

NORTH CAROLINA STATE FAIR
JUNIOR MARKET STEER SHOW NOMINATION

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**Be sure to read the Health Regulations in the N.C. State Fair
premium book, due out in July.**

Below are the Rules and Regulations for the 2009 Jr. Market Steer Show at the N.C. State Fair.

DEADLINE to tag STEERS is May 16th

**JUNIOR MARKET STEER
AND CARCASS SHOW
RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. Open to North Carolina residents 18 years of age and younger as of January 1, 2009. Exhibitors are allowed to enter at tagging 4 steers – an exhibitor may show a maximum of 2 of these steers at the NC State Fair. No additional entries will be allowed. Each steer must be listed individually and designated if the steer is eligible to be shown in the NC 1 competition. **Steers must be checked by NCDA&CS representatives at designated checkpoints during the month of May 2009.** Steers will have hair samples taken for DNA analysis and may be identified by ear tag, tattoo, microchip, or nose print. The initial identification will be done at NCDA&CS expense; however, the owner will be responsible for expenses in reinstalling and lab verifying the animal. Steers **not checked** at designated points in May **will not be eligible** to show. All officially tagged steers are automatically entered in the 2009 NC State Fair (an entry form by September 15 **will not be required**). The checkpoints are:

May 4 – Macon County Fairgrounds	3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Kenneth McCaskill (828) 349-2046	
May 5 – Fletcher-WNC Ag Center, Davis Arena	3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Matt Buchanan (828) 687-1414	
May 6 – Mt. Pleasant-2.1 mi. N Hwy 49 Pasture Mgmt.	3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
David Hill (800) 230-0024	
May 9 – Winston-Salem-Dixie Classic Fairgrounds	9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Amy Thomas (336) 703-2850	
May 11 – Elizabeth City-Leon Brickhouse farm	3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Travis Burke (252) 338-3954 call for directions	
May 12 – Rocky Mount-East Carolina Ag & Ed Center	3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Ralph Blalock (252) 641-7815	
May 13 – Clinton-Sampson Co. Livestock Arena	3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Paul Gonzales (910) 592-7161	
May 16 – Raleigh-State Fairgrounds	9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Ben Carpenter (919) 795-9470	

**Please bring completed Steer Nomination form with farm premise ID and
signed Code of Ethics form to tagging checkpoint.**

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2. Steers must be in possession of exhibitor by May 16, 2009. Steers may be shown in county or district shows within the State of North Carolina prior to being shown at the N.C. State Fair. Any exhibitor may exhibit out-of-state upon written approval by the superintendent and only when the steer is exhibited in the North Carolina resident's name. Otherwise, all steers must be fed in North Carolina from May 16, 2009 to October 15, 2009 by the exhibitor.
3. If a junior has more than one steer in a class, the other steer must be shown by a junior (must be a resident of North Carolina) approved by the show superintendent.
4. **NEW RULE:** Each entry must weigh between 1,000 lbs. to 1,400 lbs., and one reweigh will be allowed during check in hours. **Calves will be weighed immediately after leaving the show ring,** and will be allowed for 4% of weigh in weight. Any calves that do not go directly to the scales will forfeit premiums. Any calves that fall outside the 4% will forfeit premiums. Calves will still go on the truck, and will not compete in the carcass contest.
5. CHECK-IN PROCESS – STALL ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE MADE STARTING AT 9:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2009 OR AS SOON AS THE BARN IS READY. ANIMALS WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE BARN UPON PRESENTATION OF AN APPROVAL CARD TO THE SUPERINTENDENT ISSUED AFTER ANIMALS ARE INSPECTED AND PASSED BY HEALTH OFFICIALS. All steers will be checked in between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, October 15, 2009. Steers will be weighed and may be mouthed, ear-tagged, bled, urine sampled, or nose printed during check-in at the west side of the Graham Building. Steers may have two permanent teeth, all other teeth must be baby teeth and in place.
6. Classes will be broken by weight so that a relatively equal number of steers are in each class. Any steer not passing the proper tests (urine sample, blood, nose print) will be disqualified.
7. Steers must be halter broken and dehorned. Unruly animals which may endanger the safety of exhibitors may be asked to leave the ring. Only one exhibitor will be allowed in the show ring. The entered exhibitor must be able to handle the animal or will be asked to leave the show ring.
8. Steer classes will be shown Friday, October 16, 2009 beginning at 9:00 a.m.
9. Steer exhibitors will be allowed to use ALL fitting products.
10. MARKET STEERS WILL REPORT FOR LOADING AT 7:00 A.M. ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2009.

