

2017 National Cattle Congress Fair

Open & Youth Show Premium Book

Dairy Superintendent:

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General Show Rules

1. Please give all information requested on the entry form. All animals must be registered with current registration papers available when entries are checked. Identify enrollment of cattle, VIP or grade cattle *are eligible*. Animal registration information must be listed on entry form. For VIP/Grade Cattle Permanent ID must be provided. No registration transfers will be accepted at the Fair. **Late entries will be accepted until September 1, 2017, but none will be accepted after that date. A late fee of \$10.00 will also apply per animal.**
2. Juniors ages 9 – 21 as of January 1, 2017 are eligible to show in the Youth Show. Their animals must be owned by the youth or be proven Youth Projects through and or Breed Associations, 4-H or FFA. Youth Names are not required on the papers, but it is strongly advised. **LIMIT OF 6 HEAD PER YOUTH EXHIBITOR.**
3. Novice Show will take place before the Youth Show on Saturday September 16, 2017. There will be 2 classes, 5 & 6 year olds, and 7 & 8 year olds (including 9 year olds not eligible for youth show). Entering can be done during check in of the Youth Show. **Class will be based on the age of the child the day of the show.** (Recommend using calves born on or after December 1, 2016.)
4. Substitution of animals entered will be permitted within and outside a class; providing the request for substitution is accomplished by reasons of satisfactory to the Dairy Cattle Superintendent and that the animal to be substituted is owned by the exhibitor at the time of exhibition. **No transfer papers will be accepted as proof of ownership.**
5. **Health papers will be collected and checked by the clerk at check in time.**
6. All animals must be stalled. No cattle are to be kept in trailers. The Dairy Cattle Superintendent can reassign stalls based on entries and available space. No alterations will be allowed without the consent of the Superintendent.
7. Common bedding will be used in the barns for all dairy cattle. The stalls will be bedded by the National Cattle Congress. **NO STRAW** is to be used for bedding. Wood shavings **MUST** be used as additional bedding. Bagged shavings may be purchased on the grounds.
8. Farm displays are encouraged but may be limited if stalling space is not available.
9. Late arrivals will not be accepted and early releases to other fairs will not be granted without advance permission by the Dairy Superintendent.
10. All animals must be properly cared for. Animals and surrounding area must be kept clean and neat. If improper care does exist, exhibitor may be asked to leave and to forfeit all premiums.
11. **Fans in Barn(s):** To improve air circulation in the barn(s), all barn fans should be facing toward the east end toward the Concourse/Estel Hall. For Paul Barger Building, fans should point towards Anniversary Hall.
12. Clipping chutes are not allowed in the Main Aisles and must be broken down when not in use.
13. All vehicles must be parked in the parking lot. None are to be left by the barns before, during and after Fair.
14. Unloading & Loading will take place at the west end of barns entering through Gate 1 and exiting through Gate 3, to keep an easy traffic flow. If stalled in Paul Barger, please contact Doug Keifer for unloading directions.
15. Trailers may be parked in the North parking lot off the grounds.
16. Information regarding a Veterinarian may be obtained from the Dairy Superintendent.
17. **All Premiums are guaranteed. Open Show & Junior Show CASH Premiums will be paid following the conclusion of the shows. Youth Exhibitors must specify their individual animals on the entries in order to receive Premiums. EACH ANIMAL MAY ONLY BE SHOWN BY 1 YOUTH INDIVIDUAL.**
18. **JR. BEST 3 & SR. BEST 3 GROUP CLASSES ARE BRED & OWNED.** All animals must be shown in individual classes. No partnership (other than within family or farm entries) or syndicate bred animals will be accepted unless the exhibitor is listed as that partnership or syndicate. **Limit 1 entry per exhibitor.**
JR. Best 3 – Heifers ONLY – JR. Calf – SR. Yearling Classes
SR. Best 3 – Cows Only – JR 2 Year Old – Aged Cow Classes
19. **BEST 4 HEAD CLASS (No Entry Fee)** – Only one class will be judged consisting of all breeds. Groups may contain more than one breed. At least 2 of the animals need to be **BRED** and all must be **OWNED** by the exhibitor. No partnership (other than family or farm entry) or syndicate bred animals will be accepted unless the exhibitor is listed as that partnership or syndicate. **Limit of 1 entry per exhibitor.**
20. **COUNTY GROUP CLASS (No Entry Fee)** – Best **5 Head** from at least **4 exhibitors** in a county. Entries will be taken up through check in the night prior to the show. Limit 2 entries per county, but individual exhibitors may only participate within one group.
21. **Both Shows will follow classes as ordered starting with the JR. Calves. Cows, beginning with JR. 2 Year Olds will begin at 1:00pm both days.**
22. This will be the 6th Annual Dairy Heifer Scholarship Show. Youth Exhibitors qualify for this special show by winning Supreme or Reserve Supreme Champion Heifer of all breeds at their 4-H/FFA County Fair. Forms should be available through the respective county extension offices or through the National Cattle Congress office.

