

BEEF
FEEDER/STARTER CALVES
FINISHED DAIRY STEERS (see Dairy Rules)

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MANUALS

Level 1, Bite Into Beef – 4-H'ers in Grades 3, 4, and 5.

Level 2, On The Mooove – 4-H'ers in Grades 6, 7, and 8

Level 3, Leading The Charge – 4-H'ers in Grades 9, 10, 11, 12 & above

EXHIBIT OPTIONS

Members may choose to exhibit any combination of live animals, a poster, and/or present an action demonstration detailing some aspect of the Beef project. The poster and action demonstration options may be in place of or in addition to the live animal exhibit. Posters must meet poster guidelines described in 4-H Fair Exhibit Information section of this handbook and relate to some area of the manual the member is currently using. Action Demonstration guidelines are also found in this section. Posters must be entered on Thursday morning before the 4-H Fair begins with most of the other non-animal 4-H projects. Members wishing to give an action demonstration are to set up a suitable time with the project superintendent(s).

GENERAL RULES

1. 4-H members must enroll in the Beef Project before February 1 on their enrollment card. **The 4-H'er must also complete three activities from the Beef Manual before the fair or have attended 3 beef workshops.** This manual MUST be turned in when the animals are checked in at the 4-H Fair or 3 beef workshops must have been attended prior to July 1 (A minimum of 5 workshops will be offered.). If you do not meet this requirement, you WILL NOT show. The two-page livestock record sheet must be in your green folder with your other record sheets and turned in by Thursday of the fair.
2. 4-H steers must have their milk teeth in place and no permanent teeth showing or evidence thereof.
3. All 4-H steers and commercial heifers must be weighed and identified by a registered Tippecanoe County ear tag and nose print/retinal scan applied by the county 4-H Beef Committee at the fairgrounds in February. **All heifers must be permanently identified with a tattoo or metal tag, in order to meet federal health requirements.**
4. All steers, commercial heifers, and purebred heifers that may be shown at the county or state 4-H fairs must be listed on the Indiana 4-H Beef Cattle and Dairy Steer Enrollment Form. **Steers and commercial heifer forms must be in the Extension Office by March 1. Starter calf forms must be turned in by May 15th. Purebred heifer's forms must be in by May 15th**

5. A 4-H member may enroll six steers but cannot show more than three steers at the county fair. More than one breed may be shown. No horns on steers.
6. There will be a minimum weight of 700 pounds at Monday weigh-in for show Tuesday and a minimum of 800 pounds for steers to sell in the auction.
7. Steers will be divided into weight and breed classes to be determined by the Beef Committee.
8. Arrival times will be Sunday 6 – 8 a.m. and 3 – 8 p.m.
9. Steers will be weighed Monday morning and heifers will have papers checked Monday by the Beef Committee. Papers and tattoo must be checked and tattoo readable to be eligible to show.
10. A maximum of six heifers may be enrolled. They can be of any breed, but only four may be shown at the fair. All heifers may show in the same class.
11. Cattle must be fed and housed in Tippecanoe County unless approved by the Exhibit Association.
12. A beef exhibitor cannot sell more than one steer through the auction, regardless of placing. Other steers may be sold at pre-priced value. Pre-priced (pool) calves that are not sold through the auction have the privilege of withdrawing by Thursday night.
13. **NO** false hair, pumping, or artificial fitting allowed.
14. The use of graphite, charcoal, spray or any substance to alter the hair color is not allowed.
15. Any lost county ear tags must be reported to the County Extension Office prior to July 1 of current year for re-identification.
16. Heifers cannot sell in the auction.
17. Only straw or shavings will be allowed as bedding.
18. Only one fan will be allowed per beef animal. No floor fans are allowed in the cattle barns.
19. No extra structures or tents are allowed at the beef tie-outs or in the beef barns.
20. In the crossbred steer classes, the animal will be entered and shown in the class in which he shows the most predominant breed characteristic. Any decision on breed class in which a steer is to be shown, which is made by the beef sifting committee, will be final.
21. It takes only one steer or one heifer of a breed to make up a breed for the show.
22. Steers identified as a particular breed in February will show in that breed class at the county 4-H fair. The breed sifting committee has the option of putting the steer in a cross class if steer doesn't show the breed characteristics.
23. All Champion and Reserve Champion steers and commercial heifers will be re-nose printed/retinal scanned prior to the Parade of Champions program. Prints will be read and compared to original identification.
24. Each member may show only those animals listed on his/her form, except under adverse conditions, as determined by the superintendent.
25. Any substitute showman for the 4-H Beef Show must be a Tippecanoe County 4-H member.
26. To exhibit in showmanship, you must show your own animal.

The following heifer age classes will be provided:

1. Senior Yearling Heifer- Calved in September to December of 2007
2. Older Junior Yearling – Calved in January or February of 2008
3. Younger Junior Yearling – Calved in March or April of 2008
4. Older Summer Yearling – Calved in May or June of 2008
5. Younger Summer Yearling – Calved in July or August of 2008
6. Senior Calves – Calved in September, October, November or December of 2008
7. Junior Calves- Calved in January – April 2009

BEEF FEEDER/STARTER CALVES RULES

This class in the beef program designed to allow **first and second year beef** members to show in a class designed to teach them showmanship and grooming skills for the future while building self confidence with smaller calves rather than traditional show calves.

GENERAL RULES

1. Judging for this class will be made on showmanship and grooming only. Placing will be made based on:
 - a. General presentation of the calf in the show ring.
 - b. Knowledge that the participant demonstrates to the judge during a brief interview concerning beef health, breeds, anatomy, grooming techniques and marketing skills.
 - c. Completion of a record sheet for the Feeder Calf Program and Beef Manual.
 - d. It will be noted to spectators that the quality of the animal is not a factor in the judging.
 - e. Show sticks are allowed if used properly.
2. Grooming on show day will be limited to the participant only on the starter calves.
3. Calves must weigh 700 pounds or less at the 4-H fair. Calves will be weighed at the designated beef weigh in time.
4. Grooming and showmanship clinics will be provided to participants.
5. Each participant may enroll more than one calf, however they are limited to one calf to show in the Feeder/Starter class.
6. Participant must have possession of the calf no later than May 1st of the current year. Members or representatives of the beef committee will ear tag calves no later than June 1st. All calves must be enrolled on the official 4-H enrollment form by May 15th of the current project year. Calves are expected to be housed in Tippecanoe County unless permission is granted from the beef committee.
7. Calves may be crossbred or purebred and may be steers or heifers.
8. Calves must be clamped or castrated, dehorned, weaned and broke to lead.
9. Feeder calves will arrive during the designated beef check-in time and will remain on the grounds during the fair week along with the other beef cattle.
10. Classes will be made based on years in project. A minimum of 3 participants will be required for a class and a maximum of 8. Beef committee will determine the appropriate classes. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from the class winners. Champions are not eligible for Beef Grand Champion. All participants will receive a participation ribbon.

11. Participation in this class does not prohibit participants from having additional beef cattle in traditional classes.
12. Appropriate attire is expected of participants at the show.
13. Animals exhibited in the Feeder/Starter class are eligible to return the following year in the traditional beef show as long as they meet all current regulations.

There will be a Grand Champion Heifer Show and a Grand Champion Steer Show on Tuesday night of the fair.

County Born Cattle Premiums - Tippecanoe Cattleman's Association:

All county born cattle receive \$10.00

The Tippecanoe Cattleman's Association provides \$50 cash award to 4-H'ers exhibiting Champion Heifers.

4-H beef exhibitors who have been in the beef project for at least six years may apply for a \$500 scholarship sponsored by the Tippecanoe Cattleman's Association. Awards are based on a scholarship application (due in early July) and the white "Record of 4-H Achievement" cards. Preference will be given to applicants pursuing post-high school education.

