

**DEPARTMENT 2**

**DAIRY**

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**GENERAL RULES**

1. Livestock exhibitors must be in compliance with animal Health requirements as defined by the department. Please refer to the MDA web site [www.michigan.gov/mdafairreqs](http://www.michigan.gov/mdafairreqs). At the time of check in all cattle must be identified with radio frequency 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 or 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 @ 9:00 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 \$5 per animal. Fees are due May 1<sup>st</sup> and must accompany the barn space forms.
15. All market animals must be owned by the exhibitor.

**SECTION 32 - SHOWMANSHIP**

**Ribbons**

Classes will be divided by age.

Class

370. Dairy Showmanship  
Showmanship 1  
Showmanship 2  
Showmanship 3
374. Novice Showmanship (1<sup>st</sup> year only)
375. Champion and Reserve Champion Showmanship

**SECTION 33 - HOLSTEINS**

**Ribbons**

Class

376. Junior Heifer Calf (born after 3-1-12) and at least 4 months old on show day.
377. Intermediate Heifer Calf (born 12-1-11 through 2-29-12)
378. Senior Heifer Calf (born 9-1-11 through 11-30-11)
379. Summer Yearling Heifer (born 6-1-11 through 8-31-11)
380. Junior Yearling Heifer (born 3-1-11 through 5-31-11)
381. Winter Yearling Heifer (born 12-1-10 through 2-28-11)
382. Senior Yearling Heifer (born 9-1-10 through 11-30-10)
383. Two Year Old In Production (born 9-1-09 thru 8-31-10)
384. Two Year Old, never freshened (born 9-1-09 thru 8-31-10)
385. Three Year Old (born 9-1-08 through 8-31-09)
386. Aged Cow, 4 years old or older (born before 9-1-08)

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**

Classes same as in Section 33

**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

**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 @ 2:00 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 5-8. Youth showing in this class must be accompanied by parent/guardian into the show ring. Animal must currently be on the fairgrounds.