11. Exhibitors will furnish feed for all their animals during the Fair until animals are turned over to the buyers at 7:00 a.m., Sunday, October 18, 2009.

12. Following completion of the show on October 16, and continuing until steers are released on Sunday, October 18, steers must remain in the barn between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. **Champion, Reserve Champion, and NC 1 steers will not be released and will be tied in an area designated** by the livestock department.

13. All exhibitors are automatically entered in the Jr. Beef Showmanship Competition. Refer to the Jr. Beef Showmanship Award section. All exhibitors receiving a Showmanship Pin in this division are eligible to return for the Showmanship Championship. A separate Showmanship Championship will be held for Junior, Intermediate and Senior exhibitors, immediately following the last class in the Jr. Beef Heifer Show. Exhibitors must compete in the Showmanship Championship classes to receive any showmanship premiums.

14. The North Carolina State Fair Management reserves the right to test any and all steers, and to conduct other random testing as deemed appropriate. **Any steer not passing the proper tests will be disqualified and all premiums will be forfeited.**

15. The Superintendent or other NCSF Livestock Show Official reserves the right to inspect the cattle premises at any time between May 16 and October 15, 2009. Any exhibitor/animal found in violation of Rule #2 will be ineligible to compete at the 2009 North Carolina State Fair, and may be subject to an additional probationary period.

16. Any question not covered by these rules will be ruled on by the Superintendent.
EXCEPT AS NOTED, ALL GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE FAIR AND OF THE LIVESTOCK DIVISION WILL APPLY AND GOVERN THIS DEPARTMENT.

JUNIOR MARKET STEER PREMIUMS

Class KC2001 Jr. Market Steers - No more than 10 steers will be shown per class.

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
\$150	\$145	\$140	\$135	\$130	\$125	\$120	\$115	\$110	\$105

**THE GRAND CHAMPION AND RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION JR. MARKET STEER
WILL BE SOLD TO THE DESIGNATED PACKER**

GRAND CHAMPION STEER	Banner/Plate	\$100
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STEER	Banner/Plate	\$50
CHAMPION N.C. 1 STEER	Plate	\$250

Class KC2002 Jr. Market Steer Carcass – All market steers that are sold to the designated packer will automatically be entered into the Market Steer Carcass class. Class placings will be determined by carcass value.

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th
\$750	\$600	\$500	\$400	\$350	\$300	\$250	\$200	\$150	\$100	\$75	\$75	\$50	\$50	\$50

GRAND CHAMPION STEER CARCASS	Banner
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STEER CARCASS	Banner

The exhibitors of Grand and Reserve Champions will be recognized in the 2009 NCSF premium book.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2008 CHAMPIONS

Grand Champion Jr. Market Steer Carcass	Avery Faulkner, LaGrange
Reserve Champion Jr. Market Steer Carcass	Robert Fulton, Sanford

