

Section A – YOUTH BEEF CATTLE

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Participants in the Youth Beef Program shall be members of organized youth programs in New York State. This includes members of recognized Breed Organizations as well as 4-H and FFA members. Youth participants must be at least eight years of age by January 1st of current club year and in the third grade or higher and not have reached their nineteenth birthday prior to January 1 of the current year.

NOTICE TO ALL EXHIBITORS:

There will no longer be a "Feed Store" on the grounds during the State Fair. All specialty grains, specialty hay and other items must be brought in by the exhibitor. There will be no delivery by vendors. Straw, shavings and some types of hay will be available from the Horse Show Feed Store. See order form in the back of the premium book.

IMPORTANT ARRIVAL INFORMATION

These rules affect all livestock and horses

- A. All **OPEN HORSES (except barrel racers or horse pull)** must enter gate #5 and take a left. Once unloaded, exit gate #5 and then enter at gate #7, follow directions to Horse/Livestock Parking in Black lot.
- B. All **OPEN BARREL RACERS AND HORSE PULL** must enter gate #6, follow perimeter road to Gate #11. Barns directly ahead. Unload at barn. Trailers park around back and front of barns. If not enough room, superintendent will direct you.
- C. All **DAIRY CATTLE** follow Rodeo Dr. near gate #5 which runs along the front of the Fairgrounds between the exterior fence and the railroad tracks. Vet check at barn and then unload. Exit Gate #2 and then enter Gate #6, follow directions to Horse/Livestock parking in black lot.
- D. All **BEEF CATTLE** enter gate #6, follow perimeter road until you come to staging area under the overpass. Attendants will direct you when you can proceed. Vet check at barn then unload. Proceed back down Belle Isle Rd. and exit Gate #11, then follow signs to Horse/Livestock Parking in Black Lot.
- E. All **OTHER LIVESTOCK** enter gate #6 to Gate #11. Take a left down Belle Isle Rd. Beef and horse barns on left. Goat, Llama, Sheep and Swine take a right onto Livestock Road. Vet check at barn/sheep tent and then unload. Proceed back down Belle Isle Road and exit at Gate #11, then follow signs to Horse/Livestock Parking in Black Lot.

ATTENTION

A photocopy of each animal's health papers does not have to accompany the entry form. Therefore, it is **IMPERATIVE** that you bring the original health papers with you for inspection upon arrival on the Fairgrounds.

New Health Requirements for 2019

All cattle and swine must be identified by an official USDA radio frequency identification (RFID) eartag, commonly referred to as an “840 RFID tag,” or an equivalent official RFID tag if the animal was tagged in another country. Cattle and swine which are already identified by 840 visual eartags will be exempt from the 840 RFID tag requirement.

The Department will supply a limited number of 840 RFID tags to producers for cattle and swine going to fairs. To order 840 RFID tags, please use the 2019 Order Form for Free Producer Ear Tags. https://www.agriculture.ny.gov/AI/AI-489_OrderForm_Producer_Ear_Tags.pdf

BVD-PI Testing

- All cattle, llamas and alpacas exhibited at NY county fairs or the State Fair must be negative to an approved test appropriate to detect Bovine Viral Diarrhea persistent infection (BVD-PI). The testing veterinarian is responsible to make 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, the identification of the animal and recording the test date on the CVI. If a previous test is not verifiable the test must be repeated.

Cattle

- Certificate of Veterinary Inspection with animals properly identified (see Animal Identification section above).
 - Rabies vaccination is required for all cattle 4 months of age or older (see above).
 - All cattle must be negative to an approved test appropriate to detect Bovine Viral Diarrhea persistent infection (BVD-PI). The date and results of the testing must be noted on the certificate of veterinary inspection.
 - All cattle must be vaccinated against bovine respiratory disease complex including bovine respiratory syncytial virus, bovine virus diarrhea, infectious bovine rhinotracheitis and parainfluenza with a product administered in a manner and time frame adequate to confer protective immunity for these diseases for the duration of the fair.
1. Crossbred cattle can be shown each rotation in the Youth Show **only**. Crossbred cattle are hybrid varieties that are not eligible for registry in any purebred breed association. Crossbred cattle can only be shown in one rotation per New York State Fair year.
 2. There is a Costume Class being offered, each rotation.
 3. The project record requirement is no longer in effect for breeding cattle. Records must still be completed on any cattle being shown in Classes 15 – 23. Steer records can be obtained from the following website: <http://4h.ansci.cornell.edu/animal-programs/beef/>
 4. No deviation will be permitted from the printed rules and regulations or in the numbers or descriptions of classes unless initiated by the superintendent or requested by the judge.
 5. All Youth Beef entries must be quality endorsed by a 4-H Cornell Cooperative Extension Youth Educator, FFA Advisor or authorized representative of a qualified breed organization (New York resident) before the NYS Fair will accept them. Animals **are not** required to show at a county or regional fair to qualify for NYS entry. Endorsement by an above-mentioned youth representative is necessary, however, for entries to be made.

