI to be used for a later fair, it must be dated and initialed by a NYS Agriculture and Markets official noting the location of the initial, qualifying NYS Agricultural Fair. A change in health status or eligibility of an animal necessitates the generation of a new CVI. New York does not participate in the New England Exhibition Show and Fair Circuit. Questions regarding import requirements should be directed to the Division of Animal Industry at 518-457-3971, or at the division’s import/export homepage:

<https://agriculture.ny.gov/animals/animal-import-export>

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**General Reminders**

- All medical sharps or medical waste products **MUST** be disposed of properly. Medical waste receptacles are available throughout the Dairy Cattle Barn. **DO NOT** under any circumstances throw sharps in the trash cans, feed bags or bedding. Any exhibitor failing to follow this procedure will automatically **FORFEIT** all prize money and **WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SHOW** at the Great New York State Fair for **THREE CONSECUTIVE YEARS**. There will be **ZERO** tolerance for such an offense. (IF YOU USE THEM, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO USE THE RECEPTACLES OR TAKE THEM HOME).

**Schedule**

Show and contest times are subject to change

2026 DAIRY BARN-Schedule of Events		
Date	Time	Event
<b>MON AUG 24</b>	10a	Rotation 1 Tack only may be brought in
<b>TUE AUG 25</b>	8a-6p	Rotation 1 Arrival & Vet Check <b>Arrival later by Appointment Only</b>
<b>WED AUG 26</b>	6a-8:30a	Rotation 1 <b>Arrival later by appointment only</b> must be in place by 8:30a.
	10a	4H Beginner Quiz Bowl Contest
	12:30p	Dairy Challenge Contest
<b>THUR AUG 27</b>	9:15a	4H Dairy Judging Contest
	2:30p	Little Britches
	3p	Showmanship
<b>FRI AUG 28</b>	9:15a	Junior Holstein Show (Starting with Milk Cows)
	6:30p	Junior & Bovine Costume Class
	7:30p	Adult Lighthearted Showmanship
<b>SAT AUG 29</b>	9:15a	Open & Junior Red & White Holstein Shows (Starting with Milk Cows)
	2p	Open & Junior Milking Shorthorn Shows

<b>SUN AUG 30</b>	9:15a	Open Holstein Show in Toyota Coliseum
	11:30p	Rotation 1 Release
<b>MON AUG 31</b>	8:30a	Rotation 1 must be out barn closed for cleaning
	11:30p	Rotation 2 Tack only may be brought in
<b>TUE SEP 1</b>	12a-4a	Rotation 2 Tack may be brought in <b>No on duty Vet until 4a</b>
	4a-8:30a	Rotation 2 Arrival & Vet Check must be in place by 8:30a.
<b>WED SEP 2</b>	12a-4a	Rotation 2 Tack may be brought in <b>No on duty Vet until 4a</b>
	4a-8:30a	Rotation 2 Arrival & Vet Check must be in place by 8:30a.
<b>THUR SEP 3</b>	9:15a	4H & FFA Dairy Judging Contests
	2:30p	Little Britches
	3p	Showmanship
<b>FRI SEP 4</b>	9:15a	Junior Ayrshire & Junior Guernsey Shows (Starting with Milk Cows)
	12:30p	Junior Brown Swiss & Junior Jersey Shows (Starting with Milk Cows)
	6:30p	Junior & Bovine Costume Class
	7:30p	Adult Lighthearted Showmanship
<b>SAT SEP 5</b>	9:15a	Open Guernsey Show
	1p	Open Ayrshire Show
<b>SUN SEP 6</b>	9:15a	Open Brown Swiss Show
	1p	Open Jersey Show
	11:30p	Rotation 2 Release
<b>MON SEP 7</b>	8:30a	Rotation 2 must be out barn closed for cleaning

### **Rules, Regulations & Guidelines**

Exhibitors are respectfully requested to read the following rules, regulations, and guidelines carefully to help avoid confusion at the time of the 2026 Great New York State Fair.

### **Arrival, Delivery & Release Procedure**

Superintendents Charlie Luchsinger (315) 382-4354 and Teri Martin (315) 436-4042 will be the people to contact for questions/issues regarding both move-ins.

<b>2026 DAIRY BARN-Arrival &amp; Release Schedule</b>		
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<b>MON AUG 24</b>	10a	Rotation 1 Tack only may be brought in
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<b>MON SEP 7</b>	8:30a	Rotation 2 must be out barn closed for cleaning

- No cattle will be allowed onto the fairgrounds prior to Tuesday, August 25, 2026.
- All livestock vehicles will enter Gate 7, proceed forward to gate 11 showing credentials, turn left down Belle Isle, turn right just past the Coliseum, then straight to the Dairy Cattle Unload Area. For exiting the fairgrounds, proceed down Tonawanda Street, turn onto Belle Isle, then exit at the very end through Gate 2. **\*\*Please note: No other gates will allow livestock vehicles in\*\*** Because the check-in area is located between the Dairy Cattle Barn and Coliseum, we cannot begin letting exhibitors in until all the manure from the first half has been cleaned out and removed. Exhibitors should be aware that arriving during the final hour may mean you're waiting time before entering the barn could exceed three (3) hours.
- Please plan your schedule for trucking and delivery according to the above times. The Dairy Cattle Superintendents will do all that is possible to accommodate conflicts, especially animals being shown at a competing show which conflicts with the above dates.
- PLEASE NOTE: Permission for late arrival or early release **MUST** be requested from the Dairy Cattle Superintendent. Superintendents can make the decision to ban exhibitor(s) for one or more years from future Great New York State Fairs should an exhibitor fail to abide by release schedule, as well as forfeit their premiums for the current year.
- The delivery of supplies will be allowed between the hours of 11:30p and 8:30a.

