



Superintendent: Steve Sterkel

**Department - 4-H Beef**

Entries: **Online Only** - <http://adco.fairentry.com>

Deadline: June 30, 2017      Entry Fee: \$3.00 Per Entry

**Arrival:** Health Inspections will be available:

Tuesday, August 1, 5:30-8PM

Wednesday, August 2, 7-10 am

All cattle must be in place by 10am Wednesday August 2.

**Weigh-In:** Thursday, August 3, from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

**Judging:** Friday, August 4, Catch-a-Calf 8:30am; 4-H Market, Showmanship, Breeding

**Open Mini's (Age 5-7) Bucket Calf Class** - See Department Open Minis

**Departure:** Sunday, August 6, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. Sale animals must get papers from Superintendent before release. ALL animals must be released by Superintendent.

**Premium Scale:**

**1st - \$10.00 | 2nd - \$8.00 | 3rd - \$6.00 | 4th - \$4.00 | 5th - \$2.00**

**Market Beef Project members who intend to exhibit their animals at the Adams County Fair must complete the following to remain eligible for fair entry and exhibition:**

1. Enroll in the Beef Project by enrollment deadline.
2. Attend Meat Quality Assurance Training (MQA) annually.
3. Complete and file an Animal Care and Housing Form (Primary Care) on 4HOnline (leased animals and animals not housed at home must turn form into Extension Office)
4. Tag all market beef at mandatory County Tag-in day.
5. ID all beef animals in 4HOnline by June 1 deadline.
6. Attend Livestock Record Book Interviews and present an up-to-date E-Record Book.
7. Enter fair classes online by entry deadline.
8. Complete and turn in E-Record Book the Friday following Labor Day to the Extension Office.

**Additional Fair-related rules are listed below as well as under each Division/Class:**

**RULES: (also see Livestock, Equine & Small Animal Rules)**

1. Barn closes at 10:00 p.m. each night and reopens at 5:45 a.m.
2. Market beef must have been tagged and retinal scanned at the Beef Tag-in on the first Saturday in March. Market Beef must be owned by member by tag-in day.
3. There will be no re-weighs once the animal has crossed the scale. If questions arise about the animal's weight, that animal will be backed off the scale, the scale checked and balanced, and the animal re-weighed immediately. The animal in question CANNOT leave the scale area until the scale dispute is settled.
4. Market Beef will be identified by tags, brands, physical description, and retinal scan. At Extension Agents discretion, market beef with physical descriptions, retinal scans, tags, or brands that do not match will be disqualified.
5. Market Beef must weigh a minimum of 1,000lbs. to enter market classes. Animals weighing less than 1,000 lbs. will be entered in the Feeder Class and will not be eligible for the Sale or Champion.
6. Superintendent will break down classes, with final approval from the Extension Agent. The Superintendent reserves the right to combine or cancel classes or breeds in which less than three (3) are entered, also to add a new breed class where there are three (3) or more entries to warrant the addition.
7. Market Beef must be less than 2 years of age.
8. Breeding beef shall be owned and managed by the 4-H member, see ownership requirements in the 4-H Livestock, Horse, Small Animal rules.
9. Heifers can only show in Breeding OR Market - NOT BOTH.
10. 4-H exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their own animals while at the Adams County Fair. 4-H exhibitors may seek help from other Adams County 4-H exhibitors. Adults may only assist 4-H members who are learning and need help. Exhibitors are to do the majority of show preparation. Professional fitters are not permitted. (See also 4-H Livestock Rules.) Questions which may arise due to fitting must be relayed to the Beef Superintendent and/or Extension Staff.
11. No paint above hock. Animal color must not be changed. Superintendent/ Extension Agent reserves the right to wipe market animals with a white cloth above hock to check for coloring when entering ring.



**LIVESTOCK RECORD BOOKS**

**No Entry Fees**

(See Livestock, Horse, and Small Animal Rules for more details)

1. Members must complete and turn in (by deadline) a record book for each species in which they exhibit at Fair. If a record book is not completed for each species exhibited, the member will forfeit premiums and be ineligible to exhibit that species at the next year's Fair.
2. Beef members complete Livestock E-Record and any necessary supplements.

**DIVISION: RECORD BOOKS**

**CLASS:**

1. Beef Record Book – Junior 8-10 years
2. Beef Record Book – Intermediate 11-13 years
3. Beef Record Book – Senior 14-18 years

AWARDS: 1st Prize - \$7.00 | 2nd Prize - \$5.00 | 3rd Prize - \$3.00 | 4th Prize - \$2.00 | 5th Prize - \$1.00

**4-H MARKET BEEF SHOW**

**Friday, August 4, 2017**

**Time: 9:30 am**

Each exhibitor will be given a sale declaration card. This card designates which animal they would like to send to the Jr. Livestock Sale. This card must be submitted to the Extension office no later than 6:30PM the day before the Sale (Friday). Late submissions will not be accepted.