Entry forms can be obtained from Cornell Cooperative Extension Youth Educators, FFA Advisors, and the Youth Beef Superintendent. Entries may be mailed directly to the Fair as soon as they bear the endorsement of a youth representative. In no case will an entry be accepted after August 12, 2019. No phone entries will be accepted. All entries should carry First Class postage, allowing at least 7 days for delivery.

Address your completed entry forms to Entry Department, NYS Fair, 581 State Fair Boulevard, Syracuse, NY 13209. A copy also is required to be mailed to the youth superintendent by the entry deadline, CCE of Cortland Co., Heather Birdsall, 60 Central Ave., Cortland, NY 13045

6. All Youth steers must have been under the care and supervision of the exhibitor since February 1 of the current year. All breeding animals must have been owned by and under the care and supervision of the exhibitor since June 15 of the current year. This should be verified by the Youth representative when quality endorsing entries.
7. All animals must be owned individually. Joint, syndicate, family, or farm ownership is not considered individual ownership. This means that the name on the animal's registration must be the youth showing the animal.
8. Any animal exhibited by a youth member may be subject to drug testing as deemed necessary by the Superintendent. In the event that a positive result is obtained, the youth will be barred from showing animals at the State Fair, forfeit all premium money and prizes, and will be referred to their Youth Organization representative.
9. Exhibitors with registered breeding cattle: All animals must have original registration papers accompanying them. No copies will be accepted. Registration must be solely in the name of the exhibitor or be accompanied by an accepted lease agreement dated and signed by a Cooperative Extension Youth Educator. If an exhibitor leases an animal, only one animal per exhibitor can be leased and the verification paper work needs to be completed by a 4-H, FFA or Junior Association representative. **A leased cow/calf pair is considered to be one animal.** No animals in Classes 15 – 23 may be leased.
10. Requests for late arrivals or early departures **MUST** be made in writing to the superintendent by closing date for entries to the Fair. Requests will only be accepted if exhibitor is coming from or going to another show. **NO** telephone requests or last minute arrangements will be accepted.
11. Each exhibitor may show any number of animals owned **solely** by him or her (as indicated on registration certificates), with no more than two (2) entries in any one class.

Additionally, all youth **must** show their own animals unless they have more than one animal in the same class, in which event **only another youth exhibitor** may assist them.

All Youth Exhibitors are required to show in showmanship classes. Indicate class on entry form when entering projects.

12. All Youth Beef entries must conform to the Animal Health Requirements of the Department of Agriculture and Markets. All cattle must be identified by an official USDA radio frequency identification (RFID) eartag, commonly referred to as an "840 RFID tag," or an equivalent official RFID tag if the animal was tagged in another country. Cattle which are already identified by 840 visual eartags will be exempt from the 840 RFID tag requirement.

The Superintendent is authorized and empowered to cause the removal from the buildings and grounds of all animals failing to meet the health conditions herein specified.

