

2010 STARK COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR DAIRY MARKET STEERS PROJECT RULES

GENERAL RULES & REQUIREMENTS

1. Any boy or girl, enrolled in a Stark County youth organization is eligible. They must abide by the rules and age limitations of said youth organization. (4-H, FFA, etc.)
2. First year steer members may weigh in 2 dairy steer animals but may only bring ONE dairy steer to the fair. Second year steer members and over may weigh in 4 dairy steer animals but may only bring TWO dairy steer animals to the fair. (*See special rules for the Carcass show.)
3. All members will be responsible for the care of their animals from the official date of enrollment, December 5, 2009, until 4:00 p.m. the last day of the 2010 Stark County Fair. (*See special rules for the Carcass Show)
4. No one is to handle a junior fair member's animal(s) without the permission of the junior fair exhibitor unless there is an emergency.
5. Dairy market steers **MUST** be 100% one of the following breeds: Holstein, Jersey, Guernsey, Brown Swiss, Ayrshire, or Milking Shorthorn. Dairy steers may be crosses of any of these dairy breeds. **NO BEEF CROSSES WILL BE PERMITTED. Committee reserves the right to make the final decision on breeds.**

Note: It is MANDATORY for All Junior Fair Exhibitors that are taking market animals and/or lactating animals to attend a QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING CLINIC prior to the fair AND complete a DRUG USE NOTIFICATION FORM prior to show. Those who do not comply WILL NOT be allowed to show. Mandated by the Ohio Department of Agriculture Ohio Revised Code 901-19-06 and 901-19-07. All members will be responsible for the care of their market animals until 4:00 p.m. the last day of the 2010 Stark County Fair, or until the drug withdrawal period elapses, or if quarantined.

6. All dairy market steers will be identified, ear-tagged and weighed by the Junior Fair Dairy committee on December 5, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. to Noon at the fairgrounds. (Bad weather date will be December 13th.)
 - a. The exhibitor shall be required to sign an enrollment slip (weight card) acknowledging the breed and weight of the steer as it appears on this slip.
 - b. The Dairy Committee reserves the right to make final judgment, should a question arise.
 - c. If a dairy steer loses an ear tag, the advisor and a Dairy Committee member must be notified immediately so the tag can be replaced (at the fairgrounds).
- NOTE: ALL CARCASS DAIRY MARKET STEERS must be brought to weigh-in.**
(See special rules for Carcass Show)
7. Market dairy steers must be castrated and de-horned by December 1st.
 8. Market dairy steers showing permanent teeth at the start of the 2010 fair may be disqualified from competition by committee action.
 9. Market Dairy steers must weigh a minimum of 900 pounds and also must have gained an average of at least 1.50 pounds per day, average daily gain, between December 5th enrollment and fair weigh-in. Lightweight or under-gained market beef may enter competition in the show ring. (Unless other problems pertain) but may not qualify for Grand Champion or Reserve Champion.
 10. Dairy steers must not be taken from the fairgrounds before the time specified by the Senior Fair Board. All displays must remain intact until 6:00 P.M. the last day of the fair. At that time all displays and decorations must be removed. **BARN WILL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC AT 4:00 P.M. FOR LOAD OUT OF MARKET ANIMALS.**
 11. Any losses or condemnation at slaughter, etc., will be the sole responsibility of the exhibitor. Members must comply with State Regulations. See advisors or the Fair Board Office for current rules of health certificates.
 11. The matter of insurance will be the sole responsibility of the exhibitor.
 12. A member's Dairy Market Steer project exhibit must be stalled in the area assigned for his/her project. No other stall location will be permitted.

13. **Market dairy steers to be shown in live show must be identified on the entry form, due JULY 23. The Dairy Committee will strictly enforce all deadline dates, rules and regulations!**
14. All grooming chutes and awnings must be at least twelve feet from the dairy barn and the goat/sheep barn.
15. All grooming chutes must be removed from the fairgrounds by 10:00 a.m. Sunday after the shows. All awnings must be removed by 10:00 p.m. on Thursday after the shows.
16. All fans must be placed at the sides or at the heads of the animals. **Absolutely no "butt" fans will be permitted.**

