

DEPARTMENT - 4-H/FFA BEEF

(Must be enrolled in the Beef Project)

SPECIAL RULES

1. Read General Rules. Violation of any of the following rules may result in disqualification. All decisions will be made by a county agent and their decision is final.
2. Market beef entries are limited to those animals weighed and verified at the official spring weigh-in. Market beef will be ear tagged with an Official KS 4-H EID tag or tag designated by the Leavenworth Co Extension Office. Family Identification Worksheets for Market Beef will be turned in at official spring weigh-in.
3. To exhibit, all pre-fair entry deadlines must be met. Family Identification Worksheet for Breeding Beef is **DUE By Small Animal Tagging (1st Sunday in May)** in the Extension Office. Official KS 4-H EID tags are not required for breeding beef.
4. All beef animals are to be checked in at the county fair. Market beef will be weighed on designated weigh-in day per the fair 4-H schedule. No weigh back will be allowed. Breeding heifers may be weighed following the market animals if time permits.
5. Judging order will be decided by the superintendents and posted in the barns on the evening before show day. Breeding beef not checked in and market beef not weighed within the designated time must be removed from the fairgrounds.
6. Market Beef weighing less than 1000 lbs will be moved into a **Prospect** class and shown in that class by weight. This class is not eligible for Championship or Livestock Auction.
7. Entries are limited to no more than 4 total animals. Cow/calf pairs count as one head toward the 4 head limit.
8. All miniature cattle breeds (Mini Herefords, Aberdeen Lowline Angus, Dexter) will show in a mini division including breeding and market. Females' hip height must not exceed 45". Steers hip height must not exceed 48".
9. In the Market, Breeding, a minimum of 3 head will be required to make a breed. If less than 3 head are exhibited at the fair, they will be combined in an All Other Breeds (AOB) class. If less than 3 head are in the AOB class, they will be added to the crossbred class. At the discretion of the superintendent market classes will be divided by weight.
10. In the interest of safety, all animals must be halter broken and manageable by the 4-H /FFA member. Any animal not meeting this rule WILL be asked to leave the fairgrounds by an Extension Agent. This rule also applies to the spring weigh-in for market beef.
11. Double registered animals may show in Beef or Dairy, but not both. Animals must show definite characteristics of that breed. A screening Committee, consisting of a Superintendent and the Extension Agent has the right to move an animal to the appropriate class.
12. Blocking chutes are allowed in designated areas only.
13. The beef wash rack will be closed each day from 6pm – 10pm and 4-H/FFA groups will be assigned specific days to a clean-up rotation.
14. Cattle tie outs time is 9pm – no earlier.
15. Both Market and Breeding Competition shall be "no fit"/ "blow and go," whereby adhesives, paints, and powders are not allowed. This includes any sprays or washes that change or alter the coloring of the animal's hair.

SECTION – BREEDING BEEF

CLASSES – 1. Dropped between January 1 – February 28 of current year

Animal must be weaned.

2. Dropped between September 1 – December 31 of previous year

3. Dropped between May 1 – August 31 of previous year

4. Dropped between January 1 – April 30 of previous year

5. Dropped between January 1 – December 31 two years prior

Animal must not have calved.

6. Cow/Calf pair

Cows will not be allowed to enter in this class more than twice.

Example: Cow can be entered in 2019 and 2020

SECTION – MARKET BEEF

CLASSES – Heifer

1000 lbs or more. Shown by breed or ending weight, at the discretion of the superintendent.

Steer

1000 lbs or more. Shown by breed. Crossbred (commercial) steers will be divided by ending weight, at the discretion of the superintendent.

SECTION – MINI BEEF

CLASSES – Breeding Beef – Only miniature breeds listed above are allowed. Must meet hip height requirement.

1. **Dropped between January 1 – February 28 of current year**

Animal must be weaned.

2. **Dropped between September 1 – December 31 of previous year**

3. **Dropped between May 1 – August 31 of previous year**

4. **Dropped between January 1 – April 30 of previous year**

5. **Dropped between January 1 – December 31 two years prior**

Animal must not have calved.

6. **Cow/Calf pair**

Cows will not be allowed to enter in this class more than twice.

Example: Cow can be entered in 2019 and 2020.

CLASSES – Market Beef – Only miniature breeds listed above are allowed. Must meet hip height requirement

Heifer

650 lbs or more. Will show together regardless of breed. Class breaks by ending weight, at the discretion of the superintendent.

Steer

650 lbs or more. Will show together regardless of breed. Class breaks by ending weight, at the discretion of the superintendent.