

POULTRY - weight requirements are stated under the Poultry Dept. 107, Class F - Market Class.

GRADE REQUIREMENTS - The animals must meet a USDA grade requirement to sell. **Steers** will be graded by an independent grader and must grade Select Plus or higher. Grading will be done at the scale during fair weigh-in. Decisions by the grader are final; **Hogs** will be graded by the official judge. Hogs must grade #1 or #2.

SALE ANIMALS - Each exhibitor may sell only one animal, except poultry (see Poultry, Dept. 107-Class Market Poultry) or rabbits (market pen of three rabbits). Exhibitors are encouraged to participate in showmanship for ALL of their livestock entries. **Exhibitors can choose which animal they will sell** in the Meat Animal Sale if they meet all the sale requirements, including participate in showmanship for the species they intend to sell. **Exhibitors of champion and reserve champion animals are not required to sell that animal** if they have participated in showmanship for each market animal exhibited. If the exhibitor of a champion animal has not participated in showmanship for ALL of their market animal species, they will be required to sell the champion or reserve champion animal or the species for which all of the requirements have been met.

ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP - Each exhibitor must be a member of their respective organizations: Richland County Beef Producers, Richland Area Sheep & Goat Producers; Richland County Pig Project Club; Richland County Rabbits-R-Us; or Richland County Feathered Friends.

SALE REQUIREMENT - All sellers (Beef, Sheep/Goats, Swine, Poultry and Rabbits) in the Richland County Meat Animal Sale will be required to participate in Quality Assurance training or educational workshops set by each of the species' associations. Each species' association has its own set of requirements. The requirements and meetings dates will be posted through emails and FFA Advisors will be notified. All Education Reports and YQCA documentation must be turned into the Extension Office by **July 15**. All sellers and parent(s)/guardians must sign an acknowledgement of the rules and regulations of the sale and return it to the Richland County Extension office by **July 15**. Species groups will provide a list of members eligible to sell to the Meat Animal Sale Committee. All potential sellers are to talk with two prospective buyers of their choice and get the buyers' signature on the provided MASC Signature Card. The Buyers Card is due to the Extension Office by **August 15**. **Failure to complete the Buyers Card on time will result in double commission.**

SALES COMMISSION - All participants will pay 5% of the amount paid by the buyer.

BUYERS - A base price will be established on beef steers, dairy steers, market hogs, market lambs, and market goats. Buyers will have the option of purchasing the animal at full bid price and taking possession of the animal; or the buyer can pay the difference between the full bid price and the base price, with the exhibitor retaining ownership of the animal. Commission will be taken on the amount paid by the buyer and will come out of the exhibitor's check.

IMPORTANT DATES: (If deadline falls on a weekend, forms can be placed in the drop box located by the front door of the Extension Office.)
January (last Saturday) – Beef Weigh-In

February (first Saturday) – Beef Weigh-In and Beef ID Deadline

May 15 – Pig Identification Deadline

June 15 – Sheep & Goat Identification Deadline

July 15 – Rabbit Identification Deadline (Roasters only)

July 15 – Education Reports and YQCA certificates are due to the Extension Office

July 15 – Meat Animal Sale Acknowledgement Form due

August 1 – Fair Entry Deadline (www.fairentry.com)

August 15 – Rabbit Identification Deadline (Fryers and Meat Pens only)

August 15 – Buyers Cards due to the Extension Office

August 15 – Deadline to submit a written request to the Meat Animal Sale Committee if they are unable to participate in showmanship.

DIVISION J - JUNIOR

Department 102 - Beef Cattle

Superintendent - Mike Huffar

ALL ANIMALS MUST HAVE AN ACCEPTED ID NUMBER
(Breeding Beef – 840 Tag or USDA Metal Ear Tag)
(Steers – 840 Tag or Richland County Tag)

JUDGING - THURSDAY EVENING AND FRIDAY NOON

See front of book for rules governing cattle exhibits. See Division O, Department 2 for Age Classifications.

- The Richland County Fair Committee has ruled that SAWDUST up to a 4" base will be allowed in the Beef, Dairy, Sheep, Goat and Swine Barns.
- Woods shavings or shredded paper will be allowed but NO tree bark.
- **Fitting chutes cannot be placed in front of the north entries of the livestock barn.**
- **Vet Check-In Sheet.** You must have the sheets properly filled out when bringing in your animals, along with ID numbers and vet inspection certificate and/or test papers. All vet check-in sheets **MUST** be filled out and given to the Department Superintendent. Those who **DO NOT** have their sheets filled out will not be checked in and will be asked to leave. The vet check is in the barns **at 5 p.m.** Animals must be in place and paperwork filled out completely prior to 5 p.m.

