

# Department 2

## BEEF CATTLE

SCHEDULE			
<b>Decorate Barn:</b>	Sunday, July 9	Noon – 8 pm	
	Monday, July 10	8 am – 8 pm	
<b>Arrival:</b>	Monday, July 10	4 – 8 pm	
	Tuesday, July 11	7 – Noon	
<b>Weigh/Check in:</b>	Tuesday, July 11	Noon – 2 pm	
<b>Show:</b>	Wednesday, July 12	9 am	Show Order: Feeder Calves Market Beef Breeding Cattle Future Exhibitor Showmanship
<b>Release:</b>	Sunday, July 16	7 pm	Enter: West Gate Exit: West Gate

### Rules:

1. Entry Fee: \$5 per class unless noted. Substitutions are allowed only within the division entered. Exceptions may be considered by Fair Management for animal health conditions (Ex. ringworm, warts, or other) with a veterinarian health certificate stating the condition of the respective entry.
2. An exhibitor may enter an unlimited number of entries but is limited to exhibit four beef animals. Exhibitors do not need to declare at entry which of the DNA & Ear tag pre-identified market animals they will bring to the Fair. Additional limitations may be imposed if necessary by Fair Management to reduce facility overcrowding during the entry process.
3. Animal Health: All State of Wisconsin mandatory animal health regulations apply. See 2023 Wisconsin Animal Health Regulations for Fairs and Exhibitions in the entry information.
  - All animals must be free of external parasites including ringworm.
  - All animals must be dehorned. If regrowth or scur it must be less than 1 inch. Fair management reserves the authority for final discretion.
4. All Jefferson County Junior Fair Rules, Ethics Policy and Show Ring Ethics apply as stated in the entry information.
5. Animals deemed uncontrollable and unsafe for exhibition may be dismissed from the Fair Park at Fair Managements discretion. Animals dismissed may receive no premiums.
6. Barns: While at the Fair Park all beef cattle must stay in the designated beef areas which is the beef barn, washracks and the grass area south of the barn. The show ring may be available to exercise once it is set up. Between 10 pm and 6 am no beef cattle are allowed to leave the designated beef areas. Note: Exhibitors are expected to clean up after your animal anytime it is in or out of the stall.
7. Stalling: All beef cattle must be stalled with the respective group exhibit. Consideration for stalling requests must be submitted to the Fair Office by July 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Animals must be haltered and double tied at all times.
  - Fans: Limit of 2 per animal. Overhead fans no larger than 24" securely mounted above the animal are permitted. No Butt or floor aisle fans permitted.
8. Show: The exhibitor making entry must show their entry, unless Fair Management has granted permission for another Jefferson County Fair junior beef exhibitor to show the entry.
9. Fitting: Fitting Chutes/Tents may be set up around the outside of the beef barn in the area designated by Fair Management no more than 2 hours before the start of the show and removed no later than 2 hours of the completion of the beef show. No chutes allowed in the barn at any time.
10. Exhibit Release: Exhibit MAY NOT be taken down or removed until the release time listed in the entry information. Bedding must be moved 2 feet from the front wall after animals are removed.

## Division A – Feeder Calf

1. Open to Bulls, Steers or Heifer calves born between January 1<sup>st</sup> and April 30<sup>th</sup> of the current year. Heifer calves may not be shown in Breeding Division.
2. Maximum Weight: 900 lbs. Entries will be weighed during check in and entries may be subdivided by weight at Fair Managements discretion.
3. In 2024 a Market Beef Futurity class will be held at the Jefferson County Fair for all entries who showed in the feeder calf class at the 2023 Jefferson County Fair. 2023 feeder calves must be identified by DNA submission during the 2023 Jefferson County Fair in order to be eligible for the 2024 Jefferson County Fair Market Beef Futurity Class. Prizes and awards will be solicited for this exciting new class.

Class	Description	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
1	Dairy Feeder Calf (All Dairy Breeds & Dairy Breed Crosses)	\$12.00	\$11.00	\$10.00	\$9.00
	Champion Dairy Feeder Calf	Ribbon & Award			
	Reserve Champion Dairy Feeder Calf	Ribbon & Award			
4	Beef Feeder Calf (All Beef Breeds & Beef Crosses & Dairy/Beef Crosses)	\$12.00	\$11.00	\$10.00	\$9.00
	Champion Beef Feeder Calf	Ribbon & Award			
	Reserve Champion Beef Feeder Calf	Ribbon & Award			
	Grand Champion Feeder Calf	Ribbon & Award			
	Reserve Grand Champion Feeder Calf	Ribbon & Award			

