

# ABHA Junior National Rules

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## **GENERAL RULES**

1. Exhibitor must be at least 7 years old and less than 22 years old by January 1, 2021 and a member of the American Black Hereford Junior Association (ABHJA). Dues are \$25 and must be paid prior to entry. Membership forms may be downloaded at [blackhereford.org](http://blackhereford.org).
2. All animals must be registered with the ABHA.
3. Each entry must be owned solely by the junior exhibitor(s) and in his/her recorded ownership before June 1, 2021. Siblings may jointly own animals, provided both are members of the ABHJA and meet ABHJA age requirements. No animal is eligible to compete if recorded in joint ownership (other than the sibling rule), and no joint ownership with farm name or family name.
4. Horned, de-horned or scurred animals are eligible to show.
5. ENTRY DEADLINE IS JUNE 1, 2021. ONLINE ENTRY FEE IS \$40 PER ENTRY.
6. MAIL IN ENTRY FEE IS \$50 and must be postmarked by JUNE 1, 2021. A bedding fee for barn stalls is included in the registration fee. Mail entries to the Junior Nationals, American Black Hereford Association, c/o Ernie Dominguez, P.O. Box 936, Elgin, TX. 78621. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.
7. Ownership Deadline is June 1, 2021. All animals must be registered and transferred prior to the June 1, 2021 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. This includes calves showing on the sides of cows in the cow-calf pair show. Entry fees are non-refundable. Calves showing part of a pair, can be shown on their own, a separate entry fee is due.
8. Cattle may begin arriving at 1 PM CST on June 23rd and MUST be on the grounds and checked in by 10 AM CST on June 24, 2021. NO EXCEPTIONS.
9. Registration certificate must be presented at check-in. Tattoos that are missing, illegible, altered, incorrect and/or in any other way disagree with the official ABHA records will be justifiable cause for disqualification of entry. Check tattoos well before leaving for the ABHJA.
10. ABHA Staff or designated individual can ask to check tattoos at any time.

11. Entries must meet Kentucky health regulations. All animals must have an official health certificate. Refer to Kentucky Health Requirements.
12. Exhibitor must show his/her own animals. Only exhibitors who are in attendance at the AJBHA and are physically unable to show the animals due to illness or injury will be excused. In the case of extenuating circumstances, the family must come to the ABHA board/staff, in which case, the board of directors / staff have sole discretion as to whether the animal may be shown by a substitute showman. Owner may secure another junior member to show his/ her animals if that exception is made, 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 may assist exhibitor in showing.
13. Exhibitor must wear a button-down collared shirt, close-toed leather boots and jeans or dress slacks in showmanship. The official show shirt must be worn for all other classes. Entry numbers must be worn on chest/back. Additional show shirts may be purchased.
14. If all requirements are not met, the ABHA Board and staff reserve the right to disqualify any entry.
15. All persons making entries in the show shall agree to abide by all the rules and regulations as outlined and agrees that the American Black Hereford Association or the 2021 American Black Hereford Junior Association Show Committee organizers are not responsible for accident, loss or injury to any person, animal or article.
16. Breeding cattle will not be weighed.
17. Due to Murray State University regulations and safety of exhibitors NO DOGS will be allowed on the grounds, in the tie outs, in the barns or in the coliseum.
18. Any animal a junior enters may be used in the team-fitting competition and/or be asked to be used in the judging contest.
19. The ABHA, reserves the right for all class winners and runner ups to be subject to DNA testing to verify parentage.
20. It is a policy of the AJBHA board of directors that if an animal gets loose in the showing, an exhibitor will be given two chances to regain control of said animal throughout the duration of that particular show. After the third instance exhibitor and animal will be dismissed from the showing by an ABHA board member or ABHA staff member.
21. It is strongly advised that exhibitors bring generators for backup use.

## **STALLING**

1. Stalling will be pre-assigned.
2. No cattle OR tack is allowed in the barns until Wednesday, June 23rd, 2021 @ 11 AM CST.

3. All cattle exhibiting at the event must be stalled in respective space. If under special circumstance the case arises, petition may be made to show staff for relocation.