2008 BEEF AWARDS SPONSORS

Grand Champion Steer	Tecumseh Kiwanis Club
Grand Champion Heifer	Charles Mather Family
Reserve Grand Champion Steer	Jeff Haan & Family
Reserve Grand Champion Heifer	Hunt Bros. Herfords
.....	(In Memory of Doc Hunt)
Grand Champion Beef Showman	Beutler Meat Processing
Champion Senior Beef Showman	Denhart's Herefords
Champion Intermediate Beef Showman	Dykstra Family
Champion Junior Beef Showman	John & Doug Sheets
.....	(In Memory of Hazel Sheets)
Champion Beginner Beef Showman	Tippecanoe Cattleman's Assoc.
4-H Beef Achievement Award	Richard Harlow
Champion Rate-of-Gain	Les Taylor Family
Champion Angus Steer	Cornell Family
Reserve Champion Angus Steer	Fred Reichart Family
Champion Angus Heifer	Bud Storms Memorial
Reserve Champion Angus Heifer	Floyd Yundt Family
Champion Charolais Steer	Jason & Kendra Garrett & Family
Champion Charolais Heifer	Tippecanoe Cattleman's Assoc.
Reserve Champion Charolais Heifer	Tippecanoe Cattleman's Assoc.
Champion Chianina Steer	Dr. Robin Sheets
Reserve Champion Chianina Steer	Buck Creek Elevator
Champion Chianina Heifer	Storms Family
Reserve Champion Chianina Heifer	Charles & Theresa Shelby Family
Champion Gelbvieh Steer	Steward Seed Jason & Kendra Garret & Fam.
Champion Gelbvieh Heifer	Tippecanoe Cattleman's Assoc.
Champion Hereford Steer	George Sietsma Family
Reserve Champion Hereford Steer	Wendy's
Champion Hereford Heifer	George Sietsma Family

Reserve Champion Hereford HeiferTippecanoe Cattleman's Assoc.
 Champion Limousin Steer..... Monsanto - Pat Haan
 Reserve Champion Limousin Steer Ron & Cherisse Ritchey
 Champion Limousin Heifer..... Ludwig Limousin
 Reserve Champion Limousin Heifer Beck's Hybrids
 Champion Maine Anjou Steer Denny Keiser Family
 Reserve Champion Maine Anjou Steer Asgrow - Pat Haan
 Champion Maine Anjou Heifer Dr. Jerry Preuss & Family
 Reserve Champion Maine Anjou Heifer Denny Keiser Family
 Champion Crossbred Steer Mark & Anne Nesbitt & Family
 Reserve Champion Crossbred Steer Horstman Cattle Company
 Champion Commercial Heifer The DeFreese Family
 Reserve Champion Commercial Heifer..... Wendy's
 Champion Polled Hereford Steer Jason & Kendra Garrett & Family
 Res. Champ Polled Hereford Steer Tippecanoe Cattleman's Association
 Champion Polled Hereford Heifer Robert Ade's Polled Herefords
 Res. Champ Polled Hereford Heifer Tippecanoe Cattleman's Association
 Champion Red Angus Steer Bud Dowden
 Res. Champ Red Angus Steer Bud Dowden
 Champion Red Angus Heifer Bud Dowden
 Res. Champion Red Angus Heifer Bud Dowden
 Champion Red Polled Steer Stewart Seeds Jason & Kendra Garrett & Fam.
 Champion Shorthorn Steer Otis & Geneva German Memorial
 Res. Champion Shorthorn Steer Cornell Shorthorns
 Champion Shorthorn Heifer Fred Inskeep Family
 Res. Champion Shorthorn Heifer..... Katie Keiser
 Champion Simmental Steer Larry Gamble Family
 Res. Champion Simmental Steer DeKalb - Pat Haan
 Champion Simmental Heifer Mark & Jim Jones
 Res. Champion Simmental Heifer Larry Gamble Family
 Champion Starter Calf Buck Creek Elevator
 Reserve Champion Starter Calf ... Stewart Seeds Jason & Kendra Garrett & Fam.