JUDGES TO BE DETERMINED

Open Show Premium Schedule for All Breeds

Heifer Classes (JR. Calf – SR. Yearling Classes)	\$75-50-25-15-10
Cow Classes (JR. 2 – Aged Cow Classes)	\$100-50-30-20-10
JR. Champion	\$200-100
JR. Best 3	\$150-100-50
Grand Champion	\$200-100
SR. Best 3	\$150-100-50
Supreme JR. Champion	\$200-100
Supreme Champion Cow	\$500-300
Best 4 Head Group	\$200-100

Youth Show Premium Schedule for All Breeds

Heifer Classes (JR. Calf – SR. Yearling Classes)	\$30-20-15-10-5
Cow Classes (JR. 2 – Aged Cow Classes)	\$40-25-15-10-10
JR. Champion	\$50-25
Supreme JR. Champion	\$50-25
Grand Champion	\$100
Supreme Champion	\$100-50
County Group Class	\$100-75-50-50-25-25-25-25
Showmanship Classes	Trophy

Premiums are subject to change

Dairy Sponsors

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2017 National Cattle Congress Open & Youth Dairy Show Schedule

Wednesday, September 13th

- 11am All Dairy Cattle may arrive

Thursday, September 14th

- 6pm Open Dairy must be in
- 7pm Open Dairy Check-In

Friday, September 15th

- 9am Open Dairy Show in McElroy Auditorium
(Beginning with JR. Calves)
- 4pm Open Dairy released
- 6pm Youth Dairy must be in
- 6pm Scholarship Heifers must be in
- 7pm Youth Dairy & Scholarship Heifers Check-In

Saturday, September 16th

- 8am Novice Show
- 8:30am Iowa Supreme Champion Dairy Heifer Scholarship Show
- 9am Youth Show in McElroy Auditorium
(Beginning with JR. Calf)
- All Dairy released after Youth Show
- 10pm All Dairy must be out
(Except Blue Ribbon Row)

Milking Facilities:

The milking parlor will again be available at the West end of Barn 6. Set milking hours are TBD. Exhibitors may also feel free to bring their own milking equipment.

2010 HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR EXHIBITION OF LIVESTOCK, POULTRY AND BIRDS AT STATE FAIR AND DISTRICT SHOWS

SECTION 1 - GENERAL

A. All animals, poultry and birds intended for exhibition within the State of Iowa will be considered under quarantine and not eligible for showing until the owner or agent presents a CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION, stating the animals, poultry or birds are apparently free from symptoms of infectious or communicable diseases as determined on clinical inspection by an accredited veterinarian within 30 days (14 days for sheep) prior to date of entry to exhibition grounds.

B. INDIVIDUAL CERTIFICATES OF VETERINARY INSPECTION WILL NOT BE REQUIRED in certain classes, if the division superintendent has made prior arrangements with the official fair veterinarian to have all animals and/or birds inspected on arrival and prior to exhibition.

ANY EVIDENCE OF WARTS, RINGWORM, FOOT ROT, PINK EYE, DRAINING ABSCESSSES, OR ANY OTHER CONTAGIOUS DISEASE WILL ELIMINATE THE ANIMAL FROM THE SHOW.