**Camping & Parking**

**Rotation 1:** 8a Tuesday August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026, thru 11a Monday August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026

**Rotation 2:** 11p Monday August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026, thru 9p Monday September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026

After you have entered the show, an email will go out to you that you will need to follow to access Pink Lot Camping and Parking:

- Camping: A limited number of camping spaces are available in the Pink Lot for Dairy Cattle Exhibitors.
- Vehicle Parking: A limited number of vehicle parking spaces are available for the Pink Dairy Cattle Parking Lot. This lot is accessed from Rte. 690 East State Fair Blvd. These are sold on a first come first serve basis per Rotation.

Please note these spaces fill up and are on a first come first serve basis.

## ***Displays & Stalling Space***

All stalling requests must be sent to Charlie Luchsinger and Teri Martin by Friday August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026.

- To comply with fire and safety regulations, all barn Superintendents are required to have a floor plan of where every exhibitor is tied in. If your tie-in information has changed, please notify the Superintendent.
- Exhibitors will be allowed approximately one (1) panel (10 feet) for every two (2) animals present in the barn. If ten (10) animals were entered but only four (4) were brought, two (2) panels will be allotted for the exhibitor's space. One (1) extra panel will be included for every eight (8) animals that an exhibitor has in their string.
- Radios/players must not disturb other exhibitors or fairgoers. Music must not contain explicit language, profanity, racist remarks and/or offensive material. The volume must be appropriate. The Superintendents have the authority to confiscate radios/players etc., if you do not comply with this rule after the first warning. The unit will be returned upon release.
- Tents are allowed in your exhibit if they have a top and only one closed side. At night, you may have three (3) closed sides. No tents over ten (10) feet wide will be allowed, and an 8-foot aisle must be maintained at all times. Connecting tents is not allowed due to Fire Code.
- A fire extinguisher and smoke detector must always be in the tent. If you need a set for your exhibit, please see Superintendent Charlie Luchsinger. Please return items to the Superintendent's office at release.
- Please unplug appliances when not in use. This will be enforced by the Fire Marshall and Superintendents.
- Exhibitors are responsible for their own displays. The area where you house your cattle and tack, including the aisle behind your cattle, will be kept clean, organized, swept, and free of debris. Cattle will be clean, and manure will be picked up. The Superintendents and their staff will monitor this. We encourage all exhibitors to monitor each other as well. The appearance of the dairy cattle barn speaks volumes to the fairgoer, and a negative opinion is not what any of us want. Exhibitors will receive one (1) warning. If the situation is not corrected, premiums will be forfeited and possible suspension from showing at the NYS Fair will result.
- Exhibitors are prohibited from painting cattle hooves on the floor. If it is necessary to paint hooves, please do so outdoors or PROTECT the flooring. Failure to do so may result in the forfeiting of premiums.
- Anyone with a permanent connection to a water outlet must provide a Y adapter, especially exhibitors that install water buckets. The water outlet must be available for everyone's use
- Hay and straw can be stored in your trailers to bring in daily or stacked in designated spaces along the wall of the barn.
- Exhibitors who bring large bales must work with the Superintendent's office to store the product where it will not interfere with the movement of other exhibitors or fairgoers. It cannot be placed in an area where an aisle or walkway will be blocked. The Fair will provide an area where the bales

can be stored during the fair until needed. A skid steer with a fork will be provided to move the bales around, however this must be done after the fair is closed and there are no fairgoers in the building (between 11:30p and 8:30a daily).

- There will be a designated picture area for photographing cattle near the loading dock

### **Entry**

Entry deadline is Monday August 10th, 2026, no late entries will be accepted after Tuesday August 11th, 2026

- If you plan to show in group classes, you are required to enter all group classes prior to the entry deadline. If you do not enter you will not be able to show in group classes. There will be no exceptions or additions after the entry deadline. No ringside entries will be excepted.
- Entries are to be completed online at <https://nysfair.ny.gov/competitions/how-to-enter/>
- Competition is not limited to New York State Exhibitors
- Junior Show entry requirements and fees apply. The stall fee will qualify the exhibitor for open and junior show participation; **you must mark junior on your entry form.** 4-H/Youth Show entries are to be done separately from Open Shows.
- If a Red & White Holstein is registered in both the Holstein and Red & White Associations, the exhibitor may choose to show in both breed classes. To be eligible they must enter and pay the entry fee for both individual breed classes. This must be done by the entry deadline and there will be no exceptions or additions after entry deadline.
- All group class entries are ONLINE ONLY and must be made prior to the entry deadline. No ringside entries will be accepted. Original registration papers must be available in the Showring for Group classes. Animals participating in any group class must have checked in ringside for their individual class.
- Exhibitor check-in will be performed by the office staff in a designated check-in area. Please bring either printed or digital copies of your entries including your SFS number to the show to expedite this process. Animal Id and eligibility will also be confirmed by staff after check-in is complete.
- An Exhibitor is defined as: The owner(s) or farm appearing on the registration paper for the entry at closing date. For the purposes of meeting the requirements in all group classes including Premier Breeder and Premier Exhibitor, an exhibitor is further defined as those members of an immediate family residing on one farm and where the herd is one unit. However, each owner must submit an entry form listing their entries. In other words, members of a family owning animals must submit separate entry forms if they want the animal listed under their name in the show book. If the entry is made under the farm name, the animal will be shown under the farm name. An exhibitor is considered the owner of the animal listed on their entry form. The name of the exhibitor must coincide with the name of the owner of said animal as listed on the registration paper. Partnerships and other joint ownerships must have a separate entry form from the individual that is part of that joint ownership who is exhibiting animals at the fair. For example: If Exhibitor A and

Exhibitor B own an animal in a partnership, and each owns animals individually, three (3) separate exhibitors exist. Substitutions are allowed between owned cattle. In NO case, will it be accepted where an exhibitor can list animals on their entry form that they do not own. An animal entered in such a fashion will not be able to show. There will be no exceptions.