13. Special Activities: **All Youth Beef exhibitors are required to participate in a series of educational activities.** Consideration will be made in certain instances involving conflicts of these events.
14. Herdsmanship: Exhibitors whose cattle are housed with Open class animals will be eligible for the Open herdsmanship awards, not the Youth beef herdsmanship award. Herdsmanship is judged based on neatness and cleanliness of the exhibit, maintenance of courteous behavior at all times and cooperative attitude of the exhibitor.
15. The show ring is open in the evenings for working with animals unless the ring is prepared for a show the following morning. Permission must be obtained from the Open Class Superintendent.
16. Tie-out times are 7 p.m. and 6 p.m. on open show days. Animals MUST be tied in by 8 a.m. every day.
17. All Youth Hereford, Commercial, Shorthorn and Charolais heifers are to be in place by 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 21. They may arrive between the hours of 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 20 AND between 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 21. They will be released at a time specified by the Open Class Superintendent on Saturday, August 24.
18. All Youth Angus, Highland, Commercial heifers and market steers must be in place by 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, August 25. They may arrive between the hours of 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 24 AND between 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 25. They will be released by the Open Class Superintendent on Wednesday, August 28.
19. All Youth Simmental, White Park, Commercial and All Other Breed cattle must be in place by 9:30 a.m. on Friday, August 30. They may arrive between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 29 AND between 6:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. on Friday, August 30 and will be released at a time specified by the Open Class Superintendent on Monday, September 2.
20. Cow/calf class: Cow can be any age. Birthdate of the calf must be January 1 or later of the current year. Calf must be the natural calf of the cow, not an embryo transplant. Owner of the cow must be recorded owner of the calf. **Calf may be shown in individual class.**
21. Prospect calf: Eligibility for this class is limited to a bull or steer calf **currently being shown with his dam**, provided calf's birthdate is January 1 or later of the current year.
22. All Youth Department Beef participants staying overnight on the New York State Fairgrounds are to sleep in the Youth Dormitories. No Beef Youth Department participants may sleep in the Youth Department animal exhibit areas. The only exception for these overnight rules is for parents or legal guardians to stay in area hotels or campers on the State Fairgrounds. Parents and legal guardians who choose this option must turn in the Housing Exception Form available from their local Cornell Cooperative Extension Office. This exception does not include lodging or staying in an animal barn. Parents or legal guardians will assume full

responsibility for the action and well-being of each of their children for whom an exception is requested and approved.

Exhibitors showing under other Youth Organizations must contact the Youth Superintendent to obtain a permission form. Individual county rules will prevail where more restrictive.

23. The drinking age in New York is 21. Alcohol consumption by Youth will not be tolerated. Any Youth found drinking will be disqualified from the show and forfeit all premiums. Purchasing alcohol for an underage person and possession by a minor are both illegal in New York.

B. YOUTH BEEF CATTLE SCHEDULE:

(Note: Junior Breed Show information is provided for your planning convenience. Youth Show Superintendent does not coordinate these

Tues., Aug.20

3:00 – 9:00 p.m. First Rotation Cattle Arrive

Wed., Aug. 21

9:30 a.m. All First Rotation Heifers in Place
10:00 a.m. Youth Exhibitor Organizational Meeting
3:00 p.m. Junior Hereford Show

Thurs., Aug 22

1:30 p.m. Youth Show with Showmanship
5:00 p.m. Youth Beef Educational Program

Fri, Aug. 23

8:30 a.m. Open Charolais Show
12:00 noon Open Hereford Show
7:00 p.m. Potluck Dinner

Sat., Aug. 24

9:00 a.m. Open Shorthorn Show
3:00 p.m. Release of First Rotation Cattle
6:00 – 10:00 p.m. Arrival of Second Rotation

Sun., Aug. 25

9:30 a.m. All Second Rotation Cattle in Place
10:00 a.m. Youth Exhibitor Organizational Meeting
TBA Steer weigh-in
11:00 p.m. All-Breeds Junior Showmanship
12:00 noon Junior Angus Show*
4:00 p.m. Jr. Highland Show
5:00 p.m. Youth Beef Educational Program
TBA Records Interviews

Mon., Aug. 26

10:00 a.m. Open Angus Show
5:00 p.m. NYS 4-H Livestock Skillathon Contest Registration (Youth Arena)
7:00 p.m. Exhibitor Pot Luck Dinner

Tues., August 27

BEEF DAY

7:30 a.m. Arrival of Youth Livestock Judging Teams
9:30 a.m. Open Highland Show
3:00 p.m. New York State Supreme Champion Female Competition

Wed., Aug. 28

9:00 a.m. Youth Breed Show & Steer Show with Showmanship
4:00 p.m. Release of Second Rotation

Thurs., Aug. 29

4:00 – 9:00 p.m. Arrival of Third Rotation

Fri., Aug. 30	
9:30 a.m.	All Third Rotation Cattle in Place
10:00 a.m.	Youth Exhibitor Organizational Meeting
1:00 p.m.	Youth Breed Show
5:00 p.m.	Youth Beef Educational Program
Sat., Aug. 31	
9:30 a.m.	Open White Park Show
3:00 p.m.	All Breed Youth Showmanship
Sun., Sept. 1	
9:00 a.m.	Open Other Breed Show
12:00 p.m.	Open Simmental Show
7:00 p.m.	Potluck Dinner
Mon., Sept. 2	
3:00 p.m.	Release of Third Rotation Cattle.

* All Junior Breed entries done through Breed Associations. Times are subject to change.

