

# DAIRY DIVISION

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## SPECIAL RULES

- A. In lieu of having dairy animals officially transferred and recorded in the National Association's herd book in the junior exhibitor's name a signed affidavit by the current owner, junior exhibitor and exhibitor's parent or guardian stipulating to the fact that the exhibitor is in the possession and has ownership of the animal for the purposes of showing at the LSU AgCenter Junior Dairy Show for the dates recorded on the affidavit. All other rules concerning possession, housing and care of the animal would still apply as per LSU AgCenter Livestock Show rules and regulations. A copy of the Affidavit will be attached to a copy of the registration papers and sent to the youth agent by the possession date. The youth agent will sign the original affidavit once he or she certifies possession of the animal. The original affidavit will be attached to the original registration papers and presented to the show clerk for check in purposes at their respective Parish and District shows.
- B. The following breeds of dairy— Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Holstein, Jersey and Any Other Purebred Breeds (AOB)— may be shown at the state and district livestock shows.
- C. Possession date for all dairy breeding is **November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022.**
- D. Only dairy animals registered with their respective breed associations will be permitted to show. **Ayrshires and Holsteins must be a minimum of 87% registered ancestry** and Jerseys must be a 4, 5 or 6 on Generation Count added as a suffix in parentheses at the end of the animal's name or have no suffix and do not have OA, PR or UR as a prefix to their name on the registration certificate in order to show in their respective breed division. **Animals eligible to be shown in the Brown Swiss division will have one of the following registration certificates. Standard Registration Certificate which is white with a green border is issued for Registered Brown Swiss Females and Certified Identity Enrolled Females (CIE). Brown Swiss Step II Identity Enrollment (IE) animals which have a green registration paper with black border may also be shown. Animals with other colored paper may not be shown**
- E. All original papers must be verified by agent/FFA advisor and copy submitted to agent/FFA advisor within thirty (30) days of Possession Date. If a copy of the original is not available, then the exhibitor will furnish letter from respective association stating the following: name of the exhibitor, name of the animal, breed of animal, date of birth, registration number (if possible), sex, and specify the date of sale/ownership/transfer. Those exhibitors who submit a letter from the association must submit the original paper once received to their 4-H agent or FFA advisor in advance of the district show or the original paper must be checked at the district show. Registration certificates will be checked by the dairy superintendent at the district shows.
- F. **All registered dairy animals must be dehorned or be naturally polled. Horn scurs are allowed.**
- G. Any dairy animals in a class younger than the senior 2-year-old cow class that have calved will automatically be moved to the senior 2-year-old cow class.
- H. An exhibitor may enter as many registered animals as he desires; however, no member will be allowed to enter or show more than one animal in any age class. EXCEPTION: Heifers that calve and are moved to the senior 2-year-old cow class will be allowed to show in this class along with another senior 2-year-old cow owned by the same exhibitor.
- I. Lactating cow classes will be judged following the heifer classes but not before 12:00 p.m. at the state show.
- J. Management is not responsible for special housing of cows that have just calved or heifers that are near calving. No nurse calves will be allowed in the barn (no foster calves).
- K. DAIRY CLASSES
  1. Fall calves, Sept. 1-Oct. 31, 2022
  2. Summer calves, June 1-Aug. 31, 2022
  3. Spring Yearling Heifers, March 1- May 31, 2022
    - Junior Champion - Calf (selected from winners in classes 1, 2 & 3) \*
    - Reserve Junior Champion - Calf (selected from 2<sup>ND</sup> place winner in class that Junior Champion - Calf was chosen and 1<sup>st</sup> place winners of the other 2 classes) \*
    - Junior Champion - Calf La.-bred (Selected from La.-bred winners in Classes 1, 2 & 3) \*
    - Reserve Junior Champion - Calf La.-bred (selected from 2<sup>ND</sup> place La.-bred winner in class that Junior Champion - Calf La.-bred was chosen and 1<sup>st</sup> place La.-bred winners in the other 2 classes) \*
  4. Winter Yearling Heifers, December 1, 2021-Feb. 28, 2022
  5. Fall Yearling Heifers, Sept. 1- Nov. 30, 2021
  6. Summer Yearling Heifers, June 1-Aug. 31, 2021
  7. Junior Two-Year-Old Heifers, March 1 – May 31, 2021
    - Junior Champion - Yearling (selected from winners in classes 8 - 11) \*
    - Reserve Junior Champion - Yearling (selected from 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner in class that Junior Champion - Yearling was chosen and 1st place winners in the other 3 classes) \*
    - Junior Champion - Yearling La.-bred (selected from La.-bred winners in classes 8 - 11) \*
    - Reserve Junior Champion - Yearling La.-bred (selected from 2<sup>nd</sup> place La.-bred winner in class that Junior Champion - Yearling La.-bred was chosen and 1<sup>st</sup> place La.-bred winners in the other 3 classes) \*
    - Overall Junior Champion (selected from winners of classes 4 & 12) \*

Overall Reserve Junior Champion (If the winner of class 12 is the Overall Junior Champion, then the winners of classes 4 & 13 compete. If the winner of class 4 is the Overall Junior Champion, then the winners of classes 5 & 12 compete) \*

Overall Junior Champion La.-bred (selected from winners of classes 6 & 14) \*

Overall Reserve Junior Champion La.-bred (If the winner of class 14 is the Overall Junior Champion La.-bred, then the winners of classes 6 & 15 compete. If the winner of class 6 is the Overall Junior Champion La.-bred, then the winners of classes 7 & 14 compete) \*

**\* Jr. & Reserve Jr. Champion Calf/Yearling Classes & respective La-bred champion classes only apply to breeds that have 30/more animals to qualify for the state show. For breeds less than 30 head, Overall Jr. & Reserve Jr. Champion & La-bred Overall Jr. Champions are selected from the winners of classes 1-3 and 8-11 with 2<sup>nd</sup> place from the Junior Champion's class competing for Reserve Overall Jr. Champion**