### ***Milking Parlor***

Dairy cattle exhibitors have the option of using the milking parlor or their own portable vacuum pump. Milk will be weighed before storage in the bulk tank, and each exhibitor will be paid for milk contributed.

- All exhibitors must sign in when using the milking parlor with the exhibitor's full name, address, and phone number so that they can get paid.
- NO MILK IS TO BE DUMPED AT ANY LOCATION inside or outside the barn. Exhibitors failing to comply with this rule will face loss of premiums, fines or possible suspension. This practice will be monitored carefully by the Superintendents.
- Any milk produced during the hours when milking parlor is not staffed must be disposed of by the exhibitor in the proper area.

### ***Animal Eligibility***

**Ayrshire:** At least 87% purity as verified by the US Ayrshire Breeders' Association and exhibiting typical breed coloring/characteristics.

**Brown Swiss:** A minimum designation of IE as verified by US Brown Swiss Association and exhibiting typical breed coloring/characteristics.

**Guernsey:** At least 87% purity with PR designation as verified by the American Guernsey Association and exhibiting typical breed coloring/characteristics.

**Holstein:** At least 87% RHA or higher as verified by the Holstein Association USA and exhibiting typical breed coloring/characteristics.

**Jersey:** A designation of (4) or higher as verified by US Jersey and exhibiting typical breed coloring/characteristics.

**Milking Shorthorn:** A designation of EXP or full Herdbook status as verified by the American Milking Shorthorn Society and exhibiting typical breed coloring/characteristics.

**Red and White Holstein:** Carry at least 87% dairy bloodlines as designated by RWDCA guidelines and be red and white in color.

### ***Junior Show***

**Entry Requirements:** All open show entry requirements and fees apply. The stall fee will qualify the exhibitor for open and junior show participation; you must mark junior on your entry form. Breed Junior Shows will follow National Breed Association Rules for their prospective breed.

2026 Junior Shows		
Date	Time	Event
FRI AUG 28	9:15a	Holstein
SAT AUG 29	9:15a	Red & White Holstein (in conjunction with the Open Show)
	2p	Milking Shorthorn (in conjunction with the Open Show)
FRI SEPT 4	9:15a	Ayrshire and Guernsey
	12:30p	Brown Swiss & Jersey

**Leadsperson:** To be eligible to compete in the Junior Shows, entries must be shown by the Junior owner in all cases, except by prior approval by the Superintendents. Alternate Leadsperson forms must be submitted to the Superintendent's office before the start of the show. Written requests must be submitted by this time, or the animal is ineligible to show, unless there is an unforeseen circumstance. Alternate leadspersons may either be a sibling of the exhibitor who are eligible to show by age, or the same age or younger than the exhibitor.

**Judges:**

**Junior Holstein:** Kelly Reynolds Corfu, New York

**Junior Milking Shorthorn and Junior Red & White Holstein Shows:** Matt Hawbaker Clear Spring, Maryland

**Junior Ayrshire & Junior Guernsey Shows:** John Scoville Lowville, New York

**Junior Brown Swiss & Jersey Shows:** Shaun Merrill Seneca Falls, New York

**Breed Eligibility:**

**Ayrshire**

**Exhibitor Eligibility:** Participation in this show is open to all young men and women who own registered Ayrshires. Exhibitors may participate after they reach 9 years of age and until December 31 of year in which he or she turns 21 years old

**Ownership:** Animals may be owned solely by the junior exhibitor or in a partnership provided the junior exhibitor's name appears on the registration paper, prior to August 1 of the current year. All purchased animals must be transferred by August 1 of the current year. The date of sale and not the delivery date will be considered the transfer date. Registration papers will be checked at the show. In lieu of ownership, an Ayrshire Breeders' Association lease agreement will be accepted. The lease form must be received by the Superintendent's office at time of check-in.

**Brown Swiss**

**Exhibitor Eligibility:** Junior must be 8-21 years of age by January 1 of the current year.

**Ownership:** For an animal to be exhibited as Junior owned, in all classes, the recorded ownership must show in the sole ownership of the exhibitor or a partnership comprised of Brown Swiss Association Junior

members. (Adult-Junior partnerships and family farm partnerships are not acceptable.) All transfers and recorded ownerships must be dated by August 1st of the current show year for all classes. If joint ownership, one of the owners must be declared the exhibitor during check-in. Awards will be presented as one unit, to all owners equally. Animals that are leased through the National Brown Swiss Association Lease Program are also eligible to be shown as juniors.

### **Guernsey**

**Exhibitor Eligibility:** Participation is open to any Junior Member who have not reached their 21st birthday by January 1st of the current year and are over the age of eight on that date. and are over the age of eight on that date. World Dairy Expo requires leadspersons to be at least nine years of age on Show Day.

**Ownership:** In all classes, the recorded ownership must show in the sole ownership of the junior exhibitor or partnership comprised of only AGA Junior Members or a participant in the American Guernsey Association Youth Lease Agreement Program, no adults or farm names may be listed. Transfers and Lease agreements must be dated on or before August 1st.

