

2011 JNHE RULES AND REGULATIONS

2011 JUNIOR NATIONAL HEREFORD EXPO - RULES AND REGULATIONS

- If you have not received your registration papers from AHA at least **one week prior** to June 1st, then please call the AHA records department immediately to check on your registrations or transfers. **“Pending” will not be accepted online in the registration column or on the JNHE entry form. YOU MUST have a registration number before completing online entry or mailing your entry to AHA. Please attach a copy of your registration paper for accuracy in processing your entries.**
- Please fill out entry forms completely and accurately and send to AHA with appropriate fees postmarked either by the EARLY Bird Deadline of May 2 or by the final deadline of June 1, 2011. Don't forget that June 1st is also the ownership deadline. NEW THIS YEAR.....PAPER Entries will ONLY be accepted for the early bird entry deadline. All entries done after May 2nd will need to be done ONLINE. **(NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE.)**
- All steers will need a steer certificate and certificate number PRIOR to entry, steer forms are available at www.jrhereford.org.
- Please be sure to indicate whether your heifer(s) will show in the owned show, the bred-and-owned show, or both. Heifers exhibited in both shows will require (two) entry fees and (one) bedding fee. Also, remember to indicate if your heifer or bull qualifies for the Junior AI show (to qualify for the Junior AI Class, stated animal entered must be a result of semen received through the AHA Junior AI Program.)
- Entry and order forms are in the spring *Advantage* newsletter. Please complete the t-shirt, meal ticket and event order form at the same time you complete the entry and showmanship form (one free shirt to each exhibitor; additional shirts are \$12) please mark the correct shirt size for each shirt ordered. The order form is due May 2nd. You will be able to order meal tickets, extra t-shirts, and showmanship only entries via the online system til June 1st.
- Electronic ear (EID) tags **WILL BE REQUIRED** in all Junior National Hereford Expo entries. If your cattle have not previously been to a national show and do not have EID tags, we encourage you to tag animals prior to arrival in Kansas City. Tags may be ordered at the time of online entry or an order form may be printed off at www.jrhereford.org.
- Due to American Royal Regulations **NO DOGS** will be allowed in the show ring or cattle barns.
- Any animal a junior enters may be used in the team-fitting competition and/or be asked to be used in the judging contest.
- When entering contests be sure to use your age as of January 1 of the current year.

STALLING POLICY FOR 2011 JNHE:

- Cattle will not be allowed on the grounds until Saturday, July 9. You will be allowed to begin stall set-up on Saturday, July 9, however **NO CATTLE** will be allowed in the barns until Sunday, July 10. You will be stalled by state in the barn and advisors are in-charge of stalling assignments within each state. **We ask that exhibitors do not set up stalls prior to your state advisor assigning the stall space. The state advisors will have final say in stalling for each state, so we ask that everyone cooperate with this new stalling process in order to get the week off to a good start.**
- **ALL CATTLE EXHIBITING AT THE JNHE MUST BE STALLED WITH THE STATE THE JUNIOR EXHIBITOR IS FROM.**

1. Exhibitor must be seven years old and not 22 years old by January 1, 2011, and a member of the National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA). Dues are \$15 and must be paid prior to entry.
2. All animals must be registered with the American Hereford Association (AHA).
3. Each entry, except in the bred-and-owned bull show must be owned solely by the junior exhibitor(s) and in his/her recorded ownership before **June 1, 2011**. Siblings may jointly own animals, provided both are members of the NJHA and meet NJHA age requirements. No animal is eligible to compete if recorded in joint ownership (other than the sibling rule and bred-and-owned bull rule), and no joint ownership with farm name or family name.
4. Horned or de-horned animals are eligible for the horned owned breeding show; polled cattle or cattle with scurs are eligible for the polled owned breeding show. Horned and polled cow-calf pairs, steers, bred-and-owned bulls and bred-and-owned heifers will show together in their respective shows. Scurs, if present, must be loose and not firmly attached to the head; they must not be removed or tampered with.
5. **EARLY BIRD ENTRY FEES ARE \$40 PER ENTRY if postmarked by May 2, 2011.** ONLINE ENTRIES processed by June 1, 2011 are \$60 per head. A one time bedding fee per entry is \$40 and this includes bedding for tie-outs. Mail entries to the Department of Youth Activities, American Hereford Association, P.O. Box 014059, Kansas City, MO 64101.