RULES FOR LIVE DAIRY MARKET STEER SHOW

1. Dairy steers must be broken to lead by fair time.
2. All dairy steers must be shown by the club member who is enrolled in the project. Medical exceptions at the discretion of the committee. **In the case of an exhibitor having two animals in the same class, the second animal must be shown by a member who is currently enrolled in a Stark County Junior Fair organization.** (Please see rule A1 regarding enrollment.)
3. All dairy steer show grooming must be done by Stark County Junior Fair exhibitors or their immediate family (mom, dad, brother, sister). This includes all projects entered in the Stark County Jr. Fair show during the Stark County Fair August 31 through September 6, 2010.
4. Dairy Market Steers should be fitted and shown in the same manner as a beef animal. The use of show sticks is permitted.
5. A show halter (no rope), show stick and number card holder (back or belt) must be used.
6. The members must wear clean clothes. Clean jeans and western shirt or blouses are recommended. Tee shirts, slogan shirts, hats or clothes with advertising on them are highly discouraged. **Solid shoes or boots must be worn-- NO tennis shoes.**
7. Each exhibitor is responsible for getting his/her animal in the correct class as announced.
8. Dairy steers will be shown by breed and then subdivided into weight classes.
9. There must be at least 5 dairy steers of the same breed in order to have a breed class.
10. Any animal not receiving an "A" grade may not be considered for Champion or Reserve Champion placing or awards.
11. The Grand Champion will be chosen from all champions from all breeds. The Reserve Grand Champion will be chosen from the remaining champions and the Reserve Breed Champion from the Grand Champion class, at the conclusion of the show. Placing ribbons will be awarded to all entrants.
12. Animals with horns (skull attached), scurs (skin attached), testicular tissue, or unruly animals (to the point where the Dairy Market Steer Committee considers it to be a safety hazard) will not be shown in the show ring.
13. **The Stark County Junior Fair Dairy Committee will make the final decision on questions that are raised.**

RULES FOR DAIRY MARKET STEER SHOWMANSHIP

1. **Dairy Market Steer Showmanship will be held on Tuesday, August 31 immediately following the Dairy Beef Feeder Showmanship which starts at 9:00 a.m.**
2. Class order (age as of January 1, current year)

SENIOR DIVISION	15 YEARS AND UP
INTERMEDIATE DIVISION	12 – 14 YEARS
JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP	9 – 11 YEARS
FIRST YEAR SENIOR SHOWMANSHIP	13 YEARS AND UP
FIRST YEAR JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP	9 – 12 YEARS
4. Members may win in their class only once.
5. Members must use their own dairy steer.
6. Champion of Champion: The winners of each division are eligible for the Champion of Champion class until they become eligible for the next age division. They must win that division before they are eligible for the Champion of Champions class again. Winners can only win once in their age group, then they are eligible for Champion of Champions only until they reach the next age division.

**In the event that a project animal dies after the designated possession and/or weigh-in date, members will not be permitted to replace the animal for the purpose of exhibition or sale in any Junior Fair event (including carcass classes).
Members are expected to report immediately the death of any project animal to the respective committee chairperson**

D. SALE OF MARKET BEEF

1. A. Dairy Market Steers will be sold in the order placed by the judge and Dairy Committee.
B. Any dairy steer not in sale place at the proper time will sell at the end of the sale.
2. Clean attire, solid shoes or boots and a show halter are required to lead dairy steer in the sale ring.
3. To cover advertising "Thank You's" and miscellaneous expenses, 8% plus \$1 for the Grand Champion, 5 ½% plus \$1 for the Reserve Champion, and 3% plus \$3 for all others will be deducted from each check. All champion animals (including carcass animals) will also be assessed an additional amount for the purpose of buying plaques to give to the buyers.
4. Any animal not shown in the ring will not be permitted to be sold at the fair.
5. On the night of the sale, each exhibitor will be receiving an envelope. **DO NOT GIVE IT TO YOUR BUYER.** Inside the envelope there will be instructions (please read them) and Thank you cards for your buyer(s). Cards will need to be filled out and deposited in the box at the display in the Dairy Barn at the fair. **Deadline for turning on Thank You cards is 12:00 (noon), Monday, September 6, 2010.** Missing the deadline will result in the delay of receiving your check for your project.

E. EXHIBIT OF MARKET BEEF

1. All dairy steers are to be housed and exhibited in the assigned Junior Fair space. It is recommended that each club develop an attractive display and include 8 foot panels and kickboards to separate clubs, and also, give a uniform aisle width.
2. Dairy Steers are to be double restrained in the barn at the fair. One restraint is to be a halter; the second restraint is to be a collar or necktie.

