BEEF

CHECK IN/WEIGH IN:
Wednesday, August 1 from 12 noon - 1 p.m. (Beef Barn)
FEEDER CALF CHECK-IN:
Saturday, August 4 from 8-9 a.m. (Beef Barn)
SHOW DATE:
Saturday, August 4 at 9:30 a.m. (Livestock Show Arena)

PREMIUMS
Showmanship, Breeding Beef, Market Beef
Purple $6.00; Blue $5.00, Red $4.00, White $3.00
SPECIAL AWARDS
Rate of Gain
1st $10; 2nd $8; 3rd $7; 4th $6; 5th $5; 6th $4; 7th $4; 8th $4; 9th $2; 10th $2

BEEF GUIDELINES

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Refer to the GENERAL & ANIMAL RULES AND REGULATIONS at the front of this fair exhibitor guide.

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION: An exhibitor must exhibit breeding heifers, market beef, feeder calves, and cow/calf entries that have been properly identified under their name and is filed with the UNL Extension Office by the set deadline (June 15, 2012/April 1, 2012 for market beef). The ID's for all beef entries will be checked by superintendent when animal is brought to fair. Final decision as to the class in which an animal will be shown will rest with the superintendent.

QUALITY ASSURANCE REQUIREMENT: Nebraska 4-H Program is REQUIRING members (8 - 18 years old) exhibiting BEEF to be certified in Quality Assurance (QA). This program is mandated by the Nebraska 4-H program and has been implemented into the Dodge County 4-H Program. Therefore, ALL youth exhibiting BEEF at the Dodge County Fair are required to be QA certified by June 15, 2012 to be eligible to exhibit.

ENTRY LIMIT: An exhibitor is limited to exhibiting a TOTAL of EIGHT beef entries. In addition, an exhibitor may also enter ONE cow/calf pair. Livestock Stall/Pen Request Forms are due to the UNL Extension Office by Friday, July 20, 2012.

DRESS CODE: Exhibitors are required to wear a white shirt or blouse with the official 4-H Chevron attached, or a 4-H T-shirt or FFA T-shirt. Dark blue jeans and hard soled shoes or boots are required. No hats, caps or other types of headgear are to be worn while exhibiting. (SOURCE: Nebraska State Fair 4-H Fairbook)

SHOW ORDER: Breeding Heifers, Feeder Calves, Cow/Calf Pairs, Showmanship, Market Beef

BLOCKING CHUTES: No blocking chutes in barns until entries close Wednesday afternoon.

DEPT. G / DIV. 10
BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

Class A Senior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 15-18 on Jan 1)
Class B Intermediate Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 12-14 on Jan 1)
Class C Junior Showmanship (Exhibitor ages 8-11 on Jan 1)

SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES: Exhibitors who made the entry are eligible to compete in showmanship with that animal. Members taking part in a showmanship class will be judged on their skill as showmen, and on the appearance their animal makes before the judges. Any animal may be shown in only ONE showmanship class. In showmanship classes, a 4-H/FFA member can ONLY exhibit an animal that has been officially identified in their name AND that they have entered in the live show. Exhibitors may NOT exhibit some other exhibitor's animal in the showmanship competition.

DEPT. G / DIV. 11
MARKET BEEF

Class 1 British Breed Market Steers: This class will include the following British breeds; Angus, Hereford, Shorthorn or any cross of the three British breeds. This class will be divided according to weight, if necessary. A Champion and Reserve Champion British Breed Market Steer will be selected from the class winners.
Class 2 Other Breeds & Crossbred Market Steers: This class will be divided into three subdivisions according to weights. A champion and reserve champion will be selected in each weight subdivision.
Class 3 County Bred & Fed Market Steer: This class will include steers that have a completed "Dodge County 4-H/FFA County Bred & Fed Market Steer Affidavit" at the UNL Extension Office by June 15 of the current year. Market steers in this class can not be shown in any other steer class. A Champion and Reserve Champion County Bred & Fed Market Steer will be selected from the class winners.

MARKET STEER CHAMPIONSHIP: The Market Steer Show is divided into THREE classes/sections - British Breed Market Steers, Other Breeds & Crossbred Market Steers and County Bred & Fed Market Steers. Selection of Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Market Steer will be made from the class/section champions and reserve champions.

Class 4 Market Heifer: This class will be divided and shown by weight. A Champion and Reserve Champion Market Heifer will be selected from the class winners.
Class 5 Group of Three Market Beef: Each 4-H club and FFA chapter may show **ONE** Club Group of Three Market Beef consisting of market steers and/or heifers. Club groups must be ALL 4-H or ALL FFA market beef, mixed club groups will not be allowed. Animals in each club group must have been shown by at least two different exhibitors within that 4-H club or FFA chapter.
Class 6 Rate of Gain: All market beef officially tagged, identified and weighed at Dodge County 4-H Beef Weigh-In Day (January 29, 2012) will be eligible to participate in the Dodge County Fair Beef Rate of Gain Class. Animals entered in this class must have exhibited in the Market Beef Division of the show. The class will be based on the highest average daily gain from the official starting weight (January 29, 2012) to the official ending weight at the Dodge County Fair (August 1, 2012). Animals must be free of excessive mud and dirt when weighed at the fair. A trophy will be awarded to 1st place and premiums will be awarded to the top ten places

Class 7 Feeder Steers (born 1-1-2012 to 6-1-2012)
Class 8 Feeder Heifers (born 1-1-2012 to 6-1-2012)

FEEDER CALVES: Animals in these classes may be stalled with the market beef OR can be brought to the grounds Saturday morning of the show. Classes to be divided by hip height and sex.

DEPT. G / DIV. 12
BREEDING BEEF

Class 1 Angus Breeding Heifer
Class 2 Commercial Breeding Heifer
Class 3 Other Registered Breeds Breeding Heifer
Class 4 Hereford Breeding Heifer
Class 5 Shorthorn Breeding Heifer
Class 6 Simmental Breeding Heifer
Class 7 Limousin Breeding Heifer
Class 8 Maine Anjou Breeding Heifer

BREEDING HEIFERS: Breeding heifers are to be born between January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011. Any breeding heifer that has been identified by tattoos/brands and correct forms (4-HF105) completed and submitted to the UNL Extension Office by June 15 of the current year are eligible to show. Heifers can NOT have a 4-H or FFA market beef ear tag in either ear. To qualify as purebreds, registration papers must be shown to the superintendent. Heifers that are non-registered or cross bred will be exhibited in the Commercial Breeding Heifer class. Heifers may be divided by age if numbers warrant.

Class 10 Cow/Calf Pair: Each exhibitor is limited to exhibit ONE Cow/Calf Pair provided they meet the following requirements:

1) The calf must be produced from a cow owned by the exhibitor or exhibitor's immediate family.
2) The calf may be a steer, heifer or bull.
3) Steer calves are eligible to show in the Feeder Steer class and heifer calves are eligible to show in the Feeder Heifer class. All calves must be identified with an official Nebraska 4-H or FFA ear tag and correct forms (4-HF 110) must be completed and submitted to the UNL Extension Office by June 15 of the current year.
4) The cow must be identified by tattoos/brands and correct forms (4-HF105) must be completed and submitted to the UNL Extension Office by June 15 of the current year.
5) Cow/Calf Pairs are required to be penned in portable pens the duration of the fair. Pens will be provided by the Dodge County Fair Board. Livestock Stall/Pen Request Forms are due to the UNL Extension Office by Friday, July 20, 2012.
6) Cows and calves must be shown on halter in the show ring. A second exhibitor will be allowed to help show the pair.