

# JUNIOR BREEDING HEIFER GENERAL RULES

1. Rules and Regulations: General Rules and Regulations apply to this division as well as those listed as Junior Livestock Show Rules and Regulations and those rules listed in each specific and/or special division.
2. Health: All animals must meet Livestock Health Requirements. See Health Regs for details.
3. Exhibitor Eligibility:
  - A. To be eligible to exhibit in this division, exhibitors must be enrolled and a member in good standing in 4-H or FFA or a member of a Junior Breed Association, being eight (8) years of age and not more than twenty-one (21) years as of January 1, 2025. Junior Breed Associations must verify the age and eligibility of their members if over the 4-H age limit.
  - B. Participants must be enrolled in the project in which they are exhibiting. All heifers must be the property of and in the possession of the Participant as of November 20, 2024 (November 10, 2024, for Highland cattle - see breed section for details). Ownership must be shown by breed registry issue/transfer date. Registration must be in the name of the Participant as of December 1st (no late entry fee will be charged on the heifers bought after November 20th and before December 1st). Those heifers sold in Breed Association sales will be allowed to be shown by the Junior Exhibitor entering the heifer with the approval of the new owner.
4. Cattle Eligibility:
  - A. All heifers must be registered in the National Herd Book of the breed. The entry must show the name, the age, and the registration number of the competing animal.
  - B. Nurse cows are not permitted.
  - C. Junior breeding heifers may be entered in the Open show as well, but an entry must be made for both shows.
  - D. Any heifer that is dually registered may enter and show in both the Junior and Open breeding divisions for those respective breeds. A separate entry fee must be paid for both breed shows.
  - E. A participant will be limited to two places in any one (1) individual class.
5. Classes:
  - A. Only one (1) person per animal is permitted in the show arena during the exhibition of individual classes.
  - B. Classes may be divided or combined at the discretion of the Stock Show with the same premium money paid in each class.
  - C. Substitutions within the same class and same owner only will be accepted. There will be no substitution of animals in different classes. Only one (1) substitution for the original animal will be allowed. Substitutions must be in writing and postmarked by the United States, Canadian, or International Postal Service no later than December 10, 2024. No postage meters will be accepted. No substitutions will be allowed after that date.
  - D. There are NO SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES in the Junior Breeding Heifer Division.
6. Premiums:
  - A. Premiums will be paid on a graduated basis according to the number shown.
  - B. National Western Stock Show awards ribbons to winners in each class through 10th place. Banners from the National Western Stock Show will be awarded to each Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion.