

## Open Class Dairy Cattle

### RULES

**The Rules of the Delaware County Fair Open Class Dairy Show are based on the rules as provided by the Iowa State Fair. Any questions arising in regards to the rules will be determined and decided based on these rules and the determination of the Delaware County Fair Society Board of Directors will be final.**

1. General rules, regulations and health requirements in the Open Class Livestock Premium Book apply in this department. In case general rules conflict with Dairy Cattle Department general or special rules, the latter shall govern. These rules can be read at <http://www.iowastatefair.org/competition/openclasslivestock.php>.

2. Entries may be made on forms available online at [www.delawarecofair.com](http://www.delawarecofair.com). Complete entry form and return it with **full payment** of all fees to: Delaware County Fair, P.O. Box 243, Manchester, Iowa 52057. No entries accepted without payment.

3. **ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE JULY 3.**

4. Each exhibitor, as a requirement for entry, will pay an entry fee of \$6 per animal, **Entry Fee must accompany entry or it will be returned.**

5. **All exhibitors will be expected to pay gate admission. No exhibitor passes will be issued.**

10. Substitution of animals entered will be permitted within and outside a class.

11. Health papers will be collected and checked by the individual breed clerk at check-in time.

12. **All animals must be stalled. No cattle are to be kept in trailers.** The Dairy Cattle Superintendent can reassign stalls based on entries and available space.

15. Farm Displays are encouraged but may be limited if stalling space is not available.

### SHOW RING CODE OF ETHICS

The showing of registered dairy cattle is an important part of the promotion, merchandising and breeding program of many breeders. Additionally, it is an important part of the program of the various dairy breed associations to stimulate and sustain interest in breeding registered dairy cattle. This relates to both spectators and exhibitors. In this connection, the Purebred Dairy Cattle Association, the Iowa PDCC and the Iowa State Fair believe that it is in the best interest of the breeders of registered dairy cattle to maintain a reputation of integrity and to present a wholesome and progressive image of their cattle in the show ring.

It is recognized there are certain practices in the proper care and management of dairy cattle that are necessary in the course of moving dairy cattle to and between shows that are advisable to keep them in a sound, healthy state so they might be presented in the show ring in a natural and normal condition.

Conversely, the following practices or procedures are considered unacceptable in the show ring of cattle.

A. The following practices or procedures are considered unacceptable and defined as being fraudulent and/or unethical in the show ring of registered cattle:

1. Misrepresenting the age and/or milking status of the animal for the class in which it is shown.

2. Treating the animal, particularly the udder, internally or externally, with an irritant or counter-irritant, or other substance to artificially improve the conformation.

3. Surgery or insertion of foreign matter under the skin, performed to change the natural contour of appearance of the animal's body, though not to preclude practices required or involved in normal management.

4. Criticizing or interfering with the judge, show management or other exhibitors while in the show ring, or other conduct detrimental to the breed or the show.

B. Setting teats or manipulating a teat or alter its normal position such as to unnaturally hold it plumb or to alter its length is unacceptable and shall be given slight to serious discrimination by the judge.

C. The following practices and procedures are considered to detract from the image of the show ring when carried to excess and will be given slight to serious discrimination in placing within class.

1. Excessive manipulation of hair.

2. Use of artificial hair except for false switches.

3. Unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of show person.

D. The following practices should be encouraged to enhance the image of the show.

1. Establish uniform dress code for exhibitors in the show ring.

2. Recognize good herdsmanship and exhibits in the barn.

In keeping with the basic philosophy of the PDCA, ethics are an individual responsibility of the owner of each animal shown.

**Violation of the Show Ring Code of Ethics will result in disqualification of the animal. The exhibitor may also be banned from showing in future years.**

### SPECIAL BREED RULES

**Ayrshire** - GR prefix and above animals are eligible to be shown.

**Brown Swiss** - All Brown Swiss animals registered in the official herdbook with six digit registration numbers are eligible to show. Step II IE Identity Enrollment animals which have a 379 plus six digit registration number or step 2 of the IE program may also be shown.

**Guernsey** - GR prefix and above animals are eligible to be shown.

**Holstein** - Animals that are 87% registered or higher are eligible to be shown.

**Jersey** - GR prefix and above are eligible to be shown.

**Milking Shorthorn** - Any animal that has official herdbook registry papers (six digit number) issued by the American Milking Shorthorn Association and has any black hair cannot be shown at any show, including field days. Upgrade animals in the third generation are eligible to be shown.

### DAIRY PARLOR

A milking facility will be available during the Fair. The sale of milk will go to help defray cost of operating the dairy show.

Do not offer milk for sale from cows treated with any antibiotics. Random sampling of cattle will occur to check for antibiotic residues.

## CLASSIFICATION FOR OPEN DIVISIONS

### FEMALES

#### All Breeds

- Junior Heifer Calf - born March 1, 2009 - May 31, 2009
- Intermediate Heifer Calf - born December 1, 2008 - February 28, 2009
- Senior Heifer Calf - born September 1, 2008 - November 30, 2008
- Summer Yearling Heifer - born June 1, 2008 - August 31, 2008
- Junior Yearling Heifer - born March 1, 2008 - May 31, 2008
- Winter Yearling Heifer - born December 1, 2007 - February 29, 2008
- Senior Yearling Heifer - born September 1, 2007 - November 30, 2007
- Two Year Old Cow - born September 1, 2006 - August 31, 2007
- Junior Three Year Old Cow - born September 1, 2005 - August 31, 2006
- Four Year Old Cow - born September 1, 2004 - August 31, 2005
- Aged Cow - born on or before August 31, 2004
- Senior Yearling in milk will be shown in Two Year Old Class.

### CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

- Junior Champion Female . . . . . Banner; Reserve-Banner
- Senior Champion Female . . . . . Banner; Reserve-Banner
- Grand Champion Female . . . . . Banner; Reserve-Banner
- Supreme Champion Female . . . . . Banner; Reserve-Banner

### BEST UDDER

First place Best Udder from each of the milking classes will be selected by the judge.

### Premiums

**Premiums will be paid and ribbons awarded to the first three places in each class.**

All Breeds	1st	2nd	3rd
Junior Heifer Calf	15	10	6
Intermediate Heifer Calf	15	10	6
Senior Heifer Calf	15	10	6
Summer Yearling Heifer	15	10	6
Junior Yearling Heifer	15	10	6
Winter Yearling Heifer	15	10	6
Senior Yearling Heifer	15	10	6
Two Year Old Cow	18	12	6
Junior Three Year Old Cow	18	12	6
Four Year Old Cow	18	12	6
Aged Cow	18	12	6

### CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

Junior Champion Female	50	25
Senior Champion Female	Ribbon	Ribbon
Grand Champion Female	100	50
Supreme Champion Female	100	50