



2015 NORTH DAKOTA JUNIOR BEEF EXPO RULES

CATTLE SHOW

1. Open to all FFA, 4-H and junior breed association members. North Dakota residency is not a requirement. Exhibitors must NOT have reached their 22nd birthday prior to show day.
2. All livestock health requirements must be met. Although North Dakota exhibitors will not be required to provide health certificates, they are expected to police their own animals for any potential health problems (i.e. warts, ringworm, etc.). A certificate of veterinary inspection is required on all animals entering the state, as is brand inspection. A brand inspector will be on-site Saturday for return inspections.
3. **Entry deadline is June 2.**
The entry fee of \$20/heifer, \$20/cow-calf pair or \$30/steer must accompany each form. Each exhibitor will receive show premiums, a free t-shirt and one free meal on Friday night. **Entries postmarked after June 2 will be assessed with a late fee of \$10 per animal.** (Cow-calf pairs are considered as one entry).
4. Each exhibitor may enter as many animals as he or she wishes. No substitutions allowed. Each exhibitor must show his or her own animals. No exceptions will be allowed except for illness or emergency. If the exhibitor has two animals in the same class, another junior may show the second animal. Notice must be given to the North Dakota Junior Beef Expo Co-Chairmen prior to the show.
5. **Ownership:**
 - (a) Animals must be owned and registered by the exhibitor or his or her immediate family. In the case of commercial heifers or steers, animals must be owned by the exhibitor or his or her immediate family.
 - (b) The date of ownership must be on or before March 1, 2015, for steers, and May 1, 2015, for heifers. Registration papers of those participating in the Junior Point Show Program will be checked.
6. All exhibitors are responsible for the welfare of their animals. Exhibitors are expected to provide adequate feed, water, bedding and housing for the comfort of their animals. We encourage the humane treatment of animals, and mistreatment will not be tolerated. The comfort and safety of the animal must be addressed throughout the show. Exhibitors are expected to handle their animals in a gentle and calm manner and not create undue excitement in the vicinity of other livestock or people.
7. Artificial means of removing or remedying any physical defect is not allowed. Other than dehorning and castration, the surgical or non-surgical alteration of the conformation of an animal is prohibited. The use of false tail heads or adding hair or hemp to any part of the animal's body is prohibited. All cattle shall be made available for a veterinary examination if requested.
8. The show will be conducted in compliance with the North Dakota Point Show Association and results will be turned into the NDPSA. Since cow-calf pairs are not eligible for NDPSA points, the cow-calf classes will follow the selection of the champion heifers in their respective breeds. Exhibitors will be expected to comply with any additional rules and regulations set by their individual breed associations.
9. By entering cattle in the North Dakota Junior Beef Expo, the exhibitor agrees to abide by all show rules. Final interpretation of show rules will be made by officials of the North Dakota Junior Beef Expo. Their decision will be final.
10. No butt fans are allowed. Overhead or cage fans will be permitted. No chutes in barns, except where designated or in the event of inclement weather. Aisles should remain free of show boxes, equipment and chairs.
11. There will be no tie-outs available during the shows. Cattle are welcome to stay in the Expo barn or in your trailers.

OTHER CONTESTS

SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST:

- Individuals who have cattle entered in the show will automatically be included in the showmanship contest.
- Contestants will compete in two age groups (Junior Division: 0-13; Senior Division: 14-21).
- The senior division will compete first, then the junior division.
- Contestants must show their own animals. No substitutions.
- A champion and reserve champion will be named in both the junior and senior divisions.

CARCASS MERIT CONTEST:

- All steers entered at Junior Beef Expo will be automatically entered in this separate carcass contest and must be weighed and ultrasound scanned. Neither the steer show nor the carcass contest will have any influence on the other.
- On Saturday afternoon, the ultrasound technician will use oil when scanning. Steers will not be clipped. They should, however, be clean with minimal back and topline hair. Steer exhibitors should bring their steers to the scan area immediately following the Western Star steer show.
- All steers will be evaluated on a quality grid. The results may be available immediately but will also be posted on the NDSA website, www.ndstockmen.org, e-mailed to contest participants if we have your e-mail address and posted on the NDJBE Facebook page.

