

## DAIRY CATTLE - SECTION 002

4-H Superintendents:

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Tuesday, August 1, 10 a.m. - 4-H Dairy Show

Judge Cassie Menendez

All 4-H dairy cattle must be in place by 7 p.m. Monday and remain until 6:30 p.m. Sunday. Use entry forms provided in the fair book.

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT REQUIREMENTS

#### 1. NO WATER HOSES TO TOUCH THE GROUND, INCLUDES BARN AND WASH RACK

#### 2. Backflow devices MUST be used on all hoses

a. Any gated connector or Y connector must have a backflow preventer before and after the connection.

b. If you do not have a backflow preventer, please go to the Fair office and sign one out.

3. Wheel barrows, buckets, any open containers cannot be left with manure where it can collect rainwater.

4. If you have any question about Health Department Requirements please reach out to the fair office.

### Cattle Regulations

1. All cattle must be identified by USDA approved official ear tag, RFID or 840 tags (tags available at the 4-H Office, if needed)

2. Dairy cattle must be personally owned and registered individually, as well as cared for by the exhibitor, since June 1 of the current year. Dual ownership, family ownership or syndicates are not allowed. All animals must be at least 87% purebred or breed standard for national show. Exhibitors who have filed a Non-Ownership Certificate with the 4-H office prior to June 1 of the current year are eligible to show.

Dual ownership between siblings will be allowed when the 4-H and Dairy Youth Show Eligibility for Otsego County 4-H & NY State Fair Dairy Youth Show criteria are met. Complete rules available at the 4-H Office.

3. All papers must be available for inspection.

4. There will be no pending registration papers or transfers allowed.

5. Cattle registration papers will be checked by a member of the Dairy Issue Committee at the fair. Animals not having the required

registration papers will be disqualified. All transfers must conform to the respected breed association transfer policy as outlined by the breed association.

6. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to be able to locate and present the identification and registration.

7. Exhibitors are limited to not more than two entries in each class.

8. ALL cattle must be tested for BVD/PI. See animal health regulations for additional information.

9. All hay and bedding must be furnished by the exhibitor. Limited storage of small baled hay, shavings and straw will be allowed in the barns. All excess hay, shavings or straw storage as well as ALL large bales will be stored outside of the barn. The dairy cattle superintendent reserves the right to determine the appropriate amount of hay, shavings and or straw storage in the barn.

10. All animals must be housed in places assigned by the dairy cattle superintendent.

11. Judging and awards will be on the Danish system.

12. Your entire exhibit must stay in place until 6:30 p.m. on Sunday including all decorations and identification cards.

13. Exhibitors must show their own cattle:

a. Exhibitors clothing should be neat and clean and appropriate for the task at hand. Whites are required. Farm names and letters shall not appear on clothing.

b. If an exhibitor has two entries in a class, the second entry must be shown by another youth who is also exhibiting in the show.

c. In emergency situations, exceptions can be made, but arrangements must be cleared with the 4-H Dairy Issue Committee.

d. Exhibitors are encouraged to prepare their own cattle for show and should maintain the youth exhibit area. Adults should not be seen doing this work.

e. No coaching of exhibitors will be allowed from outside of the show ring.

f. Code of ethics of PDCA will be enforced.

14. Classes will be added for other recognized dairy breeds, if necessary.

15. Non-ownership is NOT AVAILABLE to youth already owning an animal of that species.

16. Youth that do not own a dairy animal may lease two dairy animals.

**All animals must meet the NYS PDCA registry requirements. All animals MUST be individually owned or leased on or before June 1 by the 4-H member showing the animal.**

**Showmanship Classes - MANDATORY**

Past Master Showmanship winners are exempt.

4-H'ers must enter this class and list their ages as of January 1 of the current calendar year. The Superintendent reserves the right to adjust the class size as necessary. An Intermediate Showman will be chosen from the class winners age 13 and under. The Intermediate Master Showman winner will compete for the Master Showman. First and second place winners older than age 13 will return to the ring to compete for Master and Reserve Master Champion Showman.

**Class No.**

- 1 Cloverbud 5 through 8-year-old members with one-on-one supervision by an adult or experienced older teen who maintains ultimate control of the animal. Receives a ribbon.
- 2 Novice (any age youth having never shown before)
- 3 Junior-ages at least 9 and less than 14 years as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- 4 Senior- ages must be at least 14 years old as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

**Herdsmanship Classes – MANDATORY**

To encourage 4-H animal exhibitors to maintain clean, attractive, educational displays. Using the Danish System, all animal exhibits will be evaluated daily on cleanliness and neatness of the area, availability of food and water to the animal, and the 4-H exhibitor's appearance and availability to the public. Decorations and ornaments will not be evaluated as part of these classes.