### **Holstein**

**Exhibitor Eligibility:** Exhibitors must be a minimum of nine years old to participate on the day of the show but have not reached their 21st birthday by January 1 in the year competing. Members who become 21 years of age during the current year will be allowed to compete in Junior activities until December 31 of the current year and not beyond that time.

**Ownership:** Animal must be registered in the name of the Junior member or a partnership of Junior members, throughout the year exhibiting to qualify for Junior recognition. Adult-Junior and family or farm partnerships are not acceptable. For an animal (cow or heifer) to be transferred to a Junior, or a partnership of Juniors, the transfer application must be received by the Holstein Association USA office on or before July 15 by 11:59 p.m. Eastern time of the current year. \*Canadian owned animals must be dually registered in Canada and the US. Animals must be transferred in Canada prior to transferring in the US. Transfers in the US must still be made by July 15, 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time. The following actions will disqualify an animal from Junior recognition: 1) Transferring an animal into or out of a Junior's name after July 15 of the show year or 2) adding or dropping any adult or junior member as an owner after the deadline. The Junior leasing program is designed to encourage young people to get involved in a dairy project and learn about animal care and responsibility. The leased animal remains in the original ownership and, if the leased animal is bred, any offspring are named using the owner's prefix. All lease applications must be filed by July 15 in the year exhibiting and presented at time of check-in.

### **Jersey**

**Exhibitor Eligibility:** Exhibitors must be no younger than 9 years of age as of the opening day of the show, and no older than 20 years of age as of January 1, 2024.

**Ownership:** The exhibitor must be listed as Recorded Owner on the registration certificate, either (1) as the sole owner or (2) by his/her name in joint ownership. If the joint ownership includes more than one person meeting the eligibility requirements of Rule 1. (above), one of them must be declared as the exhibitor during check-in. Animals must be registered and/or transferred to meet one of the above ownership requirements on or before August 1. Animals registered by the American Jersey Cattle Association must have a Generation Count 4 or greater, or by Jersey Canada with registry status of 93.75% and greater.

### **Milking Shorthorn**

**Exhibitor Eligibility:** Participation in this show is open to youth with registered Milking Shorthorns. Exhibitors must be a minimum of 9-years-old but have not reached their 21st birthday by January 1st in the year competing. Members who become 21 years of age during the current year will be allowed to compete in Junior activities until December 31st of the current year. The Junior Show will take place during the Open Show; Junior's will be recognized by stepping forward in their respective open show class.

**Ownership:** Ownership of the animal must be recorded in the AMSS herdbook in the name of the Junior exhibitor(s) by August 1st of the current year. Animals may be owned in partnerships; however, all members of the partnership must be junior members, and animals must be owned by August 1st. Acceptable wording of Farm or other entity should read: Junior member's name of Farm name or other entity (Ex: Nicholas Achen of Cherrywood Farm). The following will disqualify an animal from Junior show participation and recognition in the current year: Transferring an animal in or out of a Junior's name after August 1st of the show year or adding/dropping a junior member and/or adult as an owner after the deadline.

### **Red & White Holstein**

**Exhibitor Eligibility:** Exhibitors may participate after they reach nine years of age and until December 31 of the year in which he or she turns 21 years of age. Age is day of show. The Junior Show will take place during the Open Show; Junior's will be recognized by stepping forward in their respective open show class.

**Ownership:** Two or more juniors may own an animal. For an animal (cow or heifer) to be transferred to a Junior, or a partnership of Juniors, the transfer application must be received by the Holstein Association USA office on or before July 15th. Lease applications also must be submitted by July 15th and submitted to the Superintendents at time of check-in.

### **Showring Polices & Ethics**

- There will only be ONE LEADSMAN allowed on the halter in all classes. The ring master has the authority to intercede if the leadsman cannot control the animal.

- Animals must show in the class that corresponds with their age. We will no longer allow animals to show in the next older class.
- At the time of showing groups, registration papers of the animals comprising the herd or group must be available to be checked by the ring clerk and Superintendent. No premium will be paid unless these papers are available.
- An exhibitor may show as many animals as they have entered in a single animal class, but they will not receive more than THREE premiums or ribbons.
- An exhibitor may show only one entry in Senior Best Three Females, Junior Best Three and Exhibitors Herd.
- All animal entered in the Senior Best Three Females classes must have calved at least once.
- The judge may, at their discretion, require any animal to be milked before them in the ring.
- The New York Purebred Dairy Cattle Association (PDCA) has determined that all exhibitors are encouraged to wear white pants, shorts or skirts, with colored or white shirts (with no logo showing) while showing in the individual and championship classes.
- The Superintendent is authorized and empowered to remove all animals that fail to meet the health conditions herein specified, from the buildings and grounds.
- New York State has established a Show Ring Ethics Committee. This Committee's decision to not allow an animal violating the PDCA Show Ring Code of Ethics into the Show Ring will be supported by the Superintendent.
- In order to keep uniformity between New York State shows, a 1 ½" hair topline will be permitted. If the limit is exceeded when the animal comes to the show ring, the animal WILL NOT show.
- Any artificial means of removing or remedying physical defects or conformation in exhibition animals will be considered fraud or deception. The Show Ring Ethics Committee supports the recommended PDCA Show Ring Code of Ethics, which is printed at the end of rules and regulations. All animals giving evidence of such treatments will be barred from exhibitions at the Great New York State Fair, and all fairs holding membership in the International Association of Fairs and Expositions.
- In the event premium should be awarded to an exhibitor for animals shown in violation of the rule at any fair that is a member of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, the Fair Management, on obtaining conclusive evidence of such violation, will immediately request the exhibitor to refund all premium money, cups, trophies, and ribbons awarded in violation of this rule. Failure on the part of the exhibitor to comply with this request within ten (10) days will automatically bar them as an exhibitor from all classes at fairs or exhibitions that are members of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions. Only by a majority vote of the Board of Directors of said associations will an exhibitor be reinstated. The secretary of each fair belonging to the International Association of Fairs and Expositions will promptly report all violations of this rule to the secretary of the association who shall notify all members.