SECTION 2 - BREEDING CATTLE

TUBERCULOSIS (Iowa is Class Free):

Cattle originating from an accredited-free state or zone may be exhibited without other testing requirements when accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection that lists official individual identification. Cattle from a herd or area under quarantine for tuberculosis may not be exhibited. Cattle from a state or zone which is not an accredited-free state or zone must meet the following requirements:

1. An individual animal test conducted within 60 days of the exhibition, or
2. Originate from a tuberculosis accredited-free herd, with the accredited herd number and date of last test listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

BRUCELOSIS (Iowa is Class Free):

A. Native Iowa cattle originating from a herd not under quarantine can be exhibited without other testing requirements when accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, showing individual identity.

B. Cattle originating outside the state must meet one of the following requirements:

1. Originate from Brucellosis Class "Free" states, when accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection and showing individual official identification, or
2. Officially vaccinated under 24 months (beef), 20 months (dairy), when accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, showing official calf hood vaccination and individual official identification.

3. Animals of any age originating from a herd not under quarantine when accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, showing a report of a negative brucellosis test conducted within 30 days prior to opening date of exhibition and individual official identification, or
4. Originate from a certified brucellosis free herd, accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, showing individual official identity, herd number, and date of last test, or
5. Calves less than 6 months of age when accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, showing individual official identification.

NOTES:

1. All brucellosis tests must have been confirmed by a State-Federal Laboratory.
2. All nurse cows which accompany calves to be exhibited must meet above health requirements.
3. All cattle and bison originating from states not officially classified as brucellosis or tuberculosis free must obtain a pre-entry permit from the Iowa State Veterinarian's Office. (515.281.5547)

SECTION 3 - MARKET BEEF CATTLE

Steers and beef-type heifers exhibited in market classes must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, showing individual identification for each animal and originate from a herd not under quarantine.

ANIMAL INDUSTRY BUREAU



Bill Northey

Secretary of Agriculture

SHOW RING CODE OF ETHICS

The showing of registered dairy cattle is an important part of the promotion, merchandising and breeding program of many breeders. Additionally, it is important part of the program of the various dairy breed associations to stimulate and sustain interest in breeding registered dairy cattle. This relates to both spectators and exhibitors. In this connection, the Purebred Dairy Cattle Association, the Iowa PDCC and the Iowa State Fair believe that it is in the best interest of the breeders of registered dairy cattle to maintain a reputation of integrity and to present a wholesome and progressive image of their cattle in the show ring.

It is recognized there are certain practices in the proper care and management of dairy cattle that are necessary in the course of moving dairy cattle to and between shows that are advisable to keep them sound, healthy state so they might be presented in the show ring in a natural and normal condition.

Conversely, the following practices or procedures are considered unacceptable in the show ring. Also the following practice or procedures are considered unacceptable and defined as being fraudulent and/or unethical in the show ring of registered Dairy Cattle.

1. Misrepresenting the age and/or milking status of the animal for the class in which it is shown.
2. Treating the animal, particularly the udder, internally or externally, with an irritant or counter-irritant, or other substance to artificially improve the conformation.
3. Surgery or insertion of foreign matter under the skin, performed to change the natural contour of appearance of the animal's body, though not to preclude practices required or involved in normal management.
4. Criticizing or interfering with the judge, show management or other exhibitors while in the show ring, or other conduct detrimental to the breed or the show.
5. Setting teats or manipulating a teat or alter its normal position such as to unnaturally hold it plumb or to alter its length is unacceptable and shall be given slight to serious discrimination by the judge.

The following practices and procedures are considered to detract from the image of the show ring when carried to excess and will be given slight to serious discrimination in placing within class.

1. Excessive manipulation of hair.
2. Use of artificial hair except for false switches.
3. Unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of show person.

The following practices should be encouraged to enhance the image of the show.

1. Establish uniform dress code for exhibitors in the show ring.
2. Recognize good herdsmanship and exhibits in the barn(s).

In keeping with the basic philosophy of the PDCA, ethics are an individual responsibility of the owner of each animal show.

