

Herdsmanship

All exhibitors are expected to keep their quarters (including stalls, alleyways, exhibit areas, etc.) orderly, neat and as attractive as possible. Herdsmanship duties are the responsibility of the exhibitor, **NOT** the parents, leader, or other adults. All animal exhibit areas will be inspected and judged daily, and will not be judged in the same order. Judging will begin the day after the animals are stalled and animals will not be judged on their show day.

HERDSMANSHIP SCORING CATEGORIES (LIVESTOCK)

3=Good 2=Fair 1=Poor

1. **CLEANLINESS OF ALLEYS & STALLS OR PENS:** *Bedding adequate, bright, dry, clean and in place. *Animals securely tied. *Feed pans in front of animal only at feeding time. *Manure hauled out & deposited in proper place. *Alleys kept clean.
2. **ARRANGEMENT OF EXHIBIT:** *Hay / Feed neat and orderly. *Feed boxes, grooming equipment, blocking chutes kept out of public walkway. *All exhibits are labeled with stall card including club and 4-H'ers name.
3. **APPEARANCE OF ANIMALS:** *Animals cleaned and brushed. *Animals in stall or pens with the exception being during wash periods, exercise, show times, or tie-outs.
4. **ATTENDANTS:** *Courtesy of attendants in area.

Showmanship

Showmanship Rules

1. Showmanship is held in the following divisions: Beef, Dairy, Dairy Goats, Horses, Meat Goat, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, Swine
2. All exhibitors must exhibit their own animals and have been shown in a regular classes at the current Bremer County Fair.
3. Exhibitors will be judged based on: The animal conditioning and cleanliness. Presentation of animal - leading and use of necessary equipment for exhibition. Knowledge of the animal. Required attire: Should be clean white or light colored shirt or blouse or 4H/FFA t-shirt and dark colored jeans or slacks. Sturdy, closed-toes leather shoe or boots are preferred. (Exception of dairy exhibitors are required to wear white pants with white shirt.
4. There will be three divisions in each project (sheep, swine, beef, etc.):
 - Junior Division (Grades 4-6).
 - Intermediate Division (Grades 7-8)
 - Senior Division (Grades 9-12)
5. Members must participate in their respective division. Divisions will be shown as follows: Seniors, Intermediates, and Juniors.

***new*Animal Grooming and Exhibiting**

1. Youth exhibitors are expected to complete their own project work, which includes fitting and grooming. If assistance is needed, before fair, it should be aimed at helping the 4-H/FFA member learn new skills and be done by a family member, another Bremer County 4-H/FFA member, or an Iowa 4-H club leader, superintendent, FFA instructor.
2. On the fairgrounds during the Bremer County Fair, livestock must be cared for and groomed by the 4-her, family member, and/or another Bremer county 4-H/FFA member. *Immediate family members include

guardian, siblings, parents, grandparents, and/or step parents. No outside help will be allowed. This will be enforced.

3. No drugs or medications of any kind may be administered except by the order of the Veterinarian on the Expo grounds. Tranquilizers and/or show calm cannot be administered to any animal. All animals showing evidence of being medicated without prior approval will be barred from exhibiting. All animals are subject to drug testing.
4. 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 IV) will be allowed. All animals giving evidence of such treatment will be barred from exhibition at the Fair.
5. All classes will be broken after check-in by the superintendents and posted as soon as possible.
6. Blocking chutes must be in the assigned area, and will not be allowed in any aisle / alleyway.
7. Superintendents will assign pens / stalls for clubs. All animals must be penned in assigned club spots.