- Communication pertaining to the ethics of the show/animal for the show must be in writing and submitted to the Dairy Cattle Superintendent within 48 hours of the show.

**The Purebred Dairy Cattle Association Show Ring Code of Ethics**  
**Adopted February 2025**

The showing of registered dairy cattle stimulates and sustains interest in the breeding of registered dairy cattle. It is also an important part of the promotion, merchandising, and breeding program of many breeders. For these reasons, the Purebred Dairy Cattle Association (PDCA) believes that it is in the best interest of all breeders of registered dairy cattle to maintain a reputation of integrity in dairy cattle shows and to present a wholesome and progressive image of dairy cattle in the show ring.

PDCA endorses this Show Ring Code of Ethics for all dairy breed shows and pledges its full cooperative support for its enforcement to show management, show judges, and the national breed associations.

The application of this Code of Ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter or participant whether he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this Code of Ethics. Dairy cattle exhibitors shall, at all times, deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship.

It is recognized that there are certain practices in the proper care and management of dairy cattle that are necessary in the course of moving dairy cattle to and between shows that are advisable to keep them in a sound, healthy state so they might be presented in the show ring in a natural, normal condition. At all times, exhibition livestock shall be treated in a humane manner and in accordance with dairy quality assurance practices so as to protect the health, safety and welfare of the livestock and the consuming public. No person shall present for exhibition or exhibit an animal which he or she knows, or has reason to suspect, is affected with or has been exposed to a dangerously contagious or infectious disease, or illegal or non-approved use of drugs, medication and/or prohibited substance, or residue.

The position of the Purebred Dairy Cattle Association is that all animals presented for exhibition shall be in their natural conformation and structure, free of any alteration or modification by injection or internal or external administration of any substance or by any involvement in unethical fitting.

Grooming and Preparation Dairy cattle exhibitions are conducted under standards for evaluating conformation established by the PDCA Unified Score Card (2025), with specific breed characteristics taken into consideration by the show judge. In this connection, animals will be groomed and prepared for the judge's evaluation in order to display the animal's natural contour, conformation, performance, and mobility. Specifically:

1. Changing the natural color of the animal is prohibited (effective 6/1/2015). However, external applications of cosmetics that affect only appearance may be used, including, by way of example, hoof polishes and false switches.

2. The maximum allowable length of naturally growing hair anywhere on the topline is not to exceed 1 ½ inches. Exhibitors will be required to comply with this rule before the animal is allowed to enter the ring.
3. Addition of foreign objects, including but not limited to hair or hair substitutes, cloth or fiber, to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body is prohibited.
4. Externally sealing the teat end with a preparation that does not harm the animal's skin is permissible.
5. Natural teat placement will be given preference over artificially positioned teats.
6. The practice of over bagging the udder or allowing excessive fill of milk in the mammary system, is strongly discouraged due to the harmful impact on animal comfort and health. Any signs of this could result in competition disqualification.

Violations: False, Deceptive or Unacceptable Practices These practices are violations of the Code of Ethics and will be reported to show management and may be reported to the respective national breed associations:

1. Misrepresenting the age, milking status and/or lactation number of the animal for the class in which it is shown.
2. Treating the animal, particularly the udder, internally or externally:
  - a. with an irritant or counterirritant,
  - b. Using a device to artificially create or enhance the udder crease,
  - c. Using other substances as detected by testing that causes changes in the udder to artificially improve the conformation.
  - d. No substance that is not approved by FDA or prescribed by veterinarian may be administered to the mammary system including the teat canal.
3. Surgical or unethical insertion of any matter under the skin or into body cavities, performed to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body (e.g., administration of fluid via a stomach tube or other similar apparatus to fill the rumen), though not to preclude practices required or involved in normal management.
4. Criticizing or interfering with the judge, show management or other exhibitors while in the show ring or other conduct detrimental to the breed or the show.
5. Challenging, threatening or interfering with an ethics committee appointed by show management to monitor the animals on exhibit on the show grounds.

Exhibitor Responsibility The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter and/or absolutely responsible person (hereinafter referred to as "Exhibitor") for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, milk, or other substances from the

animal to be used in testing. Materials may also be collected by ultrasound and photographic methods and by direct examination of animals.

The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter and/or absolutely responsible person (the “Exhibitor”) to have disciplinary action for violation of this Show Ring Code of Ethics taken by show management, the state in which the show occurs, and/or the national dairy breed association without recourse.

**Show Ethics Committee** Each show should have an Ethics Committee. The make-up of this committee should include official breed representatives, representative(s) of show management (e.g., dairy cattle show superintendent, General Manager), the official show veterinarian, and Extension representative. The Ethics Committee will be responsible for monitoring violations of the Show Ring Code of Ethics. The Ethics Committee will investigate the report of any violation and determine the accuracy of the allegation. The Ethics Committee will have the authority to inspect animals and related material to determine if violations have occurred

**Violations: Reporting and Investigation** Complaints of alleged violations can be reported to the breed superintendent, the show superintendent, show management, and/or the Ethics Committee.

**Before An Animal is Shown** If the Ethics Committee suspects that a violation of the Show Ring Code of Ethics will occur if the animal is shown, and that violation is reasonably well established before the animal is shown, the Ethics Committee will submit a report to show management.

Show management will discuss the violation with the Exhibitor:

1. If, at the Exhibitor’s discretion, the animal in question is not shown; no violation will have occurred.
2. If the Exhibitor wishes to challenge that a violation occurred, he/she/they will have the opportunity to appeal to the Ethics Committee. If its decision is not changed, the Exhibitor will be denied the opportunity to exhibit the animal in question.

**During and After an Animal is Shown** ll animals are subject to examinations during judging. The judge and Ethics Committee are instructed to examine the top five (5) animals in each class closely for violations of the Show Ring Code of Ethics. When a violation may have occurred, a milk out may be called for. This call may be by breed association rule, or by request of an authorized representative of the national breed association, the judge, the Ethics Committee, or show management.

If an animal is exhibited and a violation of the Show Ring Code of Ethics is subsequently suspected, investigated, and determined to have occurred, the violation will be reported to the Ethics Committee and show management for action. The Exhibitor will be notified of the violation and the supporting evidence and invited to defend or explain the allegations.

Violations are subject to the disciplinary provisions of show management, the state in which the show occurs, and the national dairy breed association. Sanctions may include anyone, or combination of the following:

- forfeiture or return of awards, prizes, premiums or proceeds;
- written letter of reprimand to the owner, exhibitor, fitter and/or absolutely responsible person (the “Exhibitor”);
- disqualification of the exhibition livestock from an exhibition;
- disqualification of the Exhibitor from the show; publication of offense. Disqualification may include any or all shows and classes and may be for any number of years.

History: Adopted by PDCA in March 1969, revised March 1971, February 1977, February 1981, February 1986, February 1988, February 1989, February 1992, February 1993, November 1995, April 2002; April 2004, May 2015, February 2025.

**Classes**

Class	Number	Breed	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
<b>SPRING HEIFER CALF, born after 3/1/26 and over 4 months of age</b>	H1	Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45	\$35	\$25
	A1	Ayrshire	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65				
	B1	Brown Swiss	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45	\$35	
	G1	Guernsey	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65				
	J1	Jersey	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45	\$35	
	M1	Milking Shorthorn	\$125	\$110	\$95							
	R1	Red & White Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45	\$35	\$25
<b>WINTER HEIFER CALF, born after 12/1/25 and before 3/1/26.</b>	H2	Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45	\$35	\$25
	A2	Ayrshire	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65				
	B2	Brown Swiss	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45	\$35	
	G2	Guernsey	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65				
	J2	Jersey	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45	\$35	
	M2	Milking Shorthorn	\$125	\$110	\$95							
	R2	Red & White Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45	\$35	\$25
<b>FALL HEIFER CALF, born after 9/1/25 and before 12/1/25.</b>	H3	Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45	\$35	\$25
	A3	Ayrshire	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75					
	B3	Brown Swiss	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45	\$35	
	G3	Guernsey	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75					
	J3	Jersey	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45	\$35	
	M3	Milking Shorthorn	\$125	\$110	\$95							

	R3	Red & White Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45	\$35	\$25
<b>SUMMER YEARLING HEIFER, born after 6/1/25 and before 9/1/25.</b>	H4	Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45		
	A4	Ayrshire	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85						
	B4	Brown Swiss	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55			
	G4	Guernsey	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85						
	J4	Jersey	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55			
	M4	Milking Shorthorn	\$125	\$110	\$95							
	R4	Red & White Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45		
<b>SPRING YEARLING HEIFER, (not in milk) born after 3/1/25 and before 6/1/25.</b>	H5	Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45		
	A5	Ayrshire	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75					
	B5	Brown Swiss	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65				
	G5	Guernsey	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75					
	J5	Jersey	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65				
	M5	Milking Shorthorn	\$125	\$110	\$95							
	R5	Red & White Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65				
<b>WINTER YEARLING HEIFER, (not in milk) born after 12/1/24 and before 3/1/25.</b>	H6	Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85						
	A6	Ayrshire	\$125	\$110	\$95							
	B6	Brown Swiss	\$125	\$110	\$95							
	G6	Guernsey	\$125	\$110	\$95							
	J6	Jersey	\$125	\$110	\$95							
	M6	Milking Shorthorn	\$125	\$110	\$95							
	R6	Red & White Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95	\$85						
<b>FALL YEARLING NOT IN MILK HEIFER, born after 9/1/24 and before 12/1/24. Heifers that have freshened, show in Fall Yearling in Milk class.</b>	H7	Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95							
	A7	Ayrshire	\$125	\$110								
	B7	Brown Swiss	\$125	\$110								
	G7	Guernsey	\$125	\$110								
	J7	Jersey	\$125	\$110	\$95							
	M7	Milking Shorthorn	\$125	\$110								
	R7	Red & White Holstein	\$125	\$110	\$95							
<b>Junior Champion Female Rosette</b>		All Breeds	\$150.00									
<b>Reserve Junior Champion Female Rosette</b>		All Breeds	\$100.00									
<b>JUNIOR BEST 3 FEMALES- This group is to consist of three (3) animals from Fall Yearling Not in Milk</b>	H8	Holstein	\$150	\$125	\$100							
	A8	Ayrshire	\$150	\$125								
	B8	Brown Swiss	\$150	\$125	\$100							
	G8	Guernsey	\$150	\$125								

<b>Heifer and under class, all bred by the exhibitor. Each exhibitor is limited to one entry. Registration papers must accompany entry to the ring.</b>	J8	Jersey	\$150	\$125	\$100									
	M8	Milking Shorthorn	\$150	\$125										
	R8	Red & White Holstein	\$150	\$125	\$100									
<b>FALL YEARLING IN MILK, born after 9/1/24 and before 12/1/24. Best udder in class– 1st Blue Ribbon</b>	H9	Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110								
	A9	Ayrshire	\$200	\$175	\$130									
	B9	Brown Swiss	\$200	\$175	\$130									
	G9	Guernsey	\$200	\$175	\$130									
	J9	Jersey	\$200	\$175	\$130									
	M9	Milking Shorthorn	\$200	\$175	\$130									
	R9	Red & White Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110								
<b>SUMMER TWO-YEAR-OLD COW, born after 6/1/24 and before 9/1/24. Best udder in class– 1st Blue Ribbon</b>	H10	Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110								
	A10	Ayrshire	\$200	\$175	\$130									
	B10	Brown Swiss	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110								
	G10	Guernsey	\$200	\$175	\$130									
	J10	Jersey	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110								
	M10	Milking Shorthorn	\$200	\$175										
	R10	Red & White Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110								
<b>SPRING TWO-YEAR-OLD COW, born after 3/1/24 and before 6/1/24. Best udder in class– 1st Blue Ribbon</b>	H11	Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100							
	A11	Ayrshire	\$200	\$175	\$130									
	B11	Brown Swiss	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110								
	G11	Guernsey	\$200	\$175	\$130									
	J11	Jersey	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110								
	M11	Milking Shorthorn	\$200	\$175										
	R11	Red & White Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100							
<b>WINTER TWO-YEAR-OLD COW, born after 12/1/23 and before 3/1/24. Best udder in class–1st Blue Ribbon</b>	H12	Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100							
	J12	Jersey	\$200	\$175	\$130									
	R12	Red & White Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130									
<b>FALL TWO-YEAR-OLD COW, born after 9/1/23 and before 12/1/23. Best udder in class–1st Blue Ribbon</b>	H13	Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100							
	J13	Jersey	\$200	\$175	\$130									
	R13	Red & White Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110								
<b>SENIOR TWO-YEAR-OLD COW, born after</b>	A14	Ayrshire	\$200	\$175	\$130									
	B14	Brown Swiss	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110								

<b>9/1/23 and before 3/1/24. Best udder in class–1st Blue Ribbon</b>	G14	Guernsey	\$200	\$175	\$130								
	M14	Milking Shorthorn	\$200	\$175									
<b>JR THREE-YEAR-OLD COW, born after 3/1/23 and before 9/1/23. Best udder–1st Blue Ribbon</b>	H15	Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100						
	A15	Ayrshire	\$200	\$175	\$130								
	B15	Brown Swiss	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110							
	G15	Guernsey	\$200	\$175	\$130								
	J15	Jersey	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110							
	M15	Milking Shorthorn	\$200	\$175									
	R15	Red & White Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100						
<b>SENIOR THREE-YEAR-OLD COW, born after 9/1/22 and before 3/1/23. Best udder–1st Blue Ribbon</b>	H16	Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100						
	A16	Ayrshire	\$200	\$175	\$130								
	B16	Brown Swiss	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110							
	G16	Guernsey	\$200	\$175	\$130								
	J16	Jersey	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110							
	M16	Milking Shorthorn	\$200	\$175									
	R16	Red & White Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100						
<b>Intermediate Senior Champion Female (Milking Fall Yearling -Senior Three-Yr-Old) – Rosette</b>		All Breeds											
<b>Reserve Intermediate Senior Champion Female (Milking Fall Yearling -Senior Three-Yr-Old) – Rosette</b>		All Breeds											
<b>FOUR-YEAR-OLD COW, born after 9/1/21 and before 9/1/22. Best udder–1st Blue Ribbon</b>	H17	Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100						
	A17	Ayrshire	\$200	\$175	\$130								
	B17	Brown Swiss	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100						
	G17	Guernsey	\$200	\$175	\$130								
	J17	Jersey	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100						
	M17	Milking Shorthorn	\$200	\$175									
	R17	Red & White Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100						
<b>FIVE-YEAR-OLD COW, born after 9/1/20 and before 9/1/21. Best udder–1st Blue Ribbon</b>	H18	Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100						
	A18	Ayrshire	\$200	\$175	\$130								
	B18	Brown Swiss	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110							
	G18	Guernsey	\$200	\$175	\$130								
	J18	Jersey	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100						

	M18	Milking Shorthorn	\$200	\$175								
	R18	Red & White Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100					
<b>AGED COW, born before 9/1/20. Best udder-1st Blue Ribbon</b>	H19	Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110	\$100					
	A19	Ayrshire	\$200	\$175	\$130							
	B19	Brown Swiss	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110						
	G19	Guernsey	\$200	\$175	\$130							
	J19	Jersey	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110						
	M19	Milking Shorthorn	\$200	\$175								
	R19	Red & White Holstein	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$110						
<b>100,000 LBS. MILK- Proof of actual production must be presented to the Breed Representative prior to show day. Best udder-1st Blue Ribbon</b>	J20	Jersey	\$200									
<b>125,000 LBS. MILK- Proof of actual production must be presented to the Breed Representative prior to show day. Best udder-1st Blue Ribbon</b>	R21	Red & White Holstein	\$200									
<b>150,000 LBS. MILK- Proof of actual production must be presented to the Breed Representative prior to show day. Best udder-1st Blue Ribbon</b>	H22	Holstein	\$200									
<b>COMPONENT/MERIT AWARD- Proof of actual production must be presented to the Breed Representative prior to show day. Best udder-1st Blue Ribbon</b>	B23	Brown Swiss	\$200									
<b>Senior Champion Female- Rosette</b>		All Breeds	\$150									
<b>Reserve Senior Champion Female- Rosette</b>		All Breeds	\$100									