**DIVISION: MARKET BEEF**

**CLASS:**

1. Feeder Class - For Market animal weighing less than 1,000lbs. Not eligible for Livestock Sale or Champion.
2. Market Steer - Must weigh at least 1,000 lbs.
3. Market Heifer - Must have three (3) entries. Superintendent may combine with steer classes if necessary.

**AWARDS:**

- Champion Producer - Award
- Grand Champion Junior Market Beef - Platinum Award
- Res. Grand Champion Junior Market Beef- Platinum Award

**DIVISION: GROUP OF THREE (No Entry Fee)**

**CLASS 1. Three (3) market beef owned and shown by exhibitors from one (1) club.**

**AWARDS:**

- Champion Group of Three - Bronze Award
- Reserve Champion Group of Three - Bronze Award

**RATE OF GAIN**

**The placing will be based on the weight gained between the spring weigh-in and the fair weigh-in.**

**No Entry Fee**

**DIVISION: RATE OF GAIN**

**CLASS:**

1. Rate of Gain Contest

AWARDS: First Place - \$30.00 | Second Place - \$20.00 | Third Place - \$10.00 |



**BEEF CARCASS CONTEST**

(Following the Fair)

Maximum two (2) entries per exhibitor

Entry Fee: \$5.00 Per Animal

- To enter the Junior Beef Carcass Contest the animal has to be a 4-H project animal. The steer must go to buy back or a local packinghouse, if it goes through the sale.
- Animals entered in this class must have been identified at the spring weigh-in and exhibited at the county fair.

**DIVISION: BEEF CARCASS CLASS**

**CLASS:**

1. Beef Carcass Class

AWARDS: First Place - \$75.00 | Second Place - \$50.00 | Third Place - \$25.00 |

**BEEF SHOWMANSHIP**

(First Senior - Junior)

Exhibitor must show their own animal in Showmanship

Friday, August 4, 2017, following Market

**DIVISION: BEEF SHOWMANSHIP (Adams County 4-H Members Only)**

**CLASS:**

1. Senior Beef Showmanship Contest. (14 years and older)
2. Intermediate Beef Showmanship Contest. (11-13 years )
3. Junior Beef Showmanship Contest. (8-10 years)

**4-H BREEDING BEEF**

Following Showmanship

**DIVISION: ALL BREEDS**

**CLASS:**

1. Junior Heifer Calf - (Born 1/1/17 to 5/31/17)
2. Senior Heifer Calf - (Born 7/1/16 to 12/31/16)
3. Junior Yearling Heifer - (Born 1/1/16 to 6/30/16)
4. Senior Yearling Heifer - (Born 9/1/15 - 12/31/15)
5. Junior Bull Calf - (Born 1/1/17 to 5/31/17)
6. Senior Bull Calf - (Born 7/1/16 to 12/31/16)
7. Junior Yearling Bull - (Born 1/1/16 to 6/30/16)
8. Cow-Calf Pair

**AWARDS:**

- Champion and Reserve Bull & Heifer - English & Other; Rosette
- Champion and Reserve Cow-Calf Pair English & Other- Rosette
- Res. Champ. Cow-Calf Pair English & Other- Rosette
- Grand Champion Heifer - Platinum Award
- Reserve Grand Champion Heifer - Platinum Award



**4-H BEEF PRODUCER CLASS**  
**Friday, August 4, 2017**

**DIVISION: PRODUCER CLASS**

**CLASS:**

**1. Producer Beef Animal – Bred and Owned by Exhibitor,**

**RULES:**

1. Extension Agent or their designee must visit the premise where the producer animal is housed prior to weaning and before spring tag-in. No producer animals may be nominated after the market tag-in date for the particular species.
2. The Extension Office shall keep a record of all visits made to premises and identified animals; only exhibitors and animals following this process will be allowed entry into this class.
3. Exhibitors may nominate up to three animals but show only one.
4. Animals nominated for producer may be market or breeding and must be entered in another regularly scheduled class for the department.
5. All producer nominated animals, must have identifying tags or tattoo's in order to verify identity. The Extension office can provide tags if needed during the premise visit.
6. Producer animals need not attend market tag-in's. It only must if the animal is also a market animal and must be tagged and identified for the market classes.