VIOLATION OF THE SHOW RING CODE OF ETHICS IS DETERMINED BY THE NATIONAL CATTLE CONGRESS FAIR OFFICIALS AND WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OF THE ANIMAL AND EXHIBITOR. THE EXHIBITOR MAY ALSO BE BANNED FROM SHOWING IN FUTURE SHOWS.

Group Classes of 3 - Open Show Only

Jr. Best & Sr. Best 3 group classes are **all bred & owned**. All animals must be shown in individual classes. No partnership (other than within family or farm entry) or syndicate bred animals will be accepted unless the exhibitor is listed as that partnership or syndicate. Limit 1 entry per exhibitor.

Jr. Best 3 – Heifers Only – Classes Jr. Calf - Sr. Yearling
Sr. Best 3 – Cows Only Classes Jr. 2 Year Old – Aged Cow

Best 4 Head Class – Open Show Only

Only one class will be judged consisting of all breeds. Groups may contain more than one breed. At least 2 of the animals need to be **Bred & ALL must be owned by exhibitor**. No partnership (other than within the family or farm entry) or syndicate bred animals will be accepted unless the exhibitor is listed as that partnership or syndicate. **Limit of 1 entry per exhibitor.**

County Group Class – No Entry Fee – Youth Show Only

Best 5 head from at least 4 exhibitors in a county. Entries will be taken up through check in the night prior to the show. Limit 2 entries per county, but individual exhibitors may only participate within one group.

Showmanship

Junior	Ages 9 – 12
Intermediate	Ages 13 – 17
Senior	Ages 18 – 21

No Entry Fees for Group Classes (Best 3; Best 4 or County Group)

Please sign up for Showmanship Classes prior to the Youth Show on Saturday.
Showmanship will conclude the Youth Show.

Open & Youth Dairy Class Entry Numbers

Class	Ayrshire	Brown Swiss	Guernsey	Holstein	Jersey	Milking Shorthorn
Jr. Calf 3/1-5/31 2017	1001	2001	3001	4001	5001	6001
Int. Calf 12/1/16- 2/29/17	1002	2002	3002	4002	5002	6002
Sr. Calf 9/1-11/30 2016	1003	2003	3003	4003	5003	6003
Summer Yearling 6/1-8/30 2016	1004	2004	3004	4004	5004	6004
Jr. Yearling 3/1-5/31 2016	1005	2005	3005	4005	5005	6005
Winter Yearling 12/1/15- 2/28/16	1006	2006	3006	4006	5006	6006
Sr. Yearling 9/1-11/30 2015	1007	2007	3007	4007	5007	6007
Jr. Best 3 Open Show ONLY	1008	2008	3008	4008	5008	6008
Jr. 2 Year Old Cow 3/1-8/30 2015	1009	2009	3009	4009	5009	6009

Open & Youth Dairy Class Entry Numbers

Class	Ayrshire	Brown Swiss	Guernsey	Holstein	Jersey	Milking Shorthorn
Sr. 2 Year Old Cow 9/1/2014- 2/28/2015	1010	2010	3010	4010	5010	6010
Jr. 3 Year Old Cow 3/1-8/30 2014	1011	2011	3011	4011	5011	6011
Sr. 3 Year Old Cow 9/1/2013- 2/28/2014	1012	2012	3012	4012	5012	6012
4 Year Old Cow 9/1/2012- 8/30/2013	1013	2013	3013	4013	5013	6013
5 Year Old Cow 9/1/2011- 8/30/2012	1014	2014	3014	4014	5014	6014
Aged Cow Born Before 9/1/2011	1015	2015	3015	4015	5015	6015
Sr. Best 3 Open Show ONLY	1016	2016	3016	4016	5016	6016
Best 4 Head All Owned @ Least 2 Bred Open Show ONLY			7017			
County Group Youth Show ONLY			CG 15			

The History of the National Cattle Congress

The first ever Dairy Cattle Congress was opened in Waterloo on October 10, 1910. The responsibility for the success or failure of the show rested largely on the shoulders of Hugh G. Van Pelt, general manager of the first five Dairy Cattle Congresses. Both local & out-of-town manufacturers were urged to exhibit their products. Breeders & Dairymen from far & near were importuned to enter their stock. Van Pelt himself went to Illinois State Fair at Springfield & secured "A special train which brought 13 carloads of the of the choicest cattle" directly to the Waterloo show.