CLASS - BARN-CAGE MANAGEMENT

Regular Judging - County Funded

Premiums: 1st - \$10.00; 2nd - \$8.00; 3rd - \$6.00; 4th - \$4.00

Youth Organizations are required to participate in Beef Barn Management and **MUST SUBMIT** an entry made out in the name of the youth organization at the time Junior entries are due and pay the fee. The prizes will be given out upon the basis of clean, neat, well-kept stalls and exhibit, evidence of good livestock care and management, education, and attitude and behavior of exhibitors. See Barn/Cage Management Scorecard.

Clubs/organizations participating in the beef barn management category will be divided into 2 groups. This division will take place at the fair, after the number of actual beef entries are checked in by the beef superintendents. An average number of beef animals per group to be determined at this time. Groups with numbers at or below the average will be placed in the "small group category

for barn management purposes. Groups with beef numbers above the average will be placed in the "large" group category.

ENTRY

Beef Barn Management

CLASS - BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

Premiums: 1st - \$3.00 2nd - \$2.50; 3rd - \$2.00; 4th - \$1.50

FRIDAY Noon

EXHIBITORS WISHING TO SELL ELIGIBLE ANIMALS IN THE BEEF SALE AT THE COUNTY FAIR MUST ENTER SHOWMANSHIP. EXHIBITORS PARTICIPATING IN SHOWMANSHIP MUST INCLUDE THIS ENTRY WITH THEIR OTHER ENTRIES.

ENTRY (Grades as of January of current year)

Beginner Beef Showmanship – Grades 3-5 as of January 1
Intermediate Beef Showmanship – Grades 6-8 as of January 1
Senior Beef Showmanship – Grades 9-13 as of January 1

BEEF FITTING AND SHOWMANSHIP SCORECARDS

Appearance of animal	40 points
Appearance of exhibitor.....	10 points
Showing animal in the ring.....	50 points
Total.....	100 points

CLASS - BREEDING BEEF

Club Herd - County Funded

Premiums: 1st - \$15.00; 2nd - \$12.00; 3rd - \$9.00; 4th - \$6.00

***Cow-Calf Pair - No premiums, Trophy Only.** This is a non-state aided event. Junior Division and Open Division show together and no exhibitor ticket is required if only entering this class. Any purebred or commercial beef breed cow and calf pair is eligible to be shown in this class. The cow must be shown on halter. Calf must be born on or after January 1 of current fair year.

ENTRY

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
*Any purebred of commercial Cow-Calf pair	No Premium, Award Only			
Club Herd, Group of 3 animals	County Funded Premiums			
Commercial - Cow, 2 years old and over	8.00	7.00	6.00	5.00
Commercial – Junior Heifer Calf	9.00	8.00	7.00	5.00
Commercial – Junior Yearling Heifer	11.00	9.00	7.00	5.00
Commercial – Senior Heifer Calf	11.00	9.00	7.00	5.00
Commercial – Senior Yearling Heifer	11.00	9.00	7.00	5.00
Commercial – Summer Yearling Heifer	11.00	9.00	7.00	5.00
Registered – Cow-2 years old and over	8.00	7.00	6.00	5.00

Registered – Junior Bull Calf	9.00	8.00	7.00	5.00
Registered – Junior Heifer Calf	9.00	8.00	7.00	5.00
Registered – Junior Yearling Heifer	11.00	9.00	7.00	5.00
Registered - Senior Bull Calf	9.00	8.00	7.00	5.00
Registered - Senior Heifer Calf	11.00	9.00	7.00	5.00
Registered - Senior Yearling Heifer	11.00	9.00	7.00	5.00
Registered - Summer Yearling Heifer	11.00	9.00	7.00	5.00

SUB-ENTRY (For Registered Animals Only)

Angus	Hereford
Any Other Beef Breed	Shorthorn
Chianina	Simmental

CLUB HERD PRIZE - SCORECARD

Excellence of individual animals.....	40 points
Maturity of animals.....	30 points
Fitting and preparation.....	20 points
Showing the herd (includes keeping the animals close together, standing properly). The project leader or one of the members should be the "heeler" that keeps the herd looking its best in the ring.....	10 points
Total.....	100 points

CLASS – CARCASS

Premiums: 1st - \$6.00; 2nd - \$4.00; 3rd - \$4.00; 4th - \$3.00

Exhibitors may enter a market steer shown at the Richland County Fair. Entries limited to one (1) steer per exhibitor. The Carcass Show will be held the Wednesday following the fair. All animals slaughtered by local plant will be displayed.

ENTRY

Beef Carcass

CLASS - MARKET BEEF

Premiums: 1st - \$8.00; 2nd - \$7.00; 3rd - \$6.00; 4th - \$5.00

All steers in market classes must be identified in accordance with the Meat Animal Sale rules located at the beginning of Dept. 102. Dairy Steer division will be steers and dairy crosses of breeds shown at World Dairy Expo, and other breed or breed influence will be considered a beef animal and show under the beef classes. Steers will weigh in on Thursday of the fair with time to be posted in the barns Wednesday night.

