

2023 SOUTHEASTERN YOUTH FAIR BEEF HEIFER/COW PRODUCTION SHOW

- **COORDINATOR: Marion County Cattlewomen President: Stephanie Edwards, 352-843-0615**
- **SHOW COMMITTEE: Dianah Dunston, Crystal Waldron, Lynn Routh**
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- **IMPORTANT DATES: Refer to the Calendar of Events for all important dates**

INCOMPLETE entries will not be accepted

1. The SEYF General Rules & Regulations apply to this show.
2. All Beef Heifer exhibitors must attend the Mandatory Online Training with a parent/guardian by November 18, 2022. It is highly recommended to print and keep a copy of the completed training certificate.
3. Completed entry forms must be submitted by November 18, 2022 with exhibitor, parent signature and 4H/FFA leader will approval. If this is not completed, the exhibitor will not be eligible to show. Signature indicates you agree to abide by ALL rules pertaining to the 2023 SEYF Beef Heifer/Cow Production Show.
4. A RFID or EID assigned tag and a physical description is required on all animals. The tag is to be SCANNABLE and, in the heifer/cow's physical ear, RFID or EID tags will not be accepted if they are placed in another tag. This also includes leased animals. There will be a tagging day for those animals who do not have a RFID or EID tag. If the animal does not have a RFID or EID tag by the tagging date, it will not be eligible to be shown. If a tag falls out, the coordinator must be notified IMMEDIATELY with proper documentation that includes legible photographs and written statement with exhibitor information and animal identification. Coordinator reserves the right to visit the animal to inspect the RFID tag if it falls out. Please see RFID application instructions under resources on the SEYF Beef Heifer website.
5. No animal will be accepted on show day without the correct ID that matches the veterinarian health certificate and entry form information.
6. Proof of ownership must accompany entry form. This can be presented in the form of a cancelled check, bill of sale, or signed statement by a parent/guardian must be submitted with the entry.
7. Exhibitors with more than one Heifer in a weight class may have a substitute show the heifer. The substitute must be an existing Exhibitor in the Beef Heifer/ Cow show.
8. Clubs and Chapters must have a separate entry filled out for each animal and each individual exhibitor entered in the Beef Heifer/Cow Show. Club leaders and Chapter Advisors must turn in the names of EACH exhibitor assigned to each animal no later than January 31st.
9. The objective of the leasing of a heifer/cow is to provide qualified, hard-working 4H and FFA youth who either lack the means and/or the facilities, with greater opportunity to gain hands-on learning experience with an animal to be shown at the 2023 Southeastern Youth Fair. Animals leased must conform to general rules and show rules. A complete Southeastern Youth Fair Lease Agreement must accompany the entry form. A Heifer/ Cow must be shown by the same Exhibitor each year unless the said heifer/cow was not shown the previous year. All lease agreements are subject to approval by the show coordinator.
10. Each exhibitor is required to submit a FRONT, BACK and SIDE PHOTO of your 2023 SEYF heifer project.
11. The beef heifer committee reserves the right to visit the location where the heifer will be housed. Heifers/Cows must be in the possession of the exhibitor by the entry date, November 18, 2022.
12. Horned animals are allowed, but horns must be blunt tipped.
13. Animals must be of standard grade or better. All heifers/cows must exhibit a predominance of beef breeding.
14. All animals are to be shown in normal breeding condition.
15. The Committee reserves the right to review any entries, and may, excuse any animal or exhibitor due to misconduct, from entry in the show, if it is determined to be in the best interest of the overall show.

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16. Any decisions made by the Committee or its designee concerning these rules shall be conclusive.