## Division B – Market Beef (limit 2 per exhibitor)

1. Heifers and steers (castrated with no testicular tissue present) are eligible for the market beef division. Market beef must have all milk teeth in place, Fair management/judge reserves the right to handle/mouth an animal at any time and all decisions are final.
2. Market division subclasses will be determined by sex (heifer or steer), breed and weight at Fair Managements discretion.
  - Weight Subclasses: animals will be weighed during check-in. Only one pass over the scale allowed (no reweighs) unless authorized by Fair Management.
  - Breed Subclass: All animals desiring to show in a breed division must present a registration certificate to Fair Management during Fair check-in. The animal must be registered within their respective breed registry and have legible identification matching the breed registration certificate or the entry will be shown in the crossbred sub class. All breed registration certificates will be reviewed at check-in. There are no name specific requirements necessary on the breed registration certificate.
    - A minimum of 4 head per breed must be checked in and weighed to qualify for a breed subclass or entries will be placed in the Any Other Breed or Crossbred subclass.
    - A dairy breed subclass will be offered regardless of entry numbers, dairy steers do not need registration certificates.
3. Identification: All Market animals must have 840 Ear Tag and DNA identification on file with the Jefferson County Fair or Wisconsin State Fair by June 1<sup>st</sup> to be eligible for Champion Awards. Once identified, market animals are subject to random 840 ear tag inspection and DNA verification testing at any time by Fair Management. Exhibitors who intentionally remove official 840 ear tags are subject to disciplinary actions. Market animals not DNA Identified by June 1<sup>st</sup> will be allowed to show but are not eligible for Champion Awards and will be identified as such after the judge has placed the class and will be lowered one ribbon group placing.
  - 840 Ear tag Identification: Any 15-digit 840 ear tag identification will be accepted, RFID ear tags are preferred but not required. The Fair will have Individual 840 RFID Ear Tags available for purchase in the Fair office (503 North Jackson Avenue, Jefferson) beginning in February 2023 but the 840 identification ear tag used does not have to be a Jefferson County Fair issued ear tag. If an 840 ear tag is lost at any point throughout the project please notify the Fair office of the updated 840 ear tag identification number. Animals which arrive at the Fair without 840 ear tag identification which matches initial identification are not eligible for Champion awards and will be lowered one ribbon group placing and identified as such after the judge has placed the class.
  - DNA Identification: Jefferson County Fair works with an outside service provider to offer a non-biased identification DNA verification process which is used to protect show integrity and ensure the animals entered are the same animals brought to the Fair by the exhibitor. These DNA kits will be available in the Fair office (503 North Jackson Avenue, Jefferson) for purchase beginning in February 2023.

Lost 840 Ear tag identification: If any market animals lose their documented 840 Ear tag identification prior to Tuesday of fair, exhibitors must email the following information to [fair@jeffersoncountywi.gov](mailto:fair@jeffersoncountywi.gov) or stop by the

Fair office to receive a new tag:

Exhibitor Name      Species      Lost 840 Ear tag # (All 15 digits)

If an 840 tag is lost after Fair check-in please contact the Fair office. Jefferson County Fair reserves authority to take a DNA sample of any animal which losses their 840 Ear Tag.

Class	Description	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
1	Market Beef Entry 1 (Recommended born after January 1, 2022)	\$12.00	\$11.00	\$10.00	\$9.00
2	Market Beef Entry 2 (Recommended born after January 1, 2022)				
	Champion Breed Market Beef	Ribbon & Award			
	Reserve Champion Breed Market Beef	Ribbon & Award			
	Grand Champion Market Beef	Ribbon & Award			
	Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef	Ribbon & Award			

## Breeding Cattle

### 1. Breed Division

- All breeding cattle desiring to show in a breed division must be registered with their respective breed organization and have legible identification matching the breed registration certificate or the entry will be shown in the commercial/crossbred division. All breed registration certificates will be reviewed at check-in. There are no name specific requirements necessary on the breed registration certificate.
- If there are less than 4 entries per breed checked in at the Fair the breed division age classes will be combined into 1 breed division class.

Division C – Angus (Black or Red)

Division D– Hereford (Horned or Polled)

Division E - Shorthorn

Division F – Simmental

Division G – Any Other Breed (If more than 4 of a respective Breed are checked-in, they will show as an individual breed sub-class and the breed will be listed as a division in the following years entry information.)