6. **Final Entry and Ownership Deadline is June 1, 2011.** All animals must be registered and transferred **prior** to the June 1, 2011 entry and ownership deadline date. No late transfers or entries will be accepted. **Entries with "pending" listed, as the registration number will not be accepted and entry will be refused.** Entry fees are non-refundable.
7. All entries must be in place in the barn and processed by 5 p.m, Sunday July 10th.
8. Original registration certificate must be presented at check-in. All animals will have tattoos checked. Tattoos that are missing, illegible, altered, incorrect and/or in any other way disagree with the official AHA records will be justifiable cause for disqualification of entry. **Check tattoos well before leaving for the JNHE.**
9. Entries must meet Missouri health regulations. All animals must have an official health certificate. Refer to Missouri health requirements at www.jrhereford.org.
10. Exhibitor must show his/her own animals unless excused in writing by the AHA Youth Director. Only exhibitors who are in attendance at the JNHE and are physically unable to show the animals due to illness or injury will be excused. Owner may secure another junior member to show his/her animals if excused or if exhibitor has more than one entry in the same class. It is recommended that if you have more than one animal being shown in a class you utilize a fellow junior from your own state to assist. No adult or fellow junior may assist exhibitor in showing.
11. Exhibitor must wear official show shirt in both showmanship and in the entire cattle show along with entry numbers on chest and back. Additional show shirts can be purchased for \$12. (*See enclosed order form*)
12. Exhibitor must follow AHA fitting rules as stated in the official "Rules, Regulations and Bylaws" of the American Hereford Association.
13. State herdsman (neatness, decoration, workmanship and cooperation) will be judged.
15. If all requirements aren't met, the NJHA Board and Youth Director reserve the right to disqualify any entry.
16. All persons making entries in the show shall agree to abide by all the rules and regulations as outlined and will not hold the American Hereford Association or the 2011 Junior National Hereford Expo organizers responsible for accident, loss or injury to any person, animal or article.
17. **No farm signs may be displayed at the stalls.** Family signs may be displayed if junior exhibitor(s) names are included.
18. There will be four showmanship divisions: peewee, junior, intermediate and senior. All contestants must pre-enter by June 1, 2011. There will be no entries accepted at the show. The entry fee is \$5.
19. Calves at the side of cow-calf pairs my show in separate heifer or bull shows, however additional entry fees will apply.
20. Breeding cattle will not be weighed or measured.
21. Spring 2011 EPD's will be used. EPDs for breeding cattle will be provided to the judge for him to use at his discretion (**junior members will only have EPDs if they are compliant with Whole Herd TPR or purchased an animal from a Whole Herd TPR breeder**) (If you feel that you are not compliant with Whole Herd TPR, please call the AHA records department immediately).
22. Steers will be weighed at processing. This data will be used when breaking classes and will be provided to the judge.
23. **NOTE: A steer sifting committee will be present; decisions made by the steer sifting committee will be final.**
24. A carcass evaluation competition will be held in conjunction with the steer show, with carcass information gathered on live steers through ultrasound. This will also occur during steer processing.
25. Horned and polled owned heifers will be shown separately, alternating at the divisions. Horned and polled bred-and-owned heifers will show together in one show, with one grand champion bred-and-owned heifer. Bred-and-owned heifers may also enter the owned show, but must indicate this on the entry form and must pay an additional entry fee.

Heifer Rules

1. Heifer classes will include:
 - Spring Calf – calved on or after 3/1/11
 - Junior Calf – calved 1/1/11 to 2/28/11
 - Winter Calf – calved 11/1/10 to 12/31/10
 - Senior Calf – calved 9/1/10 to 10/31/10
 - Late Summer Yearling – calved 7/1/10 to 8/31/10
 - Early Summer Yearling – calved 5/1/10 to 6/30/10
 - Spring Yearling – calved 3/1/10 to 4/30/10
 - Junior Yearling – calved 1/1/10 to 2/28/10
 - Senior Yearling – calved 9/1/09 to 12/31/09
2. If the number of entries warrant, classes will be divided.
3. Division breaks will be decided after all entries are processed.