NC 1 JUNIOR MARKET STEER

NC 1 steers must have been bred, born and raised in North Carolina. NC 1 steer designation must be done during steer check in and tagging. NC 1 designation will close at the time the last steer is tagged. All steers eligible for NC 1 must be tagged by NCDA/Aginfo link auditor (other USDA program may be accepted-contact Livestock Director to use other programs) on the farm they are bred and born on before they are sold and leave that farm. Verification may include owner/breeder records, AI service dates, embryo verification, herd record books, DNA samples of sire or dam, and any other verification documents. The livestock director of the NC State Fair will make the final determination of NC 1 steers. At check in a paper by the current owner will be signed stating that the calf was conceived in NC. The highest placing qualified NC 1 steer will be recognized in each class at the Jr. Market Steer Show. These steers will have the opportunity to show for the NC 1 Champion following the selection of Grand and Reserve Jr. Market Steer. However, if the Grand or Reserve Jr. Market Steer is a qualified NC 1 steer, that steer will automatically become NC 1 Champion. The exhibitor of Champion NC 1 Steer will receive a \$250 premium and plate, and will be sold at the "Sale of Champions" on Saturday. The producer of the Champion NC 1 Steer will receive a plaque at the 2010 N.C. Cattlemen's Conference. Further, the producer of the steer, recognized as the owner of the bred female at the time of calving, must be a current member of the N.C. Cattlemen's Association at the time of the 2009 State Fair. Exhibitors and/or producers found misrepresenting the qualifications of a steer in this competition shall be barred from future competition. All rules and health regulations for the Jr. Market Steer Show will apply.

MILEAGE PAYMENTS

The State Fair Management will pay mileage compensation for animals exhibited in the Junior Steer Show as outlined here. Payment will be made for each animal based on the distance (one-way) between the county seat of the county involved and Raleigh. For computing mileage, the official Highway Map issued by the State Dept. of Transportation will be used. Payments will be made on the basis of \$0.40 per mile per animal.

JUNIOR BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

The objective of the Junior Beef Showmanship Award is to provide recognition to youth that have developed proper showmanship skills through work with their livestock projects. These skills will be evaluated separately from the quality of the animal shown while the youth exhibit an animal in the Junior Market Steer and Junior Beef Heifer Shows. The showmanship judge will select the youth solely on their showmanship ability.

Youth are automatically entered into this showmanship competition. Youth must exhibit the animal they entered to be fully eligible for the award. Youth that show for another exhibitor will NOT be eligible.

Recipients of the Showmanship Pin will be recognized at the conclusion of each class. Youth may be recognized in more than one class if circumstances merit the award. Youth to be recognized will NOT be a set number. No minimum or maximum quotas exist. The showmanship judge will simply recognize all youth that are deserving of the Showmanship Pin. **There will be no money paid for receiving a showmanship pin. Exhibitor must compete in the Showmanship Championship to receive any showmanship premiums.**

SHOWMANSHIP CHAMPION

Each exhibitor receiving a Showmanship Pin in the Junior Market Steer Show and/or the Junior Beef Heifer Show is eligible to return for the Showmanship Champion class. A separate Showmanship Championship will be held for Junior (11 years old and younger), Intermediate (12-14), and Senior exhibitors (15-18), immediately following the last class in the Junior Beef Heifer Show. Ages will be considered as of January 1, 2009. The animal taken into the ring for this class must be entered in the respective showman's name.

1 st in each age division	\$100 and Banner
All other exhibitors	\$25

National Premise ID

All livestock except Poultry and Horses will require a National Premise ID prior to showing at the State Fair. No exceptions. For those exhibitors showing multiple species only one Premise ID is needed if on the same farm. The National Premise ID must be included on the Steer Nomination Form presented at the tagging checkpoint.

IAFE
(INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS)
CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics", fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

- 1) All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership, and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
- 2) Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
- 3) Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.
- 4) Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of violative drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of, consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.
If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the laboratory, to which it is sent, is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise.
At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.
- 5) Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
- 6) The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
- 7) Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.
- 8) No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.
- 9) The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.
- 10) The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including *Fairs and Expos* and any special notices to members.
- 11) The act of entering of an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

Bring signed form to tagging checkpoint

EXHIBITOR ENTRY STATEMENT

I have read and understand, and in consideration for being permitted to exhibit at this event, agree and consent to abide by the rules of competition, including the IAFE (International Association of Fairs and Expositions) National Code of Show Ring Ethics as stated in the premium list of this event.

Date: _____
Exhibitor (owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer,
or absolutely responsible person)

Date: _____
Guardian or Parent of the above Signator