**Class No.**

- 5 Cloverbud 5 through 8-year-old members Receives a ribbon.
- 6 Junior-ages at least 9 and less than 14 years as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- 7 Senior- ages must be at least 14 years old as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

## BREED CLASSES

AY = Ayrshire  
HO = Holstein

BS = Brown Swiss  
JE = Jersey

GU = Guernsey  
MS = Milking Short Horn

CLASSES	AY	BS	GU	HO	JE	MS
Spring Heifer Calf-born on or after March 1 of current year *	9	10	11	12	13	14
Winter Heifer Calf-born December 1 of previous year – February 28 current year	15	16	17	18	19	20
Fall Heifer Calf - born September 1 to November 30 of the previous calendar year	21	22	23	24	25	26
Summer Yearling born – born June 1 to August 31 of the previous calendar year	27	28	29	30	31	32
Spring Yearling (not in milk) – born March 1 – May 31 of the previous calendar year	33	34	35	36	37	38
Winter Yearling (not in milk) - born December 1; two calendar years ago to February 28 of the previous calendar year	39	40	41	42	43	44
Fall Yearling (not in milk) - born September 1 to November 30; two calendar years ago	45	46	47	48	49	50
Junior - 2 years - born March 1 to August 31; two calendar years ago	51	52	53	54	55	56
Senior - 2 years - born September 1; three calendar years ago to February 28; two calendar years ago	57	58	59	60	61	62
Milk Cow - 3 years—born between Sept 1 - August 31	63	64	65	66	67	68
Milk Cow - 4 years—born between Sept 1 - August 31	69	70	71	72	73	74
Milk Cow - 5 years—born between Sept 1 - August 31	75	76	77	78	79	80
Aged Cow over 5 years	81	82	83	84	85	86
Dry Cow, any age—to have calved at least once and not shown in any other single class. Must be non-lactating during fair.	87	88	89	90	91	92
Dam and Daughter	93	94	95	96	97	98
Produce of Dam, 2 animals any age, produce of one cow	99	100	101	102	103	104
Best Bred & Owned Junior Animal ** Papers will be checked at ringside.	105	106	107	108	109	110
Best Bred & Owned Senior Animal ** Papers will be checked at ringside.	111	112	113	114	115	116

**\*Must be born by April 15.**

**\*\*There will only be a lead out for this class if a champion animal is not bred and owned by the exhibit**

Championship Awards –

Ribbons for the Junior and Senior Champion and Reserve Junior and Senior Champion and Grand Champion of each breed will be presented. All 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place animals with blue ribbons may compete for these ribbons. The Grand Champion Female of each breed will compete for Supreme Champion Female of all Breeds.

**Class No.**

205 Junior Best Three females – All three animals must be bred by an individual 4-H member.

206 Senior Best Three Females – All three animals must be bred by an individual 4-H member.

**Class No.**

209 \*Junior 4-H Club Herd -- three animals owned by three different exhibitors. Will be shown at the end of Junior Champion Class.

211 \*Senior 4-H Club Herd -- three animals (at least one animal must be over 2-years old) owned by three different exhibitors. Will be shown after the Grand Champion Class.

**Classes 209 & 211**

Clubs are limited to one entry per class

**Dairy Contests**

Dairy Challenge-6pm, Martin Hall

Dairy Challenge is a hands-on educational activity for 4-H Youth to test their understanding of the dairy industry, knowledge of how to properly manage a dairy farm, and evaluate top quality dairy animals.

**Class No.**

212 Cloverbud-ages 5-8, ribbon only

213 Beginner-ages 8-10 years as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

214 Junior-ages at least 9 and less than 14 years as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

215 Senior- ages must be at least 14 years old as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

Dairy Judging-1pm, Livestock Show Ring

Dairy Judging contests teach youth to critically evaluate dairy animals based on breed standards and gain an understanding of how form affects function.

**Class No.**

216 Cloverbud-ages 5-8, ribbon only

217 Beginner-ages 8-10 years as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

218 Junior-ages at least 9 and less than 14 years as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

219 Senior (Reasons)- ages must be at least 14 years old as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.