

2022 DAIRY FEEDERS

Junior Fair Superintendents – Melanie Lee, Kyla Stockdale
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117DF - DAIRY BEEF FEEDER

PROJECT: The member is required to have physical possession of the project animal by April 2. Complete the members project guide requirements as indicated in the project book and specifically the general project guidelines. Members are required to be physically involved on a daily basis in watering, feeding, and decision making for the care of their project animals.

EXHIBIT: The member is encouraged to enter and exhibit up to two eligible feeder calves meeting the age requirements and possession date requirements. Members are also encouraged to enter showmanship. Record books must be completed up to date to be eligible to exhibit.

REQUIRED RESOURCE BOOK FOR DAIRY FEEDER PROJECT

117R Beef Resource Handbook for Market, Breeding and Feeder Calf Projects - Order the book only once. It contains essential subject matter information for members taking a market, breeding, beef feeder or dairy feeder calf project. This is an excellent resource for skillathons. There is a cost charged to the member for this quality resource book.

- **POSSESSION DATES**

Dairy Feeders - Saturday, April 2

- **MANDATORY WEIGH-IN/TAG DAY**

Saturday, April 2, 8:00–11:00 a.m. - Marion County Fairgrounds

All dairy feeders to be shown at the fair must be weighed and tagged on Saturday, April 2 from 8:00-11:00 a.m.

- ❖ Ear tags provided by the Marion County Fair Sale Committee.
- ❖ All calves will be given mandatory vaccines (IBR, BVD, PI3 and BRSV) at weigh-in, at exhibitor's expense. Cost will be mailed prior to weigh-in.
- ❖ Limit of 5 dairy feeders may be weighed and tagged per exhibitor.

SKILLATHON – June 12

To enhance the learning experience for youth exhibiting livestock at the fair. **Youth are required to attend and participate in at least one skillathon to complete their project and be eligible for exhibition at the Marion County Fair.** In order to exhibit at the Ohio State Fair, all county requirements must be met.

An alternative completion option is available for those that cannot attend the appropriate skillathon will be on June 22, by contacting the Extension Office to set up an appointment. Those who participate in the alternative completion option **will be ineligible for Outstanding Market Exhibitor.**

To be eligible for Outstanding Market Exhibitor, youth must participate in each skillathon for the desired specie. For example, if Andrea wants to be eligible for both market lamb and market swine OME, she must participate in both the sheep and swine skillathon.



2022 Family Rule Beef, Dairy/Dairy Feeder, Goat, Sheep Departments

- ✓ A family (siblings residing at the same address) may enter/tag up to the maximum number of animals for that department. These animals will be tagged or entered under the family name. Family entry forms for animals that are tagged/weighed in will be provided at the weigh in. This includes market beef, dairy feeders, market goats and market sheep. Family entry forms for breeding beef, breeding dairy and breeding sheep will be included in the Project Information pages.
- ✓ Each individual exhibitor will submit an entry form with the number of animals he or she is planning to show (up to the department maximum).
- ✓ Upon entering the fairgrounds, each exhibitor must declare which animal(s) he or she will be showing. No changes will be allowed after this time.
- ✓ The animals declared must have been entered on the family weigh-in/entry form and tagged/weighed if required.

This rule allows for exhibitors to show the animal that is most suited to their skill level. It also allows an exhibitor to still be able to show and sell an animal should one of theirs die or be hurt prior to the fair.

- **QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- February 24 River Valley High School Room 111 at 6:00
- March 31 Test-Out Option Extension Office 6:00PM
- April 5 Elgin Building enter Comet Door 6:30-7:30
- May 10 Evers Arena 6:30-7:30

LAST DAY FOR QUALITY ASSURANCE ELIGIBILITY IS MAY 17, per new guidelines of the Ohio Department of Agriculture.

- **DAIRY FEEDER ROYALTY AND HUSBANDRY SELECTION**

June 12, 7:00 p.m., OSU Extension office.