SHOW DAY

17. (See General Rules #43) Beef Heifer Record Books are due in the SEYF Office during the week of February 13-17, 2023.
18. ONE THANK YOU SPONSORSHIP CARD/ LETTER IS REQUIRED AT FINAL CHECK IN. Sponsor name and address will be posted on our website prior to final check in.
19. No late check-ins will be accepted without the coordinator's approval. The coordinator must be called by 4 pm on final weigh-in day to be considered for approval.
20. No clipping on fair grounds. Animals are to be clipped prior to show day if so desired. Touch ups are permitted by the exhibitor only. No professional groomers will be allowed.
21. Show ring preparation policy = no grooming material is allowed on the animal. All animals must be washed clean and dried without the use of any grooming material/aides (blow & go). The use of brush and/or scotch comb is encouraged. Animals will be wiped down in the staging area. Animals that fail the check will be refused entry into the show ring.
22. The Show Committee reserves the right to determine whether an animal competes as a heifer or a cow. Heifers must be at least 6 months of age to be shown, an animal that has calved or has a calf under 6 months of age on its side will be placed in the COW Division.
23. Stalls will be assigned at check-in. Any special request must have prior approval. Please contact the SEYF Barn Committee no later than January 13, 2023, with your request.
24. Ample tack stalls will be available for each Club and/or Chapter. You are allowed to decorate your stall; however, you must not have items in the aisle ways.
25. Judging for Herdsman will take place between check-in on Saturday and end of show on Sunday by undisclosed judges.
26. All exhibitors are required to enter the Showmanship contest with their own heifer (or their Club or Chapter heifer) unless excused by the Heifer Committee.
27. Each exhibitor is required to clean their stall of shavings at the conclusion of the show, all shavings are to be pushed to center aisle at the conclusion of show, per direction of barn committee.
28. Exhibitor must have a heifer or cow in the show or record book turned in to participate in the Skill-a-thon contest.
29. SEE GENERAL RULE #24 for dress code requirements.
30. Heifers/Cows shall be halter broken and gentle. No tranquilizers, nose tongs, or other restraining devices are allowed. The Committee or its designee may at any time disqualify any animal that is unruly or creating an unacceptable risk to exhibitors or others. A disposition class will be held if necessary.
31. All animals are required to be housed in their assigned stalls.
32. The SEYF will provide the initial shavings required for bedding in the stalls. Exhibitors will be responsible for providing any extra shavings that he or she wants in their stall.
33. Each animal must be shown by its owner unless otherwise excused by the Committee.
34. NO electrical equipment will be allowed at the wash rack area.

CLASSES

35. Classes will be determined and posted in the barn and dispersed via text group following the conclusion of check-in. See SEYF website for instructions on how to join texting group.
36. The Show Coordinator reserves the right to combine or divide classes as necessary for the benefit of the over-all show. Classes will not be changed once the show starts.
37. Heifers will be divided in classes by weight. The number of classes will be determined after final check-in.
38. Cows that have previously calved will be required to have a positive veterinarian certificate of pregnancy or have a calf that is under 6 months of age on its side and will be placed in the cow division.

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39. Homegrown animals will be judged at the discretion of the Judge. Only those bred and calved while under the care of the exhibitor will be eligible to participate in the homegrown class. The Committee will have the final say as to the eligibility of an animal for the Homegrown Class.
40. Only one homegrown heifer and one homegrown cow per exhibitor.
41. 4H Clubs and FFA Chapters may show more than one in each class.

AWARDS

Grand Champion Light Weight Heifer and Reserve Grand Champion Light Weight Heifer

Grand Champion Heavy Weight Heifer and Reserve Grand Champion Heavy Weight Heifer

Grand Champion Cow and Reserve Grand Champion Cow

Overall Supreme Female – Light Weight, Heavy Weight and Cow Champion

Breeder of Grand and Reserve Grand Champion –presented at Cattleman’s Dinner following Fair

Champion Homegrown Heifer and Reserve Champion Homegrown Heifer

Champion Homegrown Cow and Reserve Homegrown Cow

Classes: 1st through 10th places at the judge’s discretion

Showmanship: 1st through 6th places in Junior, Intermediate & Senior Divisions

Skill-a-thon: 1st through 3rd places in Junior, Intermediate & Senior Divisions

Bertie Hill Award

Herdsmen: 1st through 3rd places

Record Books: 1st through 3rd places in Junior, Intermediate & Senior Divisions

Premier Exhibitor: Awarded to the exhibitor earning the most points based on the following: Showmanship, Skill-A-Thon, Herdsman, Ethics Course and Record Books.