

CITRUS COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION YOUTH OPEN BEEF (Cow/Calf & Heifer) SHOW RULES & REGULATIONS



Refer to:

Livestock General Rules & Regulations

Citrus County Fair Livestock Schedule and Livestock Addendum

IAFE and National Code of Showring Ethics

1. Exhibitor must be at least eight (8) years of age as of September 1 prior to the March Fair, to show and must register with the Citrus County Fair. Exhibitor must be a member in good standing of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter. This show is open to all 4-H and FFA youth in the State of Florida.

- A. An animal that cannot be handled properly will be disqualified.
- B. Animal must be in show shape, and must be dehorned or polled.
- C. Exhibitor must have possession of their animal by January 1.
- D. A culling committee will sift out any undesirable animals.
- E. Grooming chutes are limited to one per family / Club / Chapter.
- F. Youth may not show against themselves except in championship classes.
- G. Exhibitor must show their own animal unless the Superintendent gives approval for another showman.

2. Entries must be received by the 5:00 pm deadline. (Refer to Important Dates). Late entries accepted up to the Monday prior to the March Fair with a late entry fee. (Refer to entry form). Incomplete forms will not be accepted.

3. Animals will be divided into six classes according to weight. Class seven will consist of cows and cows with calves by their side. Exhibitors cannot compete against themselves, except for Champion drive.

A. Only cows will be weighed in the cow/calf class. Any cow with a calf by her side will be shown in the cow class. All cows will be classified by their weight without the calf.

B. Animals must be shown in their respective division and age/weight classes. Animals incorrectly entered will be at the discretion of the Youth Open Beef Superintendent/Livestock Chairman, and will be transferred to the proper division / class prior to the show.

C. All first-place blue ribbon In-County exhibitors will be called back to compete in the "Best of Citrus County" class. If the Grand or Reserve Champion is from Citrus County, they will automatically win this award.

D. The Youth Open Beef Superintendent / Livestock Committee may choose to add a Pee Wee and / or Vintage class for fun. It will be a \$10.00 cash only day of show sign up. All proceeds from these classes will go to the Dr. Dumas Scholarship Fund. Pee Wee age 4 to 7 as of September 1 prior to the March Fair.

4. Schedule: Check-in will be from 7:00 am until 9:30 am on the day of the show. Animals will be shown by weight and weighed between 7:00 am and 10:30 am. The show will begin with Showmanship at noon.

5. Ethical Treatment and Care

- A. Animals must be treated in an ethical and humane manner.
- B. Animals must be shown in their natural conformation and structure without alteration.
- C. Exhibitor is responsible for the care and clean-up of their animal. All Exhibitors must clean their area before leaving.
- D. Animals must be restricted with a halter and under the control of their Exhibitor before, during, and after the show.
- E. This is a blow-and-go show, grooming products are not allowed. Grooming is to be done only by the Exhibitor.

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F. Animal must be exhibited in a regular show halter unless approved by the Youth Open Beef Superintendent or the Livestock Chairman. Training devices are not allowed at any time, including but not limited to the Big Jim halter, cruise control halters, training halters, and other wire halters. These devices are not to be used under or with show halters, rope halters, nylon halters, etc.

- 6. AWARDS & PREMIUMS;** Ribbons will be awarded 1st - 6th
1st \$10.00 2nd \$5.00 3rd \$4.00 4th \$3.00 5th \$2.00 6th \$1.00
Grand Champion \$75.00 ***must have won a blue ribbon.***
Reserve Grand Champion \$50.00 ***must have won a blue ribbon.***
Grand Champion In-County Youth Exhibitor \$50.00 ***must have won a blue ribbon.***

Showmanship Competition

The payout for Showmanship is a percentage of entry fees collected:

Jr. 8-10 Intermediate 11-13 Sr. 14-18

1st - 25% 2nd - 20% 3rd - 17% 4th - 15% 5th - 13% 6th - 10%

- 7. Subjects not covered herein can be found in the Citrus County Fair Livestock Shows General Rules & Regulations for the current fair year.**