- **DAIRY FEEDER FAIR ENTRY DEADLINE**

Feeders – March 31

- **DAIRY FEEDER SKILLATHON**

Sunday, June 12- 1:15 p.m.; Contest - 1:30–5:00 p.m.

- **DAIRY FEEDER CHECK-IN AT THE MARION COUNTY FAIR THROUGH WEST GATE ONLY**

Sunday, July 3, 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Jr. Fair Board members and immediate family may bring animals in at 3:30 p.m.

Animals will be weighed in off the trailer

- **DAIRY FEEDER FAIR RELEASE DATE/TIME**

Sunday, July 10, 9:00 a.m.

All exhibitors must have their pens cleaned by 12:00 noon on Sunday, July 10.

- **EXHIBITOR/BARN MEETING (MARION COUNTY FAIR)**

Sunday, July 3, 8:30 p.m. – Picnic Pavilion

- **MARION COUNTY FAIR DAIRY/DAIRY FEEDER SHOW**

Monday, July 4, 1:00 p.m. - Dairy Feeder Obstacle Course

Wednesday, July 6, 9:00 a.m. - Dairy Showmanship Followed by Dairy Breeding Classes; Dairy Feeder Showmanship Followed by Dairy Feeder Market Classes
 Thursday, July 7, 6:00 p.m. – Back to Farm Sale in Evers

- **GENERAL RULES FOR MARION COUNTY FAIR DAIRY FEEDER SHOW**

1. All animals must be free of evidence of contagious or infectious disease.
2. All pens must be cleaned daily by 8:00 a.m. and water must be available for animals. (This means cleaning out old shavings/straw, feeding animals, and water.)
3. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to feed and care for his/her animal(s) at exhibitor's risk until the animal is released.
4. All animals must be double tied when in their stall.
5. All junior calves must have a neck halter when in their stall.
6. Must use water buckets provided by the Junior Fair Board

- **DAIRY FEEDER RULES AND INFORMATION**

1. Dairy feeder calves must weigh more than 350 pounds and less than 650 pounds.
2. Dairy feeder calves must be male, dehorned, and castrated (no clamping) by April 2 (before weigh-in).
3. Dairy feeder classes will be limited to Purebred Ayrshire, Holstein, Guernsey, Brown Swiss, Jersey or crossbreeds of these five (no beef or beef crosses).
4. All dairy feeder calves are to be vaccinated for the following, shortly after purchase: IBR, BVD, PI3, and BRSV. All calves will be vaccinated again at the weigh-in at the exhibitor's expense.
5. Dairy Feeder Showmanship will be judged using beef showmanship standards and criteria.
6. Overall Grand and reserve champions will be drug tested immediately following conclusion of the show.

- **DAIRY FEEDER SHOWMANSHIP**

	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Senior Showmanship (16+ years as of Jan. 1st)	5.00	4.00	3.00
2. Intermediate Showmanship (14-15 years as of Jan. 1st)	5.00	4.00	3.00
3. Junior Showmanship (11-13 years as of Jan. 1st)	5.00	4.00	3.00
4. Beginners Showmanship (8-10 year as of Jan. 1st)	5.00	4.00	3.00
5. Showman of Showmen	5.00	4.00	3.00
6. Parent/Advisor Showman of Showmen	No Premium		
7. Pee Wee Showmanship	No Premium		

- **CLASS PREMIUMS**

A-\$4.00; B-\$3.00; C-No premium

- **DAIRY FEEDER MARKET CLASSES**

Class 117DF - Dairy Feeder Market Class
 Division Champions will not sell in the Sale of Champions

- **DAIRY FEEDER OBSTACLE COURSE**

Monday, July 4, 1:00 p.m. - Fun class of animal handling, open to all dairy exhibitors. Skills required are: leading a calf through pylons, gates, straw bales, stock trailer, and a final proper slip knot tie off. Winner will be based on the lowest time to complete all obstacles. Prizes will be awarded to places 1 through 5.