



2024 New Mexico State Fair

Junior Replacement Dairy Heifers

Superintendent: Sharla Sharp

Judge: TBA

Arrival: By 5:00 p.m., Monday, September 9, 2024

Check In: ONLY on Monday, September 9, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Show: 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 10, 2024

****Entries Close August 1, 2024****

Division Rules

1. See Junior Division General Livestock Rules.
2. All in-state junior livestock (cattle, sheep, goats and swine) showing at New Mexico fairs must have an NMLB APPROVED 840 tag and a Form 1 inspection issued by the NMLB before entering any county or state fair. All out of state livestock must comply with New Mexico import requirements. The Form 1 inspection will be issued at the time the NMLB APPROVED tag is placed in the animal. The application of the tag will be done by the extension agent, FFA advisor or fair personnel. All animals must be tagged and inspected no later than June 15 of the current year. The purpose of these requirements is to keep on file a record of animals that are commingled at fairs and shows.

CATTLE

1. Proof of ownership (NMLB "Form 1" inspection certificate) must accompany the animal when traveling, whether in or out of the district; this is the assurance that all requirements have been met.
2. Brands:
 - a. All in-state show cattle must be branded with a New Mexico registered brand; if not that of the brand's registered owner, a bill of sale and a letter of permission from the brand's owner is required.
 - b. Fresh brands are not allowed – the brand must be "peeled and healed".
 - c. A freeze brand does not qualify as a New Mexico registered brand.

- d. Cattle may be shown with the originating herd's New Mexico registered brand with a bill of sale and a letter of permission from that brand owner.
 - e. Certificates of Brand Exemption are allowed only on registered breeding cattle under that ownership. Steers do not qualify for a Certificate of Brand Exemption.
3. All breeding bulls require a negative trichomoniasis test.
 4. All dairy cattle over 4 months of age are required to have a negative TB test. Test is good for 120 days prior to showing.
 5. Breeding show heifers must be identified by breed registry number; tattoo or tag for purposes of traceability.
 6. Accredited TB-Free Herd status will be recognized.
 7. Proof of ownership (e.g., Bill of Sale) will be required. Animals shown in this department must have been continuously owned and personally cared for by the exhibitor since June 15 of the current year or be participating in a 4-H or FFA lease program. Replacement Dairy Heifers must be tagged with NMSF ear tag and mailed the DNA envelope(s) by June 15 of the current year to be eligible for entry.
 8. The entry deadline is midnight August 1 of the current year. Entries will only be accepted on-line through the New Mexico State Fair web-site. The entry fee is \$20 per heifer. The entry fee for the showmanship class is \$5.00. **ALL ENTRIES WILL BE ENTERED & PAID ONLINE \$5. Late Entry Fee:** Late Entries will be accepted until August 10 of the current year with a late fee of \$10 per animal.
 9. Jr. Replacement Dairy Heifer entries must arrive first Monday of fair. Move-in hours are 8:00 am until 5:00 pm.
 10. Heifers will be toothed and pregnancy checked beginning at 5:00 pm on Monday.
 11. Replacement dairy heifers will be classified by age.
 12. Tooth Rule: Any heifer having two sets of permanent incisors that have broken through the skin will not be eligible to show. Any heifer having one set of permanent incisors that have broken through the skin will automatically be placed in Class 7.
 13. We will have classification on Monday, September 9 at 5:00 pm. Any heifer obviously in the wrong class will be moved to the appropriate class or be excused from the show at the superintendent's discretion.
 14. Verification of Date of Birth forms must be signed by the breeder, and presented to the division superintendent at the time of pregnancy testing.
 15. Animals in classes 6 and 7 must be bred to be eligible to show.
 16. Registration is not required, but animals must show predominant breed characteristics. Sire and dam should be given.

17. In the event that not enough heifers are shown, breeds may be combined at the discretion of the superintendent.
18. Fitting Regulations are as follows: Absolutely NO artificial coloring, glues or adhesives will be allowed, no exceptions, while on the NMSF, Expo NM premises. Violators of this rule may be disqualified from the show.

19. United States Department of Agriculture Wholesome Meat Act

The United States Department of Agriculture Wholesome Meat Act applies to the sale of market livestock sold during the New Mexico State Fair as follows:

- a. Animals must be in good health and carcasses free of drug or chemical residues.
- b. Antibiotics and sulfonamides have required withdrawal periods.
- c. Drug label directions for use and withdrawal periods must be followed.
- d. If drug or other chemical residues are found in tissue of carcasses, the entire carcass may be condemned.

A licensed veterinarian should be consulted, and drug label directions read, before administering any antibiotics or sulfonamides.

20. YQCA Certification

Any exhibitor entering a Junior Market Show at the New Mexico State Fair is required to take the YQCA test and receive their YQCA Certificate of Completion.

The YQCA otherwise known as the YOUTH FOR QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS is a multi species assurance program. Visit: <http://yqcaprogram.org/> to obtain your certification if you have not already done so.

This will replace Market Certification Forms.

21. Superintendents will release animals not making the sale two (2) hours after the show. Once an exhibitor obtains a written release, they may leave the grounds at any time. Release forms for sale animals will be written following the conclusion of the sale. **No releases will be written until the stalls are clean.** Once an animal(s) has left the grounds, it WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RETURN.

Sale Slots

There will be a total of two (2) sale slots, the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion **must sell**. In the event that Grand and Reserve are shown by the same exhibitor, the Grand Champion must sell.

Classes

Showmanship

A Showmanship Contest will be held at the conclusion of the Show and is open to all exhibitors. Champion Showman Buckles will be presented in Novice, Junior and Senior age groups. A showmanship class fee of \$5.00 must be paid at time of entry.

- Class 1 – Novice Buckle for 1st place
- Class 2 – Junior Buckle for 1st place
- Class 3 – Senior Buckle for 1st place

Heifer Classes:

1. Spring Heifer Calf, born March 1 - May 31, 2024
2. Winter Heifer Calf, born December 1, 2023 - February 29, 2024
3. Fall Heifer Calf, September 1 - November 30, 2023
4. Summer Yearling, born June 1 - August 31, 2023
5. Spring Yearling, born March 1 - May 31, 2023
6. Winter Yearling, born December 1, 2022 - February 28, 2023
7. Fall Yearling, born September 1 - November 30, 2022

Heifers in class 6 & 7 must be bred.

Grand Champion.....Buckle & Rosette
Reserve Grand Champion.....Buckle & Rosette

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