

DEPARTMENT 2
DAIRY MARKET
Superintendent - Brenda Hall - 517-543-0104

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.
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. There will be a manure disposal fee of \$5 per animal. Fees are due May 1st and should accompany the barn space forms.
3. All market animals must be owned by the exhibitor by January 28th of the current year and be weighed-in and tagged on January 28th, or they will not be eligible for show or sale.
4. Participation in showmanship is required.
5. Dairy market, feeders will be weighed in on Sunday, July 8th only, from 3 pm to 5 pm. Any animal that come in on Monday, will not be allowed to show and will be taken home.
6. A: Animals must be castrated no later than May 1st of the current project year. No clamping allowed. Banding only. Castration sites must be completely healed and dry at time of weigh-in. If not, you must take your steer home.
B: Animals must be dehorned no later than May 1st of the Current project year. Dehorning sites must be completely healed and dry at time of weigh-in. maximum 1 ½" re-growth allowed. If not, you must take your steer home.
7. Dairy market feeders & market steers other than dairy market champion & reserve champion are not required to sell at fair if youth does not desire.
8. Dairy feeders & market animals must be a dairy breed (Holstein, Jersey, Guernsey, Brown Swiss, Ayrshire, Milking Shorthorn). Both sire & dam must be of dairy origin. Dairy crossbreds will be permitted but no beef breed crossbreeding allowed.

SECTION 78 - DAIRY MARKET SHOWMANSHIP
Ribbons

Classes will be divided by age. Show order will be oldest to youngest.

Class

660. Showmanship 1
Showmanship 2
Showmanship 3
Champion and Reserve Champion Showman

SECTION 79 - DAIRY MARKET
Ribbons

1. Feeder calf's will be sold by through the Jr. livestock Auction, after the beef/dairy section.
For complete sale rules contact the Extension Office.
2. Pre-registration forms must be sent to the superintendent by May 1st indicating if they will be sold or not. You cannot add your feeder to the list to sell after May 28th. If you register for the sale in May, you can revoke from the sale up to 5 pm on weigh in Sunday. Animals must be tagged & photographed. Youth are encouraged to pre-register more than one animal but no more than 5, to ensure making weight class.
3. General guideline: Most feeder calves will be born between Feb 1st & Mar 31st of current year.
4. Animals must weigh at least 300 lbs, but not more than 600 lbs at weigh in. Anything weighing over 600lbs and under 1,000 lbs, will be in the heavyweight feeder class.
5. A: Animals must be castrated no later than May 1st of the current project year. No clamping allowed. Castration sites must be completely healed and dry at time of weigh-in if not you must take your calf home.
B: Animals must be dehorned no later than May 1st of the current project year. Dehorning sites must be completely healed and dry at time of weigh-in. Maximum 1 ½" re-growth allowed. If not must take your calf home.
C: No implants. If there is an implant detected at the fair your calf will be disqualified immediately. If show is over you lose all awards and placing. You will not be allowed to sell.
6. Dairy Feeders must be of a dairy breed: Holstein, Jersey, Guernsey, Brown Swiss, Ayrshire or Milking Shorthorn. Both sire & dam should be of dairy origin. Dairy crossbreds will be permitted but no beef breed crossbreeding allowed.
7. Feeders not meeting weight requirements will be permitted to show in showmanship only, if all other requirements are met.
8. Dairy feeders market classes will be decided by weight of animal at weigh in and will be assigned to a weight class by the superintendent.
9. Animals are not required to sell if youth does not desire,

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unless they are market or reserve market champion.

10. Youth will be allowed to show a maximum of 2 feeder calves.
11. All dairy feeders will be weighed Sunday July 8th from 3-5 pm. Any animal brought in Monday will not be allowed to show.
12. All calves must have a (RFID) electronic ear tag.
13. Animals showing any signs of ringworm, warts, foot rot, Pink eye, sore mouth or any other contagious or infectious Disease, can NOT be exhibited. You must take it home.

Class

664. Dairy Market
665. Lightweight feeder
666. Heavyweight feeder
667. Champion and Reserve Champion
668. Champion and Reserve Champion Lightweight feeder

SECTION 80 - RATE OF GAIN
Ribbons

Class

669. Pounds gained from January 28th to July 7th.
670. Best rate of gain.
Rate of gain should be posted above animal while exhibited at the fair. Exhibitor's highest gaining animal is eligible.