



DATE: August 14, 2017
TO: State Fair Livestock Exhibitors
FROM: Youth Show Dairy Committee

We have received your Youth Dairy Show entries for the Nebraska State Fair and are excited that you will be joining us. This letter is to inform you of State Fair procedures that apply to all youth dairy exhibitors. If you have specific questions about your dairy entries, have your Extension Educator or FFA Advisor contact one of the Superintendents:

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For any questions during the State Fair, please contact a Youth Dairy Show Committee Member at the Livestock Office 308-385-3944 or contact your Superintendent listed above.

Entry to Grounds, Unloading and Traffic Flow:

- Enter the east entrance to the Brunks lot from Stolley Park Road.
- Pick up exhibitor packet at Livestock Check-In Trailer; livestock will be health checked at this time.
- Enter Gate #4 and proceed to the barn. Unload at the south side or center of barn.
- When have unloaded, move your vehicle prior to setting up your area.
- Exit to east and south through Gate #2.
- After unloading and exiting grounds, drop trailer off in the Brunk's Lot (where Check-In Trailer is located). Once that lot is full you will proceed to the JBS Swift Lot on Stuhr Road.
- Vehicles without a parking permit will be allowed to park in the Luebbe's East Lot or general parking.
- Move trucks with exhibitor permit to exhibitor parking inside Gate #3 (3A) or Brunk's Lot (3B). Trucks without exhibitor permits must park in the Luebbe's East Lot or general parking.
- Please be courteous to other exhibitors.

Livestock Trailer Check-in Hours:

- Open from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 24.
- Open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Friday, August 25.
- Open from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 26.



Herdsmanship:

Herdsmanship is an important part of presenting a positive image of 4-H and FFA members and their livestock projects to the public. All exhibitors are encouraged to keep their areas neat and clean for public viewing.

Health Certificates: These are required on all animals entering the fairgrounds and will be checked by a veterinarian at the Livestock Check-In Trailer prior to entering the grounds. **If you have both 4-H and FFA livestock, they may be listed on the same health certificate as they will be checked at the same time.**

Stall Availability: Stall assignments for all species will be available at the livestock check-in trailer and posted in the barn. The livestock office will be staffed with 4-H staff from 1:00 pm on Friday, August 25 - Sunday, August 27, 5:00 pm.

Additional Electricity Available: Please continue to use common sense in the equipment you bring - though there is sufficient power available, it is not unlimited. Keep extension cords to a minimum! DO NOT have cords lying across aisles or in water; FIRE MARSHAL IS WATCHING! All generators must be kept outside the barn.

Bedding & Feed Service: Mid Nebraska Feeds (308-391-2992) will be operating the Feed Store this year. Bulk bedding will be provided for Dairy Cattle. Additional bagged bedding may be purchased from Mid Nebraska Feeds, located west of the Cattle Barn, open from 7:00 – 7:00 daily with payment of cash, check, or credit/debit card.

Livestock Insurance: Because of heat, stress or other conditions, an animal occasionally dies during transit or at the State Fairgrounds. Some insurance companies do offer special insurance for exhibitors to cover their animals during transit and exhibition. If you are interested in assuring that such a loss will be covered, contact a local insurance agent. There is no insurance coverage through State Fair, 4-H or FFA for this type of loss.

Youth Dairy Check-In: Check-in information will be included in the livestock exhibitor packet picked up at the check-in trailer prior to entering the fairgrounds. Dairy cattle can be checked in from 6:00- pm -8:00 pm on Friday, August 25 and from 7:00 am-10:00 am on Saturday, August 26.

****Exhibitors are responsible for having your animals checked in during the designated times.****

Showmanship: Three divisions in showmanship: Junior: 10-13 years old, Intermediate: 14-16 years old, Senior: 17-21 years (as of January 1, 2017).

Show Schedule: Dairy Showmanship will begin at 8:00 am on Sunday, August 27, with Senior, Intermediate and then Junior divisions, followed by the youth dairy show. All heifers (by breed) will show first, then the cow classes (by breed) will begin at the completion of the heifer show. The show will be held in the Five Points Bank Arena.

Fans: Because of the new fans in the building, there may not be the need for as many fans as in the past. No free standing fans are allowed in any of the barns. Evaporative coolers **will not** be allowed at the 2017 State Fair.

Exhibitor T-Shirts: The livestock office will have posted operating hours for youth to pick up their exhibitor t-shirt for their designated organization.

Livestock Release: Open and Youth Show dairy cattle are released after the exhibitor has finished showing your animals on Sunday, August 27. Load up and exit on the south side of the barn.