

Beef Department

Superintendents.....Eugene Greiner & Matt Collins
Judged.....Saturday, July 16, 8:00 a.m.

Market Beef beginning weigh-in date.....December 28, 2010

Market Beef ending weigh-in...July 13 (7a.m.-9 a.m.) - Cattle must be there before 9:00 a.m.

Days on test: 197 days

- Each exhibitor will be allowed to show a maximum of 5 head market beef. They may consist of: 1 calf from a pen of three, 3 halter calves, and 1 returning bottle/bucket calf.
- Return bottle/bucket calf must be designated at December weigh-in for market beef and by May 15 for breeding beef.

Market Beef Pen

1. Exhibitors may weigh-in and exhibit 3 animals. They must be weighed in by January 1 and will be reweighed at Expo to determine weight and rate of gain. If a pen animal dies before fair - exhibitors can still bring the remaining live animals. Exhibitors should make note of the death in pen records and alert Superintendents.
2. Calves of any breed or sex are accepted.
3. Animals must be dehorned.
4. Only 1 animal from the pen may show in an individual market class and must be designated on class entry cards by July 1.
5. Calves may be washed and brushed before arrival, but no clipping (unless being shown as a market entry) or coloring.
6. The pen is eligible for only one ribbon and one rate of gain placing as a pen average.
7. The average of the pen of 3 for carcass value per day on feed will be used to place a Champion and Reserve Champion pen carcass. Carcass premium will be figured by placing them as an individual.
8. Awards - The Champion pen of feeder cattle will be awarded for best animals and records. Senior and Junior Champion feeders will be awarded to individuals with the most knowledge of their project.
9. Any artificial means of removing or remedying physical defects of conformation in animals exhibited will be considered as fraud and deception. No unnatural means of providing an animal feed, water or other fluid (i.e. stomach pump etc.) will be allowed. All animals giving evidence of such treatment will be barred from exhibition.

Feeder Calves

1. Feeder calves are from cow/calf projects.
2. Classes will be divided by heifer, steers, bulls or age dependent on numbers.
3. Calves are recommended to be at least 1 month of age.
4. Calves should have current ear tags.

Breeding Beef

1. Entries limited to yearling heifers born between January 1 and December 31 of the previous year. Both cow and calf must be broken to lead.
2. Both heifers and cows calf pairs will be divided into classes by the superintendent according to age, breed and the number entered. Calves involved in the Cow/Calf class are recommended to be at least 1 month old. Calves are not required to have been Livestock ID'd but should have an ear tag.
3. All entries must be registered to show in the breed classes, except that the calves need only to be eligible to be registered. ***Purebred Registration Numbers are to be turned into the Extension Office no later than June 15.***

- 4. First and second place heifers and cows in all breeds are eligible to show for Supreme Champion female.
- 5. All registered and commercial heifers will be checked in after steer weigh-in. Registered heifers must be tattooed and registration papers must be presented at this time. All commercial heifers **MUST** have Ear Tags or Tattoos.

Produce

- 1. Any yearling that is an off spring of a former 4-H/FFA heifer project.
- 2. Need at least two of each to separate heifer and steer

Market Beef (steers and heifers)

- 1. All breeds will show together and the superintendents will divide the entries into classes on the basis of weigh-in weights at the fair.
- 2. Each exhibitor will be allowed to show a maximum of 5 head market beef. They may consist of: 1 calf from a pen of three, 3 halter calves, and 1 returning bottle/bucket calf.
- 3. Both market steers and market heifers may be entered.
- 4. Market heifers will show in separate classes and the first and second place market heifers will compete with the steers for Champion and Reserve Champion.
- 5. The first and second place individuals in each class will be eligible to compete for Champion and Reserve Champion in their weight divisions provided they receive a blue award.
- 6. The top **10** rate of gain calves will be announced during the show.
- 7. A carcass contest will be included and all market beef in the carcass contest will be placed on a grade and yield basis, per scanning information. The top 10 will be announced during the show.
- 8. Beef rate of gain will be displayed on the exhibitor’s shirt and the judge may use it at his own discretion.
- 9. Returning Bottle/Bucket or Produce entries may enter their respective classes and are eligible to show in their weight divisions. **Calves must have (or exhibitor must have) ear tags from the previous year. (Those calves not receiving 4-H tags in 2010 can get a tag from the Extension Office.**
- 10. Returning Bottle/Bucket Market Heifer or Steer Calves must be weighed in by January 1.

Class Number	Class Name	Beef Special Awards
12.100	Market Beef Pen of 3	Champion Pen Cattle Feeder - MidwestOne Bank
12.250	Heifer Feeder Calf	Senior Champion Pen Cattle Feeder - Mather Cattle Company
12.255	Steer Feeder Calf	Junior Champion Pen Cattle Feeder - Rick Bethke Family
12.220	Cow with Calf Pair	Champion Feeder Calf— Brubaker Trucking
12.300	Commercial Heifer	Supreme Champion Female - Clear Creek Stock Farm
12.315	Angus Heifer	Reserve Supreme Champion Female - Pat Snakenberg Family
12.325	Hereford Heifer	Champion Cow-Calf - Morse Feed & Grain
12.335	Simmental Heifer	Champion Simmental - Clear Creek Stock Farm
12.345	Foundation Simmental Heifer	Champion Commercial Heifer - PTL, The Shop
12.355	Maine Anjou Heifer	Champion Angus Heifer - Robert Stoner Family
12.365	Limousin Heifer	Champion Return Bottle-Bucket Heifer - Farmers Cooperative
12.375	All other Purebred Heifers	Champion Produce - Farm Credit Service of America
12.490	Return Bottle Bucket Heifer	Grand Champion Market Beef - Keokuk County Cattlemen
12.500	Produce of Dam, Heifer	Reserve Champion Market Beef - Wagler Motors
12.505	Produce of Dam, Steer	Champion Market Heifer - Dennis & Sheryl Clarahan
12.600	Individual Market Steer	Rate of Gain Champion - Noller & Frank
12.700	Individual Market Heifer	Senior Showmanship - Keokuk County State Bank
12.800	Return Bottle Bucket Steer	Intermediate Showmanship - Brubaker Trucking
		Junior Showmanship - Keokuk County State Bank
		Champion Return Bottle-Bucket Market Steer - Doug Gambell Family

Other breeds will be accepted per Iowa State Fair rules. If you have another breed please indicate on your entry cards.