The first dairy show was at Chautauqua Park, a beautifully located spot in a very pretty bit of timber on the east bank of the Cedar River. The central building of the show was the Coliseum, a large circular building 160 feet in diameter & of steel construction. It was said to be the largest building in Iowa without a post. "Big as it is," declared Wallace's Farmer, "it was crowded to its utmost capacity, with some 300 Holsteins, Jerseys, Guernsey's & Ayrshires, as well as with a great variety of dairy machinery." Since the inaugural event was not a corporate entity, it was doubtful whether Waterloo would secure the 1911 meeting of the Iowa State Dairy Association. When officers met in the spring of 1911, they had practically decided to hold the convention in Des Moines. Harry E. Kiester made a bid single-handed & convinced them that Waterloo was the best place in the state for them to meet. Waterloo businessmen offered to assume "all responsibility" for both the convention & the show. Finally Waterloo put up from \$6000 to \$8000 in cash prizes for the dairy cattle & butter. The prize money was said to be the largest amount ever offered in the United States for a similar event. It's a small wonder that the Iowa State Dairy Association promptly accepted Waterloo's generous offer. At the close of the 1911 exposition, the association adopted resolutions endorsing the "second Iowa dairy cattle show" & heartily recommended that it be continued in the future.

In August of 1913, the Dairy Cattle Congress was incorporated as an independent organization to conduct expositions, fairs, shows, entertainment & displays; to promote dairy & agricultural interests in general and to carry on such other business as might be determined by a board of directors consisting of 9 stockholders elected annually. Enthusiasm ran so high during the 1911 meeting that the Waterloo Courier could see "no harm in trying" to take the National Dairy Show from Chicago. In 1912, the Dairy Cattle Congress moved from Chautauqua Park to its present grounds. In each succeeding year, the size and quality of the dairy exposition seemed to improve. James Wilson, former Secretary of Agriculture, declared to the dairymen attending the sixth cattle congress in 1915 that in all his long experience he had never "seen as many fine dairy cattle brought together as you have on these grounds today."

Other eventful years included 1925 when a windstorm destroyed three original wooden barns shortly before the 1925 show. The John G. Miller Construction Company rallied all stone masons, bricklayers and carpenters in town and within one week, the wreckage was replaced with the brick barns still standing today.

In 1927, the show was rained out. During the early 30's the Cattle Congress fell under the blows of the Great Depression. During 1937, the Industrial Exhibition Building was

destroyed by fire. In 1942, the Iowa State Fair and other local fairs were canceled for the duration of World War II. In 1943, 1944 and 1945, the Cattle Congress "kept alive" by providing a home for the Iowa State 4-H Dairy Club Show. Following the war, the Cattle Congress entered the greatest seven-year period in its history. Profits twice as large as its prior best years stimulated another building program.

Maurice Telleen, past manager of the Waterloo show, stated that the National Dairy Cattle Congress was not "National" anymore, but regional. There are several reasons for this change: shipping cattle for long distances by rail had become economically prohibitive and, in the days of curtailed rail service, geographically impossible. The Dairy Cattle Congress became a regional "wind-up" show usually held in late September, after the state fairs were over. Exhibitors look upon the Waterloo show as an opportunity to have their local champions compared with other local champions.

For over 90 years, people have been coming to the Dairy Cattle Congress in Waterloo to be entertained. Many of them find this entertainment by walking through the barns or experiencing the nostalgia and adventure when viewing farm machinery. There continues to be much incidental entertainment for the Cattle Congress visitor and large name acts to attract people to the event. Whatever the entertainment may be, the Board of Directors remains dedicated to education. An old poster advertising the National Dairy Cattle Congress is merely making a play on words when it declares that "Congress entertainment is educational; its education is entertaining; it is ALL inspirational." Whatever memories of this annual event stir within all of us, one thing is clear; The National Cattle Congress will continue to bring the best in agriculture, livestock, entertainment and education to all of Iowa and the Midwest.