SUPREME HEIFER:

- Following the last breed class, the champion and reserve heifers from each breed will compete for Supreme Heifer honors. The Supreme Heifer will receive at least \$500 cash and a prize, Reserve Supreme Heifer will receive at least \$350 and a prize and Third-, Overall Heifer will receive at least \$200 and a prize.

AG OLYMPICS & SHOWMANSHIP DEMO:

- Sign up for this activity at registration on Saturday.

COLORING ACTIVITY:

- Coloring pictures will be available at the show as a fun activity. Colored pictures will be displayed at the Expo and juniors will receive a participation ribbon. Juniors must pick up their pictures at the end of the day. Pictures will not be mailed back.

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST:

- Entries must be color or black-and-white 8x10 or 8x12 prints. NO mats, frames or digital entries, please. Entries must include exhibitor’s name, date of birth, age as of June 26, parents’ names, address and phone number.
- Mail entries to Junior Beef Expo, NDSA, 407 S. 2nd St., Bismarck, ND 58504, by June 18, or hand deliver to the NDJBE registration office before 2 p.m. June 23.
- Photos must relate to rural North Dakota or livestock. Limit of five entries per exhibitor.
- All photos become the property of the North Dakota Stockmen’s Association, with all rights to the photographs. Photographs will not be returned.
- Entries will be judged and voted on as “People’s Choice” in two categories: Junior Division (ages 0-13) and Senior Division (ages 14-21). Premiums will be paid on first (\$10) and second (\$5) places in both categories.

JUNIOR BEEF EXPO SCHOLARSHIP:

- See www.ndstockmen.org for details.

HARDEST WORKER AWARD:

- The winner will be selected based on hard work, participation in events and overall enthusiasm. A plaque will be awarded.

STOCKMEN’S MEMBER AWARD:

- All North Dakota Stockmen’s Association members will be eligible for a \$100 drawing.
- The junior must either be a student NDSA member or the child of an NDSA member.

AWARDS:

- Premiums will be paid out dependent upon the number of head in each class.
- Each breed association is responsible for providing the awards for its heifer show.
- Buckles will be awarded for Grand Champion Junior Showman, Grand Champion Senior Showman, Grand Champion Cow-Calf Pair, Grand Champion Steer and Supreme Champion Heifer.
- A custom plaque will be awarded for Reserve Champion Junior Showman, Reserve Champion Senior Showman, Reserve Champion Cow-Calf Pair, Reserve Champion Steer.
- Carcass Merit Contest: Contestants winning Grand and Reserve Champion steer honors on a quality grid will receive an award.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ACCOMMODATIONS:

- A block of rooms has been reserved at the Holiday Inn Riverside (\$105 + tax). Refer to the Junior Beef Expo block when calling. Or go to www.ndstockmen.org to access the reservation link.

Holiday Inn Riverside.....701-852-2504

HOTEL ROOMS WILL BE RELEASED JUNE 11!

CAMPING:

- Onsite camping if available. The cost to park a camper is \$20/day. You may also pitch a tent for free!

SILENT AUCTION:

- A silent auction for the benefit of the Junior Beef Expo Scholarship Fund will be held June 27. If you, your family, youth organization or breed association would like to donate an item for the auction, please send it to North Dakota Stockmen’s Association, 407 S. 2nd St., Bismarck, ND 58504 ahead of time or bring it along to the show and check it in during registration.

ENTRY FORMS:

- Entry forms are available by visiting www.ndstockmen.org (under “Awards, Events & Youth Programs”). You may also call 701-223-2522 or e-mail ndsas@ndstockmen.org. Checks should be payable to the NDSA.

Junior Beef Expo
407 South 2nd St.
Bismarck, ND 58504

- PLEASE SEND **WARD COUNTY SHOOTOUT** ENTRIES TO THE ADDRESS ON THEIR FORMS AND **NDJBE** ENTRIES TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS. THANK YOU!

See you at the show!

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