CARCASS SHOW

GENERAL RULES & REQUIREMENTS

All of the general rules and requirements of the traditional Junior Fair Dairy Market Steer Program pertain, except:

RULE 1: One dairy steer may be entered in the Junior Fair Dairy Market Steer Carcass show – per member. This entry may be in addition to regular dairy market steer show entry/entries. No change is made in the number of dairy steers that may be nominated on December 5, 2009, for the dairy market steer program. Number of dairy market steers to be shown in carcass class must be identified on fair entry form, due **JULY 23**. The Dairy Committee will strictly enforce all dates, rules and regulations.

RULE 2: To be considered for Grand and Reserve Champions, carcasses must weigh a minimum of 600 pounds. While there are no live weight rules, exhibitors should keep in mind the relationship of carcass weight to live weight. (Carcass weight is usually 60 – 65% of live weight) **Subject to change.**

RULE 3: Market beef will be presented for live evaluation on Sunday, August 22, 2010 between 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. The live evaluation will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Stark County Fairgrounds. Pre-fair project meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m.

CARCASS SHOW (Live Evaluation)

1. All market beef must be shown by the exhibitor who is enrolled in the project.
2. A clean rope halter should be used during the live evaluation.
3. Members must wear clean clothes and solid shoes or boots in the show ring.
4. Market beef will be shown in an order determined by the committee. All animals will be shown in one class unless the committee decides a split is needed due to the number of entrants.
5. All market beef will be shown in a damp brush-down condition. Fitting is discouraged.
6. The live show is an exhibition and an educational clinic. NO showmanship contest will be held.

7. The Junior Fair Market Beef Committee reserves the right to ban any animal from the show **if that animal is unruly and a threat to the safety of other animals and people.**
8. Member must lead their animal in area so designated by the committee.
9. To be eligible for Grand and Reserve Champion, member must be present at the cooler judging.

CARCASS CONTEST (Cooler Evaluation)

1. All market beef eligible will be transported to Kiko Meats for slaughter.
2. Market beef will be graded and the appropriate stamp will be rolled.
3. Final placing and awards for the Carcass Contest will be determined by the judge.
4. Carcass judging will be on Thursday, August 26, 2010, 6:00 p.m. at Kiko Meats in Minerva.

SALE OF CARCASS MARKET BEEF

1. The Champion and Reserve Champion Market Beef Carcasses will be sold at the Live Dairy Market Steer Auction on September 1, 2010 (no other carcass animals will be sold at the auction). A sale commission of 8% plus \$1.00 will be deducted from proceeds of the auction of the Champion and a 5.5% plus \$1.00 commission will be assessed on the Reserve Champion Carcass.
2. Exhibitors are to find buyers for their carcass animals.

ENTRY DATE

The entry dates and deadlines for the Carcass Contest are the same as for the traditional dairy market steer show and all deadlines will be strictly enforced.

OTHER RULES MAY BE ADDED OR CLARIFICATIONS PROVIDED IF DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE COMMITTEE.

****NOTE: Members taking a carcass project should make a poster to be displayed in the barn during the fair. Members displaying a poster will receive a premium for their carcass projects.****

The Carcass project is recognized as one of the most valuable learning experiences in beef production that exhibitors can take part in and is highly recommended. It is also noted that this program likely will not result in the high premium prices that exhibitors in the traditional market project have enjoyed in recent years. (Going market rate)

2009 - 2010 DAIRY MARKET STEER PROJECT DATES

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| December 4 | - Weigh-in set up, 7:00 p.m. |
| December 5 | - Dairy Market Steer Tag & Weigh –In at fairgrounds 8:00 a.m. – NOON |
| June | - Dairy Market Steer/Market Beef Showmanship Clinic Time TBA |
| July 23 | - ENTRY DEADLINE. Enrollment is due to Junior Fair Coordinator prior to this date! |
| August 22 | - Dairy Market Steer Carcass Weigh-in 5:30 p.m. – 6: 30 p.m. |
| August 22 | - Beef committee/Dairy committee and member project meeting at fairgrounds 6:30 p.m. All members and advisors should attend. |
| August 22 | - Dairy Market Steer Carcass Contest, live evaluation 7:00 p.m. |
| August 26 | - Dairy Market Steer Carcass Contest, cooler evaluation 6:00 p.m. Kiko Meats |
| August 31 | -Showmanship immediately following the Dairy Beef Feeder Showmanship, which starts at 9:00 a.m. |
| August 31 | - Fair Weigh-in (Immediately following Market Beef weigh-in which starts at 6:00 p.m.) |
| September 1 | - Dairy Market Steer Show immediately following the Dairy Beef Feeder Show, which starts at 9:00 a.m. |

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