

# Pasco County Fair Youth Dairy Cattle Show Rule Book

**February 22, 2008**

**Pasco County Fair  
Dade City, Florida**

All functions occur at the Albert A. Barthle Livestock Arena on the Pasco County Fairgrounds, Dade City, Florida unless stated otherwise.

## **DATES AND TIMES**

1. Entry forms **MUST BE POSTMARKED BY DECEMBER 7, 2007**. ENTRIES POSTMARKED AFTER DECEMBER 7, 2007 WILL NEED TO SEND A \$25.00 LATE FEE. NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AFTER JANUARY 15, 2008. Mail forms along with registration fees to the Pasco County Fair Youth Dairy Cattle Show Committee, Tammy Hanlon, Treasurer, Pasco County Fair Youth Dairy Cattle Show, P.O. Box 550, San Antonio, FL 33576.
2. Arrival: Dairy cattle entry into the Fair will be between 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. on Friday, February 22, 2008.
3. Show Time: Dairy Show will be Friday, February 22, 2008, Showmanship classes beginning at 3:30 p.m. -followed immediately by Conformation classes.
4. Awards: Herdsman Award will be given out on Saturday, February 23, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. in the barn.
5. Departure: Dairy cattle will be released from the Fairgrounds from 2:00 – 4:00 p. m. on Saturday, February, 23, 2008.

## **ENTRY RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. **\*\*NEW\*\***Entries are limited to Florida FFA Chapter members, 4-H Club members and other independent youth exhibitors enrolled in school. Minimum age is 8 years old and maximum is 19 years of age as of September 1, 2007.
2. All animals must have been owned or leased and cared for by the youth by entry date. No substitutions will be permitted.
3. Entries can be from any of the five major dairy breeds (Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein or Jersey).
4. Both grade and registered animals are eligible. Registration and grade identification papers will be checked by the show Registration Committee upon arrival. All grade animals must have an identification certificate issued by the respective breed registry association. The Grade ID Certificate must show positive identity of the animal, the animal's date of birth, owner, and specify how long the animal has been owned by the present owner. (For assistance contact Mr. James Humphrey, University of Florida Dairy Youth Specialist 352-392-5594).
5. **\*\*NEW\*\***There will be a \$10.00 (non refundable) exhibitor fee and a \$5.00 (**non-refundable**) registration fee per animal, to be submitted **with entry form.** Make all checks payable to the **Pasco County Fair Youth Dairy Cattle Show. ONE EXHIBITOR PASS AND ONE GENERAL ADMISSION PASS WILL BE PROVIDED PER EXHIBITOR.** (Fair membership is encouraged for family members.)
6. Each conformation exhibitor must maintain an official record book of their project animal(s). Completed record books must be presented on/or before Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. to be judged. Record Books may be submitted to the **Pasco County Fair Youth Dairy Cattle Committee, 36722 SR 52, Dade City, FL 33525 at the fairgrounds barn entrance. Or prior to at the Fair Board Office.**

7. **\*\*NEW\*\*** (Optional) Exhibitors are encouraged to create an educational poster that promotes the Dairy Industry. Topics may include but are not limited to: reproduction, nutrition, breeds etc. Posters are due at registration on Friday, February 22, 2008 by 9:00 AM. Posters will be judged and awards given for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each division, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior.
8. All animals must be dehorned before entering the Fair.
9. Each exhibitor must furnish his/her own care, feed and bedding (beyond sand provided) for their animals during the Fair. Fitting and grooming of animals must be done by the exhibitor.
10. Exhibitors must maintain proper conduct while exhibiting and showing their animals during Fair week and while on Fair grounds property. Observed infractions will be dealt with by the committee.
11. Tampering with any animal, such as filling with a foreign substance, is prohibited.
12. Out of county entries will be restricted only if stall space is unavailable; multiple entries per single exhibitor may be restricted.
13. Each exhibitor must assume responsibility and liability in the event of loss, death or injury to his/her animal. The Youth Dairy Cattle Show Committee and The Pasco County Fair Association are not responsible for the health and safety of any animal entered or exhibited.
14. Health rules are in accordance with state requirements. An official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection for both show animals and trailer is need from your veterinarian.
15. The Rules and Regulations of the 2008 Pasco Fair County Youth Dairy Cattle Show, as stated herein, are subject to change as determined by the Committee. Failure to follow rules and regulations will be grounds for disqualifications.

Any exceptions to these rules on behalf of an exhibitor must be submitted to the Grievance Committee for approval before the show. They will not be fined if the exception is accepted prior to bringing the animal(s) to the Fair.

## **BARN RULES**

1. Each day, stalls and bedding must be cleaned before 10:00 a.m. No hay or straw will be permitted as bedding. Shavings may be used.
2. At no time rakes and pitch forks permitted in the tie areas or aisles unless they are in the hands of the exhibitors.
3. Service areas, stalls, pens, animals and public walkways are to be kept clean and orderly at all times.
4. Show-boxes must be kept in designated show-box areas.
5. Animals may be led into the ring for practice from 12 noon to 2:00 p.m., but no animal is to be tied in the ring any time. **You must also clean up after your animal after leaving the ring.**
6. Major body grooming must be done prior to arrival at the fair grounds.
7. If lactating cows are to be shown at the Fair, the exhibitor must provide their own means of milking these cows and the milk must be disposed of according to state health regulations.

## **SHOW RULES**

1. A separate showmanship contest will be held. Judging will be based on the following main points:

### Appearance of Animal

- < Cleanliness
- < Grooming
- < Clipping
- < Condition and Thriftiness

Appearance of Exhibitor/Showing Animal in Ring

- < Leading
- < Posing
- < Showing Animal to Best Advantage
- < Poise, Alertness and Attitude

2. Contestants for **Showmanship** will be divided into classes, according to exhibitors' age, after entries are submitted and must show their own animal.
3. Exhibitors should be neat and clean. White shirts with white collar (no T-shirts, please) and white pants are preferred for showing dairy. Durable closed-toed shoes or boots are required.
4. All animals must be shown by registered exhibitor on entry form. Any exception must be cleared by the Committee Chairman before the animal is shown.
5. Conformation classes will be judged by the Danish System with the animals placed in Blue, Red or White groups.
6. All animals showing as two year olds and older must show evidence of reproduction. Two year olds must have freshened or have been diagnosed pregnant prior to the show. Cows three years old and older must have freshened at least once.
7. Dairy Show Classes for each Breed:

Classes:

- 1 Junior Heifer -Calf Born (September 1 – October 31, 2007)
- 2 Intermediate Heifer – Calf Born (June 1 – August 31, 2007)
- 3 Senior Heifer – Calf Born (March 1 – May 31, 2007)
- 4 Winter Yearling – Born (December 1, 2006 – February 28, 2007)
- 5 Junior Yearling – Born (September 1, 2006 – November 30, 2006)
- 6 Summer Yearling – Born (June 1, 2006 – August 31, 2006)
- 7 Senