

DEPARTMENT 2
DAIRY
Superintendent - Chris Langmaack - 517-543-9604
Assistant Superintendent - Doug Pennington – 517-243-0804

GENERAL RULES

1. Livestock exhibitors must be in compliance with all animal Health requirements as defined by the department. Please refer to the MDA web site: www.michigan.gov/mdard and Exhibition Requirements for Livestock. At the time of check in all cattle must be identified with radiofrequency identification (RFID) ear tags. Animals will not be allowed with official metal ear tags or official registered breed tattoos as their identification.
2. Must prove age of cattle: either by registration of vaccination papers.
3. All first-year exhibitors may show in rope or leather halters.
4. No one allowed in show ring except exhibitors and show personnel, unless requested by the superintendent.
5. All cattle must be washed at the wash racks only.
6. All cattle must be exercised in the show ring only.
7. See general rules and livestock regulations.
8. Judging on Wednesday @ 8:30 a.m.
9. All showmanship classes will show first.
10. Red Holsteins will be shown in regular Holstein classes.
11. Showmanship age as of January 1st of the current year.
12. No milk to be dumped on the fairgrounds.
13. Exhibitors are to do their own work.
14. There will be a manure fee of \$7.00 per animal (\$5.00 for manure, \$2.00 for barn account). Fees are due June 1st to the superintendent and must accompany the barn space forms.
15. All market animals must be owned by the exhibitor.
16. All animals will be checked off the trailer at fair check-in. Once animals pass Health Check they will be allowed to stall.
17. Exhibits removed by any person or persons prior to release without permission and early release form signed by their superintendent and fair board liaison will forfeit placements, ribbons or trophies for that exhibit and will not be allowed to enter exhibits the following year.

SECTION 32 - SHOWMANSHIP

Ribbons

Classes will be divided by age.

Class

370. Dairy Showmanship
 - Showmanship 1
 - Showmanship 2
 - Showmanship 3
374. Novice Showmanship (1st year only)
375. Champion and Reserve Champion Showmanship

SECTION 33 - HOLSTEINS

Ribbons

Class

376. Junior Heifer Calf (born after March 1ST this year) and at Least months old on show day.
377. Intermediate Heifer Calf (born 12/1/23 – 2/29/24)
378. Senior Heifer Calf (born 9/1/23 – 11/30/23)
379. Summer Yearling Heifer (born 6/1/23 – 8/31/23)
380. Junior Yearling Heifer (born 3/1/23 – 5/31/23)
381. Winter Yearling Heifer (born 12/1/22 – 2/28/23)
382. Senior Yearling Heifer (born 9/1/22 – 11/30/22)
383. Two-Year-Old in Production (born 9/1/21 – 8/31/22)
384. Two-Year-Old, never freshened (born 9/1/21 – 8/31/22)
385. Three-Year-Old (born 9/1/20 – 8/31/21)
386. Aged Cow, 4 years old or older (born before 9/1/20)
387. 100,000 lb. lifetime lactation (bring test records)
388. Produce of Dam (2 daughters)
389. Daughter and Dam
390. Jr. Champion and Reserve
391. Sr. Champion and Reserve
392. Grand Champion and Reserve Champion

SECTION 34 - JERSEYS

Classes same as in Section 33

SECTION 35 - GUERNSEY'S

Note: Section 35 has been deleted. Guernsey's Cattle should be entered in Section 36 – All other Breeds

SECTION 36 - ALL OTHER BREEDS

Classes same as in Section 33

SECTION 37 - BROWN SWISS

Classes same as in Section 33

SECTION 38 - SUPREME CHAMPION

Do not sign up for this class; you will be placed in this class.

Class

393. Supreme Champion Heifer
394. Supreme Champion Cow

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SECTION 39 - ALL BREEDS COMPETING

Ribbons

Class

- 395. Best Udder
- 396. Exhibitors Herd (2 females)
- 397. Chapter or Club Herd
(3 females, any breed, limited to one herd per club or chapter)

SECTION 40 - DAIRY JUDGING CONTEST

Superintendent - Doug Pennington

Ribbons

Friday @ 2:30 p.m.

- 1. **Learning Objective:** Learn accurate evaluation of a variety of breeds to increase herd production.
- 2. Cannot be older than age 19 as of January 1st of the current year to participate.
- 3. There will be 3-4 classes to judge.
- 4. Juniors will have cow parts and seniors will have written reasons with optional orals. These are only used as a tiebreaker.
- 5. You must enter on an entry form and complete contest to qualify for awards.

Class

- 398. Senior Ages 15 and older
- 399. Junior Ages 14 and under

SECTION 41 - DAIRY FUN EVENTS

Ribbons

Will be held during the Wednesday Dairy Show

Class

- 400. Cloverbuds ages 5-7. Youth showing in this class must Be accompanied by parent/guardian into the show ring. Animal must currently be on the fairgrounds.