C. SECTIONS & CLASSES

Section	Breed
AA	Polled/Horned Hereford
AB	Shorthorn
AC	Charolais
AD	Angus
AE	Highland
AF	American-British White Park
AG	Simmental
AH	Other Breeds – 3rd Rotation
AI	Crossbred – 1 st Rotation
AJ	Crossbred – 2 nd Rotation
AK	Crossbred – 3 rd Rotation
AL	Market Classes
AM	Fitting & Showmanship – 1 st Rotation
AN	Fitting & Showmanship – 2 nd Rotation
AO	Fitting & Showmanship – 3 rd Rotation
AP	Empire Market Steer Program
AQ	Beef Promotion/Educational Poster
AR	Costume Class

Breeding Classes

Class:

1. **Spring Heifer:** Calves born May 1 and after of the current year.
2. **Spring Heifer:** Calves born between March 1 and April 30 of the current year.
3. **Junior Heifer:** Calves born between January 1 and February 28 of the current year.
4. **Winter Heifer:** Calves born between November 1 and December 31 of preceding year.
5. **Senior Heifer:** Calves born between August 1 and October 31 of the preceding year.
6. **Late Summer Yearling:** Heifers born between June 16 and July 31 of the preceding year.
7. **Early Summer Yearling:** Heifers born between May 1 and June 15 of the preceding year.
8. **April Yearling:** Heifers born between April 1 and April 30 of the preceding year.
9. **March Yearling:** Heifers born between March 1 and March 30 of the preceding year.
10. **Yearling:** Heifers born between February 1 and February 29 of the preceding year.
11. **Yearling:** Heifers born between January 1 and January 31 of the preceding year.
12. **Senior Yearling:** Heifers born between September 1 and December 31 of the second preceding year.
13. Champion Heifer
14. Reserve Champion Heifer
15. **Cow and Calf:** Cow, any age, with natural calf born after Jan. 1 of current year.
16. Champion Cow and Calf

Class:

17. Reserve Champion Cow and Calf
18. **Junior Prospect Calf:** Male calves born between Jan. 1 and June 1 of the current year, **still nursing on cow.**
19. Champion Prospect Calf
20. Reserve Champion Prospect Calf
21. Supreme Champion Overall (Includes Classes 6, 9 and 12)

Market Classes – SECTION AL

Classes 22 – 30 are held ONLY during second rotation

Steer classes will be determined based on weights at show so make all entries under Class 22 and we will make class splits after weights.

Class:

22. Feeder Calf: All steers not nursing dam, under 1000 pounds
23. Champion Feeder Calf
24. Reserve Champion Feeder Calf
25. Light Weight Market Steer
26. Medium Weight Market Steer
27. Intermediate Weight Market Steer
28. Heavy Weight Market Steer
29. Champion Steer
30. Reserve Champion Steer

Fitting and Showmanship Classes – SECTION AM – 1st Rotation; SECTION AN – 2nd Rotation; SECTION AO – 3rd Rotation

All exhibitors are required to show in showmanship classes. Indicate on the entry form which class you will be entering.

Class:

31. **Novice Showmanship:** A novice showman is a youth who, regardless of age, is competing in their first season of showing.
32. **Junior Showmanship:** 13 years of age or younger as of Jan. 1 of current year.
33. **Senior Showmanship:** 14 years and under 19 as of Jan. 1 of current year.
34. **Master Showman:** The first and second place showman from the above classes will compete for Master Showman.

EMPIRE MARKET STEER PROGRAM – SECTION AP

Class:

35. **The Empire Market Steer Program** will take place during the second rotation. The program is an opportunity for youth to have their meat animal project evaluated on several levels. The program will evaluate a) live animal conformation; b) showmanship; and c) project records. These opportunities will be in addition to the regular youth beef program within the New York State Fair Youth Beef Cattle Division. This program is coordinated by the Youth Beef Program Staff with assistance from NYS Beef Producers. Any questions regarding this program can be addressed by the Youth Beef Superintendent.

Points will be awarded for evaluation with the lowest score taking top honors. For example, a first place in the conformation class will give participant one point. A second showmanship placing would give the participant two points. All three areas of participation will be added to get the final tally. All three areas must be completed to be eligible for the program.

BEEF PROMOTION/EDUCATIONAL POSTER – SECTION AQ

Class:

36. Poster may be any creative project that promotes some area of the beef industry. They will be displayed in the beef barn for each rotation.

COSTUME CLASS – SECTION AR

Class:

37. To be held at Superintendent/participants mutual convenience. Group, single and adult involvement encouraged. Categories: Humorous and Beautiful.