



Jr. Market Beef

Superintendent: Kade Hopkins

Judge: Brady Ragland

Check In: Tuesday of fair week 7am-12pm

Show: Thursday of fair week following the Breeding Heifer show

****Entries Close 10:59pm First Friday of September****

Division Rules

See Junior Division General Livestock Rules

All in-state junior livestock (cattle, sheep, goats and swine) showing at New Mexico Shows must have an NMLB APPROVED 840 tag and a Form 1 inspection issued by the NMLB before entering any county or state Fair. All out of state livestock must comply with New Mexico import requirements. The Form 1 inspection will be issued at the time the NMLB APPROVED tag is placed in the animal. The application of the tag will be done by the extension agent, FFA advisor or Fair personnel. The purpose of these requirements is to keep on file a record of animals that are commingled at Expos and shows.

Ownership:

Any animal shown in this department must continuously have been owned and personally cared for by the exhibitor since June 15th of the current year. Market Beef must be tagged with an 840-ear tag. Any animal that has been sold through a non-premium sale in any state or county may not be exhibited at the SNMSFR.

YQCA Certification:

YQCA Certification Forms: All Exhibitors of Junior Market Animals are required to submit a YQCA Certificate number at entry. No Junior Market animal will be allowed to show without the number.

Entries:

The entry deadline is 10:59pm (mst) on the first Friday of September of the current year. Entries will only be accepted on-line through the Southern New Mexico State Fair website. The entry fee is \$15 per beef. The entry fee for the Showmanship Class is \$5. There is no limit on the number of beeves each exhibitor may enter. Late Entry Fee: Late Entries will be accepted until September 15 of the current year with a late fee of \$25 per animal. ALL ENTRIES WILL BE ENTERED & PAID ONLINE. Steers and market heifers may show in this division. Breeding Heifers may not be entered as Market Beef. Heifers cannot be entered in both market and breeding and cannot be changed after entries close or at check-in.

Arrival:

Jr. Market Beef entries must be on grounds by 12pm on Tuesday of Fair week. Market Heifers must be vet certified open 45 days prior to show.

Neck Ropes:

For the safety of the animal, exhibitors, and general public, neck ropes for Market Beef are mandatory while in stalls.

Trimming Chutes & Fans:

Chutes will be assigned as space permits and only in designated areas of the concrete slab area at the discretion of the Superintendent. No more than one chute per exhibitor will be allowed. Only one fan per animal will be allowed and it must be suspended. NO ground-based fans (butt fans) will be permitted.

Absolutely no junior market beef will be permitted to tie outside the Beef Barn. All junior beef entries may feed and/or exercise outside the barn but must return to their designated bedding area at all other times. NO junior beef entries are permitted to spend the night anywhere other than their designated bedding area.

Classification:

Market beef classes will be determined by weight. Final class breaks will be at the discretion of the superintendent.

Show Weight:

Minimum weight is 900 lbs. with no maximum show weight.

Fitting Regulations are as follows:

Absolutely NO adhesives, paints, powders or dyes, other than water-based products may be used on beef. Any beef with dressing other than water-based products will immediately be removed from the ring and will not be allowed to compete. Violators of this rule can be disqualified from the show by the judge and/or the superintendent. Market beef are allowed to be drenched, no stomach pumps.

Sale:

Junior Livestock Sale: A total of 10 Junior market beef will be eligible for the sale. These will be allocated in proportion to the number entered in each class. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion are required to sell.

****New for 2025**** Exhibitors are allowed to sell 2 animals in the Livestock Sale, but they must be of different species.

Releases:

Cattle will remain in place until the official check-out times (see schedule of events.) Release/destination sheets can be picked up in the livestock office at any time and are due back by 10:30 am Saturday of fair week.

Showmanship

A Showmanship contest will be held following the Grand Drive. The show is open to all entered exhibitors. Champion showmanship buckles will be presented in Novice, Junior and Senior age groups. A Showmanship class fee of \$5 must be paid at the time of entry. Market beef and breeding heifers will show together for showmanship.

Champion Showman:

Novice.....Buckle & Banner
 Junior.....Buckle & Banner
 Senior.....Buckle & Banner

Reserve Champion Showman:

Novice.....Banner
 Junior.....Banner
 Senior.....Banner

Classes

Market Beef is divided into classes by weight subject to change at the discretion of superintendent.

Light
Medium
Heavy

Awards

- Classes
 - 1st – 6th place in class.....Ribbons
- Grand Champion Drive
 - Grand Champion.....Buckle, Rosette, Banner
 - Reserve Grand Champion.....Buckle, Rosette, Banner
 - 3rd – 5th Overall.....Banner



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