

## LIVESTOCK PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

A complete copy of the LPR booklet (pumpkin yellow colored cover) was distributed in 2010 to the members that were enrolled in animal projects. It has been the intent of the Youth Committee that the booklet remain as a reference for **three years**. During that time, only minimum revisions would be made to the requirements. The **revisions for 2012** (L-2/2012)(blue) are listed below. This sheet should be attached to the materials previously mentioned.

### Current rules/requirements that need to be re-emphasized:

- General:*
- **FOLLOW** all Dress Code rules as stated in the fair book
  - **READ** the rules for your respective projects
  - **CHECK** pages **15 & 16 (back cover)** for Forms and Deadlines required
  - **NO LATE ID REPORTS, LATE FAIR ENTRIES, OR ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO FAIR ENTRIES will be accepted or allowed to be exhibited.**
  - proper identification eartags, tattoos, ear notches, etc. **MUST** be in place before arriving at the fair (**NO FRESH TATTOOS OR EAR NOTCHES ALLOWED**)

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### Revisions for 2012: (indicated in *bold print*)

*Beef: (page 2)*

BREEDING BEEF

Cow-Calf:

3. Classes will be based upon the breed of the **cow (instead of the breed of the calf)**.

Section B. Breeding Heifer classes:

C-K. Registered Heifers

L. Purchased Commercial Heifers

M. **County Bred & Raised Commercial Heifers**  
(**OMIT: Home Raised Commercial Heifers**)

### County Bred & Raised Commercial Heifers

1. Calves **MUST** have been born and raised in Jones County or by a Jones County 4-H family (even if outside of the county).
2. There will not be a Home Raised class. Therefore, animals previously designated as Home Raised would qualify for this class.
3. Verification of the producer/origin **MUST** be on file at the Extension office by Jan. 15.

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MARKET BEEF

6. Once the market steer is identified for its appropriate class (for example Registered, ~~Home Raised~~, County Bred & Raised, Purchased, etc.) on the Market Beef Identification Report (due January 15), they will not be allowed to be switched. (~~for example, steers identified as Home Raised will no longer be allowed to be switched to County Bred & Raised later in the year.~~) The exceptions to this rule would be for steers without proper verification information will be moved to the Purchased class, **and the possibility of transferring steers to the Performance Beef class.**

Section C. Market Beef classes:

N. Special Feeder Class

O. Market Heifers

P. Dairy Steers

Q. 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Bucket/Bottle Market Beef

**R. County Bred & Raised Steers (OMIT: Home Raised Steers)**

**S-W. Registered Steers**

**X. Purchased Steers**

**Y. Rate of Gain**

Home Raised Steers:

- ~~1. Calves **MUST** have been born and raised on the member's family operation.~~
- ~~2. A statement (verifying Home Raised origin) signed by the member and parent **MUST** be on file at the Extension Office by **Jan. 15**.~~

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- 2. There will not be a Home Raised class. Therefore, animals previously designated as Home Raised would qualify for this class.**
- 3. Verification of the producer/origin **MUST** be on file at the Extension office by Jan. 15.**

The Youth Committee has voted to eliminate the terminology "Home Raised" for both the breeding beef heifers and the market beef steers. This means that all animals formerly classified as "Home Raised" will now become eligible to be exhibited in the "County Bred & Raised" division. The reasoning for this decision is that it is becoming increasingly hard to define "Home Raised". Whose "Home" is it? What constitutes the "Home"? Are you referring to the "Home" or the "Family"? Originally, it meant the "Home" of the exhibitor. We are having a hard time confirming that today. Also, with large multi-family corporate farms, it sometimes becomes harder to identify the "Home". Who owns the cows? Etc. Therefore, to reduce the opportunity of needing a legal interpretation or getting into a legal battle, we feel that combining "Home Raised" with the "County Bred & Raised" is our best option to still recognize locally raised animals.

Another minor factor to consider is that we have always tried to follow state 4-H classifications as much as possible. In reality, the 4-H division at the Iowa State Fair does not even recognize either "Home Raised" or "County Bred & Raised". Therefore, eliminating at least one of these divisions reduces some of the conflict of our county and state classifications.

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Market Beef Fair Time (July)

5. Registered steers must present the original registration papers at Fair check-in-time (No copies). Steers without necessary registration papers will be shown in a **Purchased** class.

*Bucket/Bottle Calf: (page 5)*

5. Each member may identify and enroll up to 3 animals. Each member will be allowed to exhibit up to 2 animals at the fair, but cannot have more than one entry per class. **Members should not bring ineligible/extra calves to the fair.**

*Horse: (page 9)*

1. Each member may enroll a maximum of **four** animals as projects and may exhibit up to **four** projects but only ONE animal/entry in each class.

Horse and Pony classifications:

**Omit: D1 Driving Class**

*Poultry: (page 11)*

4. For **all sections (except Broilers) Chickens, Ducks, Geese, Turkeys, and Other Poultry**, each exhibitor is limited to one rooster/**drake/gander/tom/(over 1 year of age)**, one cockerel, **young drake, young gander, young tom/(under 1 year of age)**, one hen **(over 1 year of age)**, and one pullet **(under 1 year of age)** of a specific variety of a specific breed within a Section. Each exhibitor is limited to one pen of three. ~~For Ducks, Geese and Turkeys, each exhibitor is limited to one entry per breed. For Other Poultry, each exhibitor is limited to one entry per breed.~~