### **ANIMAL HEALTH**

All Kentucky origin livestock must meet the exhibition requirements in 302 KAR 20:065, as listed below. For additional or updated information, contact the Office of the State Veterinarian at (502) 573-0282 or visit the website at: <http://www.lrc.state.ky.us/kar/302/020/065.htm>.

Livestock exhibiting signs of any infectious, contagious or communicable disease such as, but not limited to, warts, ringworm, pinkeye or foot rot are not eligible for exhibition. All KY origin animals for exhibition must be individually identified on a certificate of veterinary inspection written within the current calendar year. January 1 through June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021.

### **DIVISION BREAKS**

As of Jan. 1, 2021

- Pre-Pee wee - 6 years of age or younger
- Pee wee- 7 to 8 years of age
- Junior - 9 to 12 years of age
- Intermediate - 13 to 16 years of age
- Senior - 17 to 21 years of age

### **SHOWMANSHIP**

1. Divisions will be based on age as of Jan. 1, 2021.
2. Each age division will have a class.
3. Show staff will determine how to break each division if need be.
4. Registration for showmanship will be made at animal check in.
5. NO BULLS OR STEERS ALLOWED FOR SHOWMANSHIP.

### **JUDGING CONTEST**

1. Divisions will be based on age as of Jan. 1, 2021.
2. Each age division will be scored separately.
3. Junior and peewee division participants will answer one set of questions
4. Senior and intermediate division participants will answer one set of questions and give one set of reasons.
  - Registration for contest will be made at animal check in.
  - The maximum rotation for each class is 12 minutes.

### **TEAM FITTING CONTEST**

1. Teams will be pre-assigned and announced at least one (1) hour prior to the contest.

2. Each team will be comprised of three (3) members.
3. Time limit of thirty (30) minutes.
4. A team member must wear a show harness to display assigned team number
5. Contestants must bring any and all materials needed to the fitting area, including animal.
6. Each team will be allowed the use of one blower.
7. No improper fitting methods may be used.
8. Clippers may be used at the discretion of team members.
9. When time is called, one member from each team will exhibit the animal for final viewing and judging.
10. Judging will be based on fitting techniques and outcome. In the event of a tie, teams will be allowed back in the chute for an additional five (5) minutes.
  - No spectators, parents, etc. are allowed on the floor during contest.

### **INDIVIDUAL SALES CONTEST**

The main objective of the Individual Sales is to give Juniors a glimpse at real-life situations of selling while promoting the importance of communication skills, marketing technique and understanding of performance and pedigree information. The contest will be held in conjunction with the American Black Hereford Association Junior Nationals.

1. Contestants must be members of American Black Hereford Junior Association.
2. Individuals will compete in their corresponding age divisions.
3. Individuals must register in advance by June 1, 2021. There is no charge to compete in this contest.
4. Presentations will be 3-6 minutes long. The objective of each individual will be to convince the judges that they should purchase their entry.
5. Individuals may present any item that is related to the agriculture beef industry, i.e: an animal, embryo package, semen, etc.
6. Participants will be discounted for using notes.
7. The order of presentation will be determined by ABHA staff and will be posted prior to the contest.
8. Animals are not allowed in this contest; however, participants may use visual aids such as I-Pads, tablets, binder with information pertaining to the item being sold, etc.
9. No posters, dry erase boards etc. may be used during the presentation.
10. Senior and Intermediate contestants will be required to incorporate some form of graphic design and computer technology to design marketing materials that will supplement their presentation in the sale of their product this may include flyers, brochures, ads, etc.
11. Exhibitors will have two (2) minutes to setup their presentation.

Scoring for Junior and Pee Wee Contestants: Points will be awarded as follows:

- Knowledge - 25 Points
- Ability to communicate - 25 points
- Organization - 25 points
- Overall effect - 25 points
- (Salesmanship, Creativity/Originality, and Believability)

Scoring for Senior and Intermediate Contestants: Points will be awarded as follows:

- Knowledge - 20 Points
- Ability to communicate - 20 points
- Organization - 20 points
- Overall affect - 20 points
- (Salesmanship, Creativity/ Originality, Believability)
- Creative Design - 20 points

Ten (10) points will be subtracted from the total if judges detect the use of notes. Two points will be subtracted for each minute a presentation goes more than the allotted 6 minutes.