<b>Grand Champion Female–Rosette</b>		All Breeds	\$300										
<b>Reserve Grand Champion Female</b>		All Breeds	\$175										
<b>SENIOR BEST THREE FEMALES- This group is to consist of three (3) animals, any age, all bred by the exhibitor. Each exhibitor is limited to one entry. All Animals must have calved at least once. Registration papers must accompany entry to the ring.</b>	H24	Holstein	\$250	\$200	\$150								
	A24	Ayrshire	\$250	\$200	\$150								
	B24	Brown Swiss	\$250	\$200	\$150								
	G24	Guernsey	\$250	\$200	\$150								
	J24	Jersey	\$250	\$200	\$150								
	M25	Milking Shorthorn	\$250	\$200									
	R24	Red & White Holstein	\$250	\$200	\$150								
<b>EXHIBITOR’S HERD OF FIVE FEMALES- This group, all owned by the exhibitor, consists of two (2) females that have freshened, two (2) females that have not freshened and any other female. None must be bred by the exhibitor. Each exhibitor is limited to one entry. Registration papers must accompany entry to the ring.</b>	H25	Holstein	\$250	\$200	\$150								
	A25	Ayrshire	\$250	\$200									
	B25	Brown Swiss	\$250	\$200	\$150								
	G25	Guernsey	\$250	\$200	\$150								
	J25	Jersey	\$250	\$200	\$150								
	M25	Milking Shorthorn	\$250	\$200									
	R25	Red & White Holstein	\$250	\$200									

***Herdsmanship Award***

To encourage the Great New York State Fair Dairy Cattle Exhibitors to maintain clean, attractive, educational displays to attract the public and promote the dairy industry of the state along with their herds.

<b>Rotation</b>	<b>Breed</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>5th</b>
1	Holstein, Red & White Holstein, & Milking Shorthorn	\$100.00	\$60.00	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
2	Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, & Jersey	\$100.00	\$60.00	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$20.00

In addition, the Great New York State Fair will have rosettes for the top five winners to be announced at the end of each week. In case of a tie, the final decision will be made by the Committee. There will also be

a permanent plaque displayed at an appropriate location on the Fairgrounds, engraved with the first-place names. Exhibitors will be judged daily. The committee members shall base their decision on the following:

- A. General appearance and neatness of the cattle and the exhibit area. (35 points)
- B. Positive presentation of the dairy industry and interaction with the public, staff and fellow exhibitors. (35 points)
- C. Educational value to the public- i.e., cow signs, decorations, personalized farm pictures and trophies. (20 points)
- D. Timeliness of chores, morning chores are to be completed by 9:00am (alley swept, area clean, cattle washed). (10 points)

**Premier Exhibitor & Breeder**

A Premier Breeder’s Banner will be awarded in each breed to the breeder (regardless of ownership) winning the most points on selected animals (not to exceed six) in open individual classes. Each animal must carry the same prefix. A breeder may nominate animals bred by him or her but exhibited by others. These animals must be nominated at the announcer’s box prior to the judging of group classes. A \$300.00 award will be given. In the event of a Tie, the exhibitor with the higher placing in the SENIOR BEST THREE FEMALES Class will be declared the winner.

A Premier Exhibitor’s Banner will be awarded in each breed to the exhibitor winning the most points on selected animals (not to exceed six) in open individual classes. A \$300.00 award will be given. In the event of a Tie, the exhibitor with a higher placing in the EXHIBITOR HERD OF FIVE FEMALES Class will be declared the winner.

For the Premier Breeder and Premier Exhibitor of the Heifer Show, the same rules will apply as listed above for Premier Breeder and Premier Exhibitor. Spring Heifer Calves through Fall Yearling Heifers (not in milk) are eligible for nomination. These calves and heifers may also be eligible for the overall Premier Breeder and/or Premier Exhibitor Awards. A \$100 award will be awarded in addition to the banner. In case of a Tie, the exhibitor with a higher placing in the JUNIOR BEST THREE FEMALES Class will be declared the winner.

Exhibitors of multiple owners will not be eligible for Premier Breeder/Premier Exhibitor unless those multiple owners have entered six (6) or more animals. A “transfer” of an exhibitor’s share of points will not be accepted. The points will be allowed only for the exhibitor as entered.

<b>Point System for Determining Premier Breeder &amp; Exhibitor</b>										
<b>Placing</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>Senior Females</b>	20	18	16	14	12	10	8	6	4	2
<b>Junior Female</b>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

### ***Special Breed Awards & Prizes***

Special awards and prizes will be given by each breed association for the 2026 Great New York State Fair.

### ***Supreme***

#### **Supreme Champion- Open Show**

The “Taryn Ashley Waterman Memorial Trophy” will be sponsored by Doug and Carol Waterman. A rotating trophy will be presented to the Supreme Champion each year. The Supreme Champion will be selected from the Grand Champion of each breed. A special award for the winner to keep will also be presented. The winner will be selected by a committee, chosen by the Waterman Family of Madison, NY., composed of a representative from each breed and Dr. Douglas F. Waterman. The award will be presented on the final Sunday of the fair at 7:00p.

#### **Supreme Champion- Junior Show**

The Supreme Champion will be selected from the Grand Champion of each breed of the Junior show. A special award for the winner to keep will also be presented. The winner will be selected by a committee composed of representatives from each breed. The award will be presented on the final Sunday of the fair at 7:00 p.