Division H – Commercial/Crossbred

Class	Description	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
1	Junior Heifer Calf (January – April, 2023)	\$12.00	\$11.00	\$10.00	\$9.00
2	Senior Heifer Calf (September – December, 2022)				
3	Summer Yearling Heifer (May – August, 2022)				
4	Junior Yearling Heifer (January – April, 2022)				
5	Senior Yearling Heifer (September – December 2021)				
6	Cow – Calf (Progeny born January – April, 2023)				
	Champion Breed Female	Ribbon & Award			
	Reserve Champion Breed Female	Ribbon & Award			
	Supreme Champion Female	Ribbon & Award			
	Reserve Supreme Champion Female	Ribbon & Award			

## Division I – Bred & Owned Beef

To encourage youth to experience all aspects of the Beef Industry by breeding and raising their own project animals.

1. Entry Fee: No entry Fee

2. Eligibility:

- Purebred animals must have registration certificate verifying the exhibitor, family or family farm owned the female at time of breeding.
- Crossbred animals must have a signed affidavit from their group leader verifying the exhibitor, family or family farm owned the female at time of breeding.

3. Entry must be shown in individual Classes.

Class	Description	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
1	Feeder Calf (Dairy or Beef)	Ribbon			
2	Market Steer	Ribbon			
3	Breeding Female	Ribbon			
	Grand Champion Bred & Owned Beef	Ribbon & Award			
	Reserve Grand Champion Bred & Owned Beef	Ribbon & Award			

## Division J – Market Steer Ultrasound Carcass

1. Entry Fee: \$15 per animal. Entry Fee helps offset cost of ultrasound technology.

2. Ultrasound scan will take place: TBD

3. Rankings will be based on carcass price/cwt. The total premium is composed of:

**Weight Discount** for beef which are either too light or too heavy

**Quality Grade Premium/Discount** for carcasses with greater or less desirable USDA Quality grades.

**Yield Grade Premium/Discount** for carcasses with better or poorer USDA Yield Grades.

In general, Quality Grade Premiums have a greater influence on the final result than Yield Grade Premiums.

4. Final rankings will be posted in the beef barn.

Class	Description	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
1	Market Steer #1 Ultrasound Carcass	Ribbon			
2	Market Steer #2 Ultrasound Carcass	Ribbon			
	Grand Champion Market Steer Ultrasound Carcass	Ribbon & Award			
	Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer Ultrasound Carcass	Ribbon & Award			

## Division K – Market Beef Rate of Gain

1. Entry Fee: No entry Fee

2. Eligible entries must have an official weight recorded at the designated Fair weigh in site on February 11, 2023 and an official Fair weight taken at the Fair on July 11, 2023.

3. Final Fair weight minus the beginning weight will be used to determine official daily rate of gain rank

Class	Description	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
1	Market Beef #1 Rate of Gain	Ribbon			
2	Market Beef #2 Rate of Gain	Ribbon			
	Grand Champion Market Beef Rate of Gain	Ribbon & Award			
	Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef Rate of Gain	Ribbon & Award			

### Division L - Showmanship

1. All exhibitors will automatically be entered in showmanship.
2. Exhibitors must show their own animals.
3. Class: Exhibitor age as of January 1 of current Fair year.
4. The Supreme Champion Show person will compete in the Master Showman contest on Sunday at 10:00 am, please see Master Show Person Department for more information.

Class	Description	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
	Senior (Ages 17-18-19)	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00	\$2.00
	Intermediate (Ages 14-15-16)				
	Junior (Ages 11-12-13)				
	Beginner (Ages 8-9-10)				
	Supreme Champion Show Person	Ribbon & Award			
	Reserve Supreme Champion Show Person	Ribbon & Award			
	Honorable Mention Supreme Champion Show Person	Award			

### Division M - Herdsmanship

1. All groups are automatically entered and must follow all exhibition rules.
2. Small and large group classes will be determined by the number of exhibitors exhibiting animals. Groups will be divided as evenly as possible after exhibits are in place.
3. The 1<sup>st</sup> place herdsman group from the previous Fair will receive preferred stalling placement at the following years Fair.

Class	Description	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
	Small Group	\$25.00	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$10.00
	Large Group				

### Other Beef Exhibits can be entered through Department 10 – Small Animal & Vet Science

1. Entry Fee: \$.25 per class
2. Judged Face to Face and displayed during Fair in Youth Exhibits in the exhibitor's respective member group.

**Jefferson County Animal Auction & Youth Celebration:** Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup> @ 11 am MAP Building

**Future Show Person:** Wednesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> after the breeding division show and before Showmanship. Entry information is listed in Department 100 – Future Exhibitor.