

## **\*\* Show Rules \*\***

1. Mail entries by May 2, 2017. Animals must be in place by 7:00 pm on Friday June 2nd.
2. Entry fees will be \$10.00 per head when mailed in with entries by May 2nd. Advance registration includes a free t-shirt. Specify size on Entry Form. Late entries will be \$12.00 per head if postmarked after May 2, 2017.
3. All animals must be shown by a junior exhibitor. The exhibitor must be present and exhibit his/her own animal unless two animals are presented in the same class.
4. No more than 2 animals per class per exhibitor can be entered.
5. Fitting of animals shall be done by exhibitors, family members, 4-H or FFA Leaders, Extension Personnel or FFA Advisors in the exhibitor's home state.
6. The show is open to the following dairy breeds: Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Holstein, Jersey, Guernsey, Red and White, and Milking Shorthorns. If animal does not meet National Breed Standards they will be placed in the Commercial Heifer show in appropriate class available. Commercial classes available are 1-7. Best Bred & Owned class will require registration papers at ringside.
7. Animals must be owned by the exhibitor. Joint ownership is allowed between youth siblings of immediate family (ie. sister, brother, step-sister, step-brother). Adult – Junior and family farm partnerships are not acceptable. The individual designated as showing the animal must be declared at check-in. Registration papers, (or if registration papers are pending, a certificate from your breed association), must be presented verifying the birth date and owner of each animal.
8. Health papers and identification must be checked before the animals are unloaded on the fairgrounds.
9. Health Requirements will be strictly enforced.
10. Entries will not be allowed in classes after books are closed on Saturday.
11. The superintendents will have the right to reject any exhibit, deemed unworthy.
12. Exhibitors must be ages 9 – 19 and be a bona fide 4-H or FFA member, in good standing, from the states of AR, OK, MO and/or KS. (Exception; exhibitor ages 5-8 are allowed to enter two animals in any class).
13. Cloverbud Showmanship contestants are ages 5-8. Peewee Showmanship are ages 4 and under. Peeweewees will show only in showmanship.
14. All property of every character entered for competition or display or for any other purpose, or being anywhere on the fairgrounds shall be subjected to the control of superintendents in charge, but in no case shall Benton County Dairy Industry Assoc. or any officers or member be held responsible for loss, damage, injury, or any character for such property while the same is on the fairgrounds, or at any other time or place.
15. No claim for injury to any person or property shall be asserted, no suit instituted or maintained against the Benton County Dairy Industry Assoc., its officers or their agents, on behalf of any person, firm or corporation, representatives, or employees having license of privilege to exhibit at the Four State Invitational Dairy Days.
16. Animals must be controlled at all times in the show ring. Any animal uncontrollable by a junior exhibitor, and deemed unsafe by the Dairy Days executive committee, can be removed from the judges consideration by the executive committee.
17. Any disputes or protesting of a rule shall be taken care of by the Dairy Days executive committee, with all decisions being final.
18. Exhibitors should bring their own feed. All animals will be bedded on kiln dried shavings provided by 4-State Dairy Days. No straw will be allowed.
19. ***Fitting and Showmanship:*** Exhibitors must use their own animal in showmanship class. Animal must be properly clipped, cleaned, and fit to show. Exhibitor should wear no rubber work boots, but should wear clean clothes; white shirt and a pair of white, black, or blue jeans or pants.
20. ***Commercial Dairy Heifers*** – Exhibitors are limited to one entry in each class. All breeds or cross breeds will be competing together. Animals must exhibit dairy characteristics.