

DEPARTMENT 1 BEEF CATTLE

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Judging will be held on Saturday, July 23rd

1. NO water tubs, containers or pans will be allowed to remain in the Breeding and Market cattle stalls. A SMALL water bucket may be tied into the bucket bottle stalls. The water bucket must be secured at all times.
2. An animal showing in beef classes may not be shown in dairy classes.
3. Native Iowa cattle originating from a herd not under quarantine can be exhibited without other testing requirements.
4. 4-H members who exhibit 4-H Market Beef/ but do not exhibit in 4-H Breeding Beef classes, may, if eligible, exhibit in the FFA Breeding Beef classes. Likewise, 4-H members who exhibit in 4-H Breeding Beef classes, but not in 4-H Market Beef/ class may, if eligible, exhibit in the FFA Market Beef classes. Exhibitors in 4-H Market Beef classes may, if eligible, exhibit in the FFA Breeding Beef.
5. No powder or coloring agents except on the hooves will be allowed. All animals giving evidence of such treatment will be barred from exhibition. Projects, which show evidence of this (except for hooves), will not be permitted into the show ring. Animals will be scrutinized at the check-in area. If a color or coloring agent rubs off an animal rubbed with either a towel or hand, that animal will not be permitted in the show ring.
6. **All animals are to be groomed by the exhibitor as much as possible, with assistance from family members, another 4-H/FFA member or a 4-H Leader or FFA Advisor. Help must be done as an educational component meaning the exhibitor must be in attendance watching and participating in the process.**
7. **Families are allowed only one tack pen in the Cattle Barn**
8. Any questions and/or problems in an animal barn are to be addressed to the superintendent of the barn.
9. Stalls are to be cleaned daily of manure.
10. Stalls areas are to be cleaned before leaving the fair. No feed, hay, bags, bedding, or trash of any kind is to be left in the stall area or the barn.
11. Morning chores should be done by 8:00 a.m. and evening chores should be done by 7:00 p.m.
12. **Exhibitors may sell 1 market beef through the livestock sale, the market beef must have been shown in its perspective class.**

CLASS A-S – BREEDING BEEF

AN EXHIBITOR MAY NOT HAVE MORE THAN 2 ENTRIES PER LOT FOR BREEDING BEEF

1. Breeding Beef classes are open to exhibitors of grade, and crossbred beef females and male calves. Classes will be determined by animal's sex and age.
2. All intact bull calves may not be born before January 1, 2022.
3. Date of birth of animals will be displayed on a card worn by the exhibitor during judging.
4. Heifers will be judged from the standpoint of breed characteristics, type, quality, and conformation, with emphasis on future usefulness as breeding cows.
5. A heifer weighed in at the December weigh in may be switched to a breeding animal as long as the animal is identified as a breeding animal by May 15. The heifer may not be shown in the market class if it has been identified as breeding stock on May 15.
6. There will be Champion and Reserve Champion within each qualifying breed division. One over-all Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be selected. In Divisions, where there are less than 3 entries exhibitors, may be asked to show in Other Registered Breeds Division.
7. Bucket calf classes are defined as orphan calves and are not nursing calves in cow-calf unit

8. The Grand Champion Breeding Female will represent Van Buren County at Showdown.

ALL REGISTERED BREEDING BEEF ANIMALS MUST BE REGISTERED WITH THE RESPECTIVE BREED ASSOCIATION AND IN THE EXHIBITOR'S NAME OR THE FAMILY FARM/ RANCH NAME For example If the exhibitor is Jane Smith and the calf is registered to Smith Family Farms, A family relationship is known. If the exhibitor Jane Smith has a calf registered to Cedar Hills Ranch, Proof that Cedar Hills Ranch is Jane's Family must be provided. Proof of registration must be shown on or prior to entry day or the animal will be shown as crossbred

<p>Class A – American Aberdeen (% and Full Blood) Class B- American Blue Class C- Angus Class D- Buelingo Class E- Charolais (% and Full Blood) Class F- Chianina Class G- Gelbvieh & Gelbvieh Balancers</p>	<p>Class H- Chianina Class I- Herefords (Polled & Horned) Class J- Limousin & Lim Flex Class K- Maine Anjou & MaineTainers Class L- Miniature Herefords Class M- Red Angus (1A & 1B)</p>	<p>Class N- Salers Class O- Shorthorn & Shorthorn Plus Class P- Simmental (purebred, foundation, Sim Angus, SimBrah) Class Q- South Devon Class R- Crossbred Class S-All other registered breeds</p>
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LOTS FOR CLASSES A-S

