



Junior Replacement Dairy Heifers

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

Show: Tuesday of fair week – 4:00pm

****Entries Close 10:59 pm 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 Fairs and shows.

Ownership:

Any animal shown in this department must continuously have been owned and personally cared for by the exhibitor since June 30 of the current year. Jr. Replacement Heifers must be tagged with an 840 ear tag. Any animal that has been sold through a 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 heifer. The entry fee for the Showmanship Class is \$5. There is no limit on the number of heifers 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. Heifers may only be show in this division.

Arrival:

Jr. Replacement Heifer entries must be on the grounds by 12pm on Tuesday of Fair week. Bill of sale, with heifer's date of birth and date of purchase will be required to be presented to the superintendent at time of check-in along with a negative TB test.

Neck Ropes:

For the safety of the animal, exhibitor, and general public, neck ropes for breeding heifers 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 breeding heifers will be permitted to tie outside the Beef Barn. All Junior cattle entries may feed and/or exercise outside the barn but must return to their designated bedding area at all other times. NO Junior cattle entries are permitted to spend the night anywhere other than their designated bedding area.

Classification:

Heifers of any recognized dairy breed may be entered. Registration is not required but animals must show predominant breed characteristics. Class six (6) and seven (7) must be declared pregnant at check-in by a veterinarian or AI technician by palpitation or ultrasound. Exhibitors may only show one heifer per class 1-7.

Fitting Regulations are as follows:

Absolutely NO dressing (such as oil, paint, dye, powder, etc.) other than water-based products may be used on heifers. Any heifer with dressings 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.

Sale:

Junior Livestock Sale: A total of 10 Junior Replacement Heifers will be eligible for the sale. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion are required to sell. Dairy heifers will be sold on a premium basis, there will not be a packer for dairy heifers.

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

Releases:

Dairy Heifers 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 at the conclusion of the Show and is open to all exhibitors. Champion Showman Buckles will be presented in Novice, Junior and Senior age groups. A showmanship class fee of \$5.00 must be paid at time of entry.

Champion Showman:

Novice.....Buckle & Banner

Junior.....Buckle & Banner

Senior.....Buckle & Banner

Reserve Champion Showman:

Novice.....Banner

Junior.....Banner

Senior.....Banner

Classes:

- Class 1 Spring Heifer – Born March 1st current year - May 31st current year.
- Class 2 Winter Heifer – Born December 1st previous year - February 28th current year.
- Class 3 Fall Heifer – Born September 1st previous year - November 30th previous year.
- Class 4 Summer Yearling Heifer – Born June 1st previous year – August 31st previous year.
- Class 5 Spring Yearling Heifer – Born March 1st previous year - May 31st previous year.
- Class 6 Winter Yearling Heifer – Born December 1st two years prior -February 28th previous year– Required to be confirmed pregnant.
- Class 7 Fall Yearling Heifer – Born September 1st two years prior - November 30th two years prior– Required to be confirmed pregnant.

Awards

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



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