

EASTERN REGIONAL FFA DAIRY CATTLE HANDLERS CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

OBJECTIVE

To recognize the role of handlers in presenting each animal to its best advantage during the evaluation of dairy cows and heifers during the Eastern States Exposition Dairy Cattle Handling Career Development Event.

EVENT RULES

1. Participants must be certified by the state advisor and adhere to the Eastern States Exposition FFA General Rules.
2. Participants must wear dress whites and provide their own show harnesses. Show harnesses will not be supplied by the Eastern States Exposition.
3. Handlers must wear working or safety boots.
4. Each state may send up to four dairy handling participants.
5. Winning individuals will be recognized with gold, silver, or bronze emblem plaques at the Awards Banquet. All awards are sponsored by the Eastern States Exposition.
6. Handlers must have prior experience showing dairy cattle.
7. Handlers are not permitted to participate in the preparation or finishing of the animals assigned to them.
8. Handlers must report to the event superintendent at the time and place specified in the current year's Eastern States Exposition FFA Schedule. Participants who fail to report on time will be replaced by approved alternates.
9. If a dairy handler cannot control their assigned animal, the animal may need to be shown by alternates. The original handler will not be assigned a different animal to display.
10. Evaluation and scoring of each participant will be conducted by the judge(s) designated by the event superintendent and using the scoresheet below.

DAIRY CATTLE HANDLERS SCORECARD

Name: _____ School: _____

State: _____

Criteria	Possible Score	Individual Score
Appearance of handler	10	
Control of animal(s) by handler	20	
Poise and calmness of the handler	20	
Demonstrated competence in:		
a. Setting the animal to its best advantage	10	
b. maintaining the animal(s) in its most advantageous pose	10	
c. Effectively restraining as well as avoiding exciting the assigned animal(s)	10	
d. Moving the animal(s) as requested by the ringmaster	10	
Displays a cooperative courteous helpful positive attitude	10	
TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS	100	

JUDGES SIGNATURE _____