Lot 1- Junior Bull Calf 1/1/22-6/30/22

Grand Champion Junior Bull Calf
Reserve Champion Junior Bull Calf

Lot 2- Junior Female 1/1/22 to 6/30/22
 Lot 3- Intermediate Female 7/1/21 to 12/31/21
 Lot 4- Senior Female 1/1/21 to 6/30/21
 Lot 5- Junior Yearling 7/1/20 to 12/31/20
 Lot 6- Senior Yearling 1/1/20 to 6/30/20
 Lot 7-Cows Before 12/21/19 Currently Nursing

Grand Champion Breeding Female
Reserve Champion Breeding Female

Lot 8 Cow with calf on side

*The superintendent reserves the right to split this class. If class is split it will be split the following: 2 year old cow with calf in side (1st calf Heifer), Mature Cow with calf on side (calf is not the cow's first calf).

Grand Champion Cow Calf Pair
Reserve Champion Cow Calf Pair

Overall Champion Breeding Female
Overall Reserve Breeding Female

Class T Bucket Bottle Calves

1. Calves must be identified on 4-H Online by May 15.
2. Calves identified as Bucket Bottle calves may only be shown in Bucket Bottle Classes.
3. A maximum of only two (2) calves may be exhibited at the fair.
4. Class is open to any newborn or orphaned heifer or male calf that is not nursing on a cow. Calves in a cow calf unit do not qualify for this class. Calf must be bucket or bottle fed. No nursing is allowed.
5. Calf must be born between Jan. 1 and May 15th of the current year.
6. Calf may be a beef, dairy or crossbred.
7. A male Bucket Bottle calf may remain a bull, but he will not be eligible for any of the Return Bucket Bottle Classes the following year unless it has been made a steer.
8. Calves will be shown on a halter. Showing the calf will be according to beef showmanship guidelines with an emphasis on what the member has learned.
9. Entries will be weighed during fair weigh-in on Wednesday so member may complete their Records.
10. Those wishing to come back in the Return Bucket Bottle classes will be tagged and tag number recorded during fair weigh-in so they may qualify for the Return Bucket Bottle Calf classes the next year. The Member is to notify the Beef Superintendent if they wish to have the calves tagged.
11. Classes will be divided by age of calves and will be determined by the Superintendents depending on number of entries.
12. In order to be eligible for the Return Bucket Bottle Class the following must be completed: Record Evaluation, Interview with Judge, Show ring evaluation. If not all completed they will not be eligible to show in the return bucket bottle class.
13. Evaluation of the project will be based on
 - A. Record Evaluation 200 points
 - B. Interview with judge 200 points
 - C. Show Ring Evaluation 100 points
 - D. Total Possible Points 500 points

Lot 10 - Calves born between 1/1/2022 and 2/28/2022

Lot 11 - Calves born between 3/1/2022 and 5/15/2022

CLASS RBB - RETURN BUCKET BOTTLE ANIMALS

1. Animals must have been exhibited in the prior year in a Bucket Bottle Class.
2. Animal must have the original tag from previous year or the tag must be produced if it has fallen out. Tag numbers will be verified in previous year's records.
3. Return Bucket Bottle Market steers and heifers must have been weighed and ear tagged during weigh-in in December.
4. No horns are to be present on any market animal. All animals are to be dehorned and completely healed by weigh in, Wednesday, July 20th . Scurs will be allowed.
5. No intact males are allowed in market class. All males are to be steers prior to the December 28th weigh in
6. Classes will be designated by superintendents and classes may be combined.
 - Lot 1 – Return Bucket Bottle Breeding Heifer Class
 - Lot 2 – Return Bucket Bottle Cow/Calf Class
 - Lot 3 – Return Bucket Bottle Market Heifer Class
 - Lot 4 – Return Bucket Bottle Market Steer

Grand Champion Return Bucket Bottle Breeding Female
Reserve Grand Champion Return Bucket Bottle Breeding Female

Grand Champion Return Bucket Bottle Market Animal
Reserve Grand Champion Return Bucket Bottle Market Animal

Class Z Orphan and Non Nursing Calves

1. Calves must be identified on 4-H Online by May 15.
2. Calves are to be identified as Breeding Beef not a Bucket Bottle Calf.
3. A maximum of only two (2) calves may be exhibited at the fair.
4. Class is open to any newborn or orphaned female or male calf that is not nursing on a cow. Calves in a cow calf unit do not qualify for this class. Calf must be bucket or bottle fed. No nursing is allowed.
5. Calf must be born between Jan. 1 and May 15th of current year.
6. Calf must be a beef calf. No dairy calves in this class.
7. A male orphan/non nursing calf may remain a bull.
8. Calves in this class will NOT be eligible for Bucket Bottle Classes or Return Bucket Bottle Calf classes.
9. Calves entered in the Bucket Bottle Calf classes are not eligible for this class. It must be one or the other, not both.
10. Calves will be shown on a halter and will be judged on conformity of the calf.
11. Classes will be divided by age of calves and will be determined by the Superintendents depending on number of entries.