Judging will be by a two-member panel of judges based on 100 points maximum from each judge. Each judge will then rank the individuals based on points allocated.

### **STEER SHOW**

- Percentage and Purebred steers are eligible for exposition in the Junior Steer Show
- Entries will show by weight
- There will be three (3) divisions:
  - Lightweights
  - Middleweight
  - Heavyweight
- Steers will be weighed prior to classing

### **COW CALF PAIR SHOW**

- All calves are to be less than 205 days of age on show day.
- No calves born before December 4, 2020 will be eligible to show.
- One entry fee is required for pairs.
- If calf is shown again on its own, an additional entry and fee is needed.
- Percentage and purebred calves are eligible to show.
- Classes will be based on the age of calf.

### **BULL SHOW**

- Percentage and Purebred bulls are eligible to show

- Bulls one year of age and older must have nose lead
- Bull maximum age limit day of show is 24 months of age

## **HEIFER SHOW**

- HX (not eligible to be overall Supreme Champion)
- F1 (not eligible to be overall Supreme Champion.)
- Percentage (62.5 - 87.49% Hereford Blood)
- Purebred (87.5% or Higher Hereford Blood)

Haltered heifers will be shown in six Divisions:

- Division 1: Jr. Heifer Calves
- Division 2: Sr. Heifer Calves
- Division 3: Intermediate Heifer Calves
- Division 4: Spring Yearling Heifers
- Division 5: Jr. Yearling Heifers
- Division 6: Sr. Yearling Heifers

These will be the divisions for all Purebred, Percentage, HX and F1 shows. Final Divisions and Classes will be determined after all show entries are processed.

There will be no more than a 60-day spread of age in any class and no more than 8 in an individual class. The committee reserves the right to adjust these classes.

Bred and Owned Heifers will compete for Bred and Owned Heifer Champion.

## **BRED & OWNED**

1. To be eligible to show in 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 and owner on the registration certificate.
2. If it is an ET animal the exhibitor must own the donor dam of the animal.
3. The breeder of the animal must be the individual and not a farm name.
4. If the heifer, steer, or bull that is bred and owned is selected as Grand or Reserve Champion of their group they will automatically be Grand Champion Bred-and-Owned of their group.
5. Heifers, Steers, and Bulls will all have their own Bred-and Owned classes.
6. Heifers will show in their respected group for Bred and Owned: HX, F1, Percentage and Purebred.
7. Steers will show in their respected group for Bred and Owned: Percentage and Purebred.
8. Bulls will show in their respected group for Bred and Owned: Percentage and Purebred.

## **PREMIER JUNIOR EXHIBITOR**

The results from the show will be used to calculate the Premier Junior Exhibitor. In the event of a tie the results of showmanship will be used to break the tie.

The following will be awarded for class placing:

- 1<sup>st</sup> - 5 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - 3 points
- 4<sup>th</sup> - 2 points
- 5<sup>th</sup> - 1 point

The following will be awarded for division placing:

- Division Champion - 2 points
- Reserve Division Champion - 1 point

The following will be awarded for Champion placing:

- Grand Champion - 5 points
- Reserve Champion - 4 points

### **PREMIER ADULT BREEDER**

The same point system for the Premier Junior exhibitor will be used to calculate the premier breeder.

### **STAR JUNIOR**

This award will look at the exhibitor's participation in contests and their placing from show classes.

Each Contest Participation - 1-point Contest Placing:

- 1st - 5 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - 3 points
- 4<sup>th</sup> - 2 points
- 5<sup>th</sup> - 1 point

Exhibitors top placing animal in class:

- 1<sup>st</sup> - 5 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - 3 points
- 4<sup>th</sup> - 2 points
- 5<sup>th</sup> - 1 point

Exhibitors top placing division animal:

- Division Champion - 5 points
- Reserve Division Champion - 4 points

Show Champion placing:

- Grand Champion Animal - 10 points
- Reserve Champion Animal - 5 points