Special Cow-Calf Rules

1. Cows born prior to Sept. 1, 2009. No maximum age for cows. **Calf must be her natural calf, no more than 270 days in age as of the day of the show. Born on or after October 18, 2010.** There will be a bred-and-owned cow-calf class and standard cow-calf classes. Winners of the bred-and-owned and standard classes will compete for champion pair.

2. Polled and horned pairs will be combined in one cow-calf show.
3. Bred-and-owned cow-calf class - Exhibitor must be the breeder and owner of both the cow and calf. The same cow-calf pair may not show in both the bred-and-owned and standard cow-calf classes.
4. Standard cow-calf classes - Exhibitor must be the breeder of the calf, and must have been the recorded owner of the cow since June 1, 2011.
5. Bull and heifer calves on cow-calf pairs are eligible to show in individual classes. They must be entered individually and pay the additional entry fee. The bred-and-owned bull show ownership rules apply to bull calves in the cow-calf show.
6. The champion and reserve champion bred and owned cow-calf pair and the champion and reserve standard cow-calf pair will show for the overall champion cow-calf pair.

Bred-and-Owned Show Rules

1. To be eligible for the bred-and-owned show, the exhibitor(s) must have owned the entry's dam at the time of conception and must be listed as the breeder on the registration certificate.
2. Bred-and-owned heifers calved after September 1, 2009 are eligible.
3. Bred-and-owned heifers may also show in the owned show. An additional entry fee will be charged.
4. Horned and polled bred-and-owned heifers will show together.
5. Bred-and-owned bulls calved after September 1, 2009 are eligible. There will not be a class for 2 year old bulls.
6. Horned and polled bulls will show together.
7. Bred-and-owned bulls must have been bred by the junior member/exhibitor, but may be owned jointly with an adult/farm, provided that the junior/exhibitor is the sole breeder, and is officially recorded as a current owner of that bull.
8. All bulls calved before January 1, 2011, must be shown with a nose lead.

Steer Rules

1. Entries are open to Hereford steers sired by a registered Hereford bull and whose dam is either a registered Hereford cow or is a purebred "non-registered" Hereford cow. Steers do not need to be registered but a steer certificate is required prior to entry of the steer.
2. Steer classes will be divided by weight. Classes will be determined after check-in. **There will be a prospect steer show and the weight cut off for prospect steers is 950 lb.**
3. Steers must show characteristics typical of straight-bred Hereford cattle. All steers will be subject to inspection by a steer sifting committee and are required to meet minimum standards for type, quality and conformation. **NOTE: Decisions made by the steer sifting committee will be FINAL, regardless of recorded or implied information.**

Ultrasound Carcass Steer Rules

1. All steers are automatically entered in the carcass evaluation without further entry fee.
2. Carcass information will be gathered on live steers during processing through the use of ultrasound technology. Steers will first compete in the visual show, with champions selected. Following the visual steer show, the top 10 steers in the carcass evaluation will be ranked and champions will be named.

Special Classes

1. **Junior A.I.** – Classes of females and bulls resulting from the AHA Junior AI Program will be held in conjunction with the show. An entry fee is not required to exhibit in this class, but entries must be indicated on the entry form. All Junior AI entries will show in one class of heifers and one class of bulls
2. **State Group of Five** – Five animals from one state, owned by three or more exhibitors and representing not more than two animals per exhibitor. Any combination of steers, heifers or bulls is acceptable. There may be only one group per state.
3. **Breeder Group of Three** – Three animals bred by the same junior or adult breeder as designated on the registration paper. No steer certificates are allowed.
4. **Female Get-of-Sire** – Four females sired by one bull regardless of owner.
5. **Premier Adult and Junior Breeder** - Award points are computed from winnings in breeding animal classes: 5 points for 1st place, 4 points for 2nd, 3 points for 3rd, 2 points for 4th, and 1 point for 5th place. Points are given only for individual classes; no points for champions or groups. The Senior Premier Breeder Award is given to the adult or farm with the top point total. The Junior Premier Breeder Award is given to the junior member with the top point total, regardless to the number exhibited. Computed the same as the National Hereford Open Shows.
Premier Exhibitor - Award points are computed from winnings in breeding animal classes: 5 points for first place, 4 points for second, 3 points for third, 2 points for fourth, and 1 point for fifth place. Points are given only for individual classes; no points for champions or groups. The Premier Exhibitor Award is given to the junior with the top point total, regardless of the number exhibited. Computed the same as the National Hereford Shows.