Lot 1 - Calves born between 1/1/2022 and 2/28/2022

Lot 2 - Calves born between 3/1/2022 and 5/15/2022

Grand Champion Orphan or Non Nursing Calf
Reserve Grand Champion Orphan or Non Nursing Calf

CLASS BS – BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

- Lot 1 Senior Beef Showmanship
- Lot 2 Intermediate Beef Showmanship
- Lot 3 Junior Beef Showmanship

CLASS V – Market Beef

NO MORE THAN 3 ANIMALS MAY BE EXHIBITED IN THIS CLASS

1. All Market Beef projects are to be weighed at the scales ON THE FAIRGROUNDS on Wednesday, July 20th
2. Fair personnel will figure the average daily rate of gain from December 28th weigh-in date to July 20th and cards are to be made for each animal. All exhibitors will be expected to make their tags, which will be worn by the exhibitor in the ring. Exhibitors will also display this rate of gain on each stall card.
3. All market beef must have a 2.2-pound average daily gain from December to July 20th in order to receive a blue or purple ribbon. Any animal below 2.2 will automatically receive a red and will not be eligible to show for Champion or Reserve.
4. Weight and sex only will classify all Market Beef classes. No breed awards will be given to market cattle.
5. **No horns are to be present on any market animal.** All animals are to be dehorned and completely healed by weigh in, Wednesday, July 20th. Scurs will be allowed.
6. No intact males are allowed in market class. All males are to be steers prior to the December 28th weigh in
7. The winner of each weight class will be eligible to show for Grand Champion unless the animal did not have a 2.2 rate of gain. The remaining class winners and the second-place winner from the class in which the Grand Champion was selected will be eligible for Reserve Champion.
8. Steers weighing less than 900 lbs. and heifers weighing less than 850 lbs. will not be eligible to show for Grand Champion.
9. A heifer identified as a breeding animal on May 15th may not be shown in this class.
10. Market steers and heifers will be judged according to individual merit from market standpoint, taking into consideration conformation, quality, finish, and gain ability. Potential for future development will be a consideration in the placing of the Market Beef Calves class.

- Lot 1 Market Heifers
- Lot 2 Market Steers

**Grand Champion Market Heifer
Reserve Champion Market Heifer**

**Grand Champion Market Steer
Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer**

**Overall Grand Champion Market Animal
Overall Reserve Champion Market Animal**

**Grand Champion Rate of Gain
Reserve Champion Rate of Gain**

CLASS CBR – COUNTY BORN & RAISED MARKET ANIMAL

1. All animals entered in this class must have been born as well as raised in Van Buren County.
2. Documentation must be provided with the fair entry regarding birth place
3. Animal must be a market animal weighed in during the December weigh in date.
4. Animal may be a heifer or a steer. If necessary due to entry numbers, steers and heifers may be separated.
5. 1 entry per exhibitor

Grand Champion County Born & Raised Reserve Grand Champion County Born & Raised

CLASS U—FARM BUREAU ULTRASOUND

The animals will be evaluated using a formula, which considers ultra-sound information & A.D.G. to determine pounds of lean muscle produced per days on test. The Van Buren County Farm Bureau Federation will pay for 1 animal per exhibitor per species. Example you want 2 cattle you will have to pay for the other.

Grand Champion Ultrasound Reserve Grand Champion Ultrasound

Special Awards

Note: If you qualify for one of the following awards, notify the Extension Office with the necessary information.

1. The American Polled Hereford Association will donate a plaque to the champion Polled Hereford Heifer or Steer.
2. The Iowa Limousine Association is offering an award to any 4-H or FFA member exhibiting the Grand Champion if the animal is at least 75 percent Limousine.
3. The Iowa Simmental Association offers an award to members exhibiting Champions in different classes.
4. The winner of the County Born and Raised will receive a plaque from The Craig Family- Bob Craig Memorial
5. The winner of the Farm Bureau Ultrasound will receive an award from the Van Buren County Farm Bureau Federation.