8. Senior two-year-old cows, Sept. 1, 2020 - Feb. 28, 2021

9. Junior three-year-old cows, March 1 - Aug. 31, 2020

10. Senior three-year-old cows, Sept. 1, 2019 - Feb. 29, 2020

11. Four-year-old cows, Sept. 1, 2018 - Aug. 31, 2019

12. Aged cows, born before Sept. 1, 2018

13. **Dry cow class-cow must be dry (not lactating) and must have freshened (calved) at least once.**

Senior Champion (selected from winners in classes 20 - 24)

Reserve Senior Champion (selected from 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner in class that Senior Champion was chosen and 1<sup>st</sup> place winners in the other 4 classes)

Senior Champion La.-bred (selected from La.-bred winners in classes 20 - 24)

Reserve Senior Champion La.-bred (selected from 2<sup>nd</sup> place La.-bred winner in class that Senior Champion La.-bred was chosen and 1<sup>st</sup> place La.-bred winners in the other 4 classes)

Grand Champion (selected from winners in classes 16 & 25)

Reserve Grand Champion (If the winner of class 16 is selected Grand Champion, then the winners of classes 17 & 25 compete. If the winner of class 25 is selected Grand Champion, then the winners of classes 16 & 26 compete.)

Grand Champion La. bred (selected from winners in class 18 & 27)

Reserve Grand Champion La.-bred (If the winner of class 18 is selected Grand Champion La.-bred, then the winners of classes 19 & 27 compete. If the winner of class 27 is selected Grand Champion La.-bred, then the winners of classes 18 & 28 compete.)

Best Fitted Animal (by breed)

Parish Groups (by breed)

L. **Selection of Supreme Champion-** Breed champions from each of the above listed breeds will compete for supreme champion along with the champion commercial heifer and cow at the conclusion of the breeding show.

M. There is no restriction on previous winners entering the "Best Fitted Animal" Class at the state show.

N. Grooming Rules (See paper attached from Dr. Hutchison)

## **COMMERCIAL DAIRY REPLACEMENT HEIFERS & COWS**

1. Heifers in this division will be judged as replacement dairy heifers. No heifer that has calved will be eligible to show in the heifer division. Commercial animals that have calved will show in the commercial dairy cow class (see rule 11 below).
2. To be eligible for this division a heifer or cow must not be registered with a dairy breed association. These may be purebred grade dairy heifers or crossbred dairy heifers. Any Holstein heifer or cow less than 87% RHA on the certificate from the breed association will show in the A.O.B. division and not commercial dairy animal division. Any Jersey heifer or cow with a Generation Count of less than 4 on the certificate from the breed association will show in the A.O.B. division and not commercial dairy animal division.
3. Possession date for commercial dairy heifers is **November 7, 2022.**
4. Each heifer must be officially Validated and tagged with an official LSU AgCenter Livestock Show ear tag; State Fair tag may be used for LSU AgCenter validation. Agents and FFA advisors will request these from the district the same as other tag requests.
5. **All Commercial Dairy animals must be dehorned or naturally polled. Horn scurs are allowed.**
6. Exhibitor can show a maximum of 3 commercial dairy replacement heifers.
7. Heifers will show by weight. They will be weighed only once on an official set of scales (no reweighs). Classes will be determined by the range of weights of heifers eligible for exhibition.
8. Heifers weighing less than 150 pounds at the time of weigh-in will be ineligible to show.
9. Champion and Reserve Champion exhibits will be selected from 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place individual class winners.
10. Commercial Dairy Cow Class (Cows that have freshened at least once). Exhibitor can show only 1 commercial cow.
11. Commercial Dairy Heifers and commercial cows may be shown in dairy showmanship classes along with registered exhibits.
12. A Best Fitted Commercial Dairy Heifer & Cow class will be offered at the state show.

13. There will be a parish group competition for Commercial Dairy Heifers and cows. A parish group will consist of four commercial dairy heifers and/or cows, all from the same parish, with at least two exhibitors represented.
14. Champion commercial heifer and cow will be eligible to compete for Supreme Dairy Champion.

## **DAIRY SHOWMANSHIP**

Any exhibitor may enter the dairy showmanship contest. Exhibitor must show his or her own animal. That animal must also be exhibited in the regular dairy class. No registration for the showmanship contest is required. The eligibility of the exhibitor in the respective showmanship classes will be determined by the exhibitor's age as of January 1, 2023. The showmanship contest will be judged following Best Fitted on Sunday, February 12, 2023, but will not start before 3:45 p.m. in Main Arena. Judging will begin with the Premier Exhibitor participants followed by the 9-year-old class in ring 1 and 12-year-old class in ring 2, class sizes of more than 20 exhibitors will be split. A junior showman, intermediate and a senior showman will be selected from the class winners in each division. Each individual class winner receives a sweatshirt.

### **Dairy Showmanship Exhibitor Attire: Guidelines**

1. Exhibitor are not required to wear white shirts and pants
2. Exhibitor should not wear cowboy hats or baseball caps
3. A button-down shirt with collar is preferred instead of polo shirts and T-shirts
4. No farm identification or advertising should be on the clothing
5. Footwear should not have open toes or heels

### **Dairy Showmanship Classes**

#### **Ring 1**

Premier Exhibitor Participants

Junior Division:

9 years old

10 years old

11 years old

Junior Champion Showman

#### **Ring 2**

Intermediate Division:

12 years old

13 years old

14 years old

Intermediate Champion Showman

Senior Division:

15 years old

16 years old

17 years and older

Senior Champion Showman