TOTAL OF 2 STEERS PER EXHIBITOR. If the exhibitor has two animals fall into the same weight class, the exhibitor has the option of leaving the animals in the same class or moving the heavier one into the heavier weigh class. If the animals stay in the same class, the exhibitor will receive only one premium. The higher of the two ribbons will be paid to the exhibitor. However, if the two animals are already in the heaviest weight class and neither can be moved upward, then the exhibitor will be allowed to receive two premiums.

Junior Beef Superintendents and two members of the Richland County Beef Producers will set market classes for the steer show. These class breaks will be completed 2 hours after the last steer is weighed.

Junior Beef Superintendents and two board members from the Richland County Beef Producers will make up the sale order for the steer sales. This order will be completed 3 hours after the completion of the junior show.

1. **Beef Steer Weight Division** (Beef breed and dairy-beef crossbred steers). (For each steer you plan to exhibit, you must have a separate entry using the Beef Steer entry each time.)
2. **No-Fit Steer Weight Division Class** - Same as the Beef Steer Weight Division. (For each steer you plan to exhibit, you must have a separate entry using the Beef Steer entry each time.) Exhibitors must designate if they will be in the Fit or No -Fit Class when the animal is weighed in at the Fair. The **one exception for No-Fit** is there will be fitting restrictions as follows: all animals will be cleaned and presented in a natural manner. Hair will be no longer than a half inch, must lay natural. The use of sprays, adhesives, or other products to enhance the appearance of the animal is also prohibited.
3. **Dairy Steer Weight Division Class** - Dairy steers will be of dairy breeds shown at World Dairy Expo. All other breed or breed influence will be considered a beef animal and show under the beef classes. If the superintendent or judge question the breeding of the steer, the steer will be placed in the breed steer classes, unless the exhibitor can prove the steer is of the approved breeds through registration paperwork or blood test. (For each steer you plan to exhibit, you must have a separate entry using the Dairy Steer entry each time.)

ENTRY

Market Steer Class - Beef Steer
Market Steer Class - Dairy Steer

CLASS - RATE OF GAIN

Premiums: funds privately donated, not state funded

The rate of gain per days on feed will be calculated for each steer entered in the class. The rate of gain class will be placed solely on the animals' calculated rate of gain. The Top Rate of Gain Steer will be awarded at the fair, just prior to the selection of the Grand and Reserve Champion steers. The winner of the rate of gain will be called into the show ring and presented their ribbons and/or trophy/award.

ENTRY

Beef Rate of Gain

DIVISION J - JUNIOR Department 103 - Swine

Superintendents - Earl Wallace, Isaac Wallace, Linda Brown
**ALL ANIMALS MUST HAVE AN
ACCEPTED I.D. NUMBER
(840 Tag Required)**

- Please see Animal Health Rules and Regulations in the front of the book. Breeding stock and non-breeding stock are eligible to be exhibited. See **Division O, Department 3 for Age Classifications**.
- ALL swine must have an RFID tag. Tags can be purchased at the Extension Office.
- Pigs should be washed before coming to the fair.
- Swine must have a **PRRS and PEDv test within 90 days of exhibition**.
- No positive test or herd plan will be accepted.
- **Vet Check-In Sheet**. You must have the sheets properly filled out when bringing in your animals, along with ID numbers and vet inspection certificate and/or test papers. All vet check-in sheets **MUST** be filled out and given to the Department Superintendent. Those who **DO NOT** have their sheets filled out will not be checked in and will be asked to leave. The vet check is in the barns **at 5 p.m.** Animals must be in place and paperwork filled out completely prior to 5 p.m.
- **Swine Show will start at 8 a.m. on the Friday of the fair.**
- **This will NOT be a terminal show.**
- **LIMIT:** One exhibit per entry.

CLASS - BARN-CAGE MANAGEMENT

Regular Judging - County Funded Premiums

Premiums: 1st - \$5.00; 2nd - \$4.00; 3rd - \$3.00; 4th - \$2.00

ENTRY

Swine Barn Management

CLASS - BREEDING SWINE

Premiums: 1st - \$6.00; 2nd - \$5.00; 3rd - \$4.00; 4th - \$3.00

JUNIOR YEARLING SOW - born between January 1 - June 30 of year preceding exhibit year.

SENIOR SOW - born between July 1-December 31 of year preceding exhibit year.

SENIOR SPRING GILT - born between January 1 thru February of exhibit year. A local fair may subdivide this entry class into January-born and February- born sows or boars.

JUNIOR SPRING GILT - born during the month of March of exhibit year.

ENTRY

Crossbred - Commercial (Non-Registered)
Purebred (Registered)

SUB-ENTRY

Junior Spring Gilt - March
Junior Yearling Sow
Senior Sow
Senior Spring Gilt - February
Senior Spring Gilt - January