**SCORING:**

This DIVISION is scored and placed based upon three different criteria. All criteria must be met and entered by all stated deadlines in order to be eligible for placing.

1. Enter and show identified Producer beef animals in the producer class. Class is placed from top to bottom.
2. Interview – Each exhibitor must have a personal interview with the cattle Judge. The judge will give the exhibitors a score between 0-20. The score numbers will correspond to the number of points the members earns on their interview.
3. Record Book - Complete and Enter Project Record Book by stated deadline. Members planning to exhibit in the producer class must submit a record for the species in which they're entered in order to be eligible (this is in addition to the requirement as stated for sale animals). Members will earn points based on their score on the dutch scoring scale. They can also earn 'bonus' points for placing in the top five of their age and species division, scored on the American system of judging.

Points are distributed as follows:

**RECORD BOOK POINTS:**

Score	Points	Placing	Points
Blue	5	1	5
Red	3	2	4
White	1	3	3
		4	2
		5	1

**LIVE PLACING POINTS:**

Placing	Points
1	10
2	9
3	8
4	7
5	6
6	5
7	4
8	3
9	2
10	1
11 + Below0	

**NWSS CATCH-A-CALF**  
**Friday, August 4, 2017**  
**Time: 8:30 am**

1. **Enter via Google Document located on ADCO website.**
  - This division will not be eligible for Grand Champion Market Beef and will not be eligible for the sale.
  - Must weigh in Thursday, during scheduled weigh-in time.



PREMIER BEEF EXHIBITOR CONTEST
\*NO ENTRY FEE\*

DIVISION: PREMIER BEEF EXHIBITOR

CLASS: 1. Premier Exhibitor

Rules:

- 1. The purpose of this contest is to recognize exhibitors that excel in the areas of care, knowledge, and presentation of their projects.
2. The contest will have the following divisions: Beef, Goat, Sheep, Swine, Poultry and Rabbits.
3. Exhibitors may have breeding or market projects or both. All ages will compete together within each species area. Exhibitors are allowed to enter the Premier Exhibitor Contest in as many species as they are enrolled in. One winner per species will be awarded.
4. Exhibitors must pre-enter this contest along with their regular fair entries.
5. All entrants will identify themselves by placing a Premier Exhibitor ID on your stalls/cages.
6. The Contest will be judged on the following Criteria:

a. Herdsmanship - 30 points possible

There are five major judging criteria that you will be judged on for herdsmanhip. Identification of animals (stall cards), care and maintenance of animals and are while at fair (do they always have water?), stall cleanliness, stall decorations, and educational information (poster or other item). You must have your Premier Exhibitor ID on your stall sign to be judged and earn points for these criteria.

b. Knowledge Test - 30 points possible

Exhibitors will be required to take a 30 question, multiple choice test, designed to evaluate knowledge of their project in areas such as: health, feeding, breeding, selection, handling, carcass, and industry related issues. All questions will be taken from the recognized 4-H project manuals.

All entrants must take their specific species knowledge test at the time specified. Tests will be given at Record Book Interviews. This is the ONLY opportunity for participants to complete this test.

c. Showmanship - 30 points possible

Points given for showmanship placing will be broken down according to the following point chart.

d. Carcass Class - 20 points possible

Points given for carcass class placing will be broken down according to the following point chart. Rabbit and Poultry Exhibitors are not awarded points for this criteria.

e. Class Placing - 10 points possible

Each exhibitor will receive points for his/her highest placing animal. Only one animal per exhibitor (market or breeding) will be used for class placing points. Points will be broken down according to the following point chart.

f. Number of Animals Exhibited - 6 points possible

Exhibitors will receive one point for each market animal they exhibit (up to 3 points). Exhibitors will receive one point for each breeding animal they exhibit (up to 3 points)

g. Record Book - 10 points possible

Points will be awarded on the following sliding scale found in the following chart:

h. Bonus Points - 5 points possible

Exhibitors will receive 5 bonus points for exhibiting animals in both the market class and producer class division.

i. Tie Breaker

Exhibitors will fill out a short essay answer at the end of their test. This essay will be used in the event of a tie to determine a winner.

7. Points will be awarded for placing within each class based on the exhibitor's actual placing within the class regardless if all exhibitors in the class are participating in the Premier Exhibitor class.

Table with 9 columns: Knowledge Test (Score, Points), Showmanship (Score, Points), Carcass Class (Score, Points), Class Placing (Score, Points), Record Book (Score, Points), and Points. Rows show placement from 1st to ≤16th and corresponding scores and points.

AWARD: \$125 Cash Award
Winners will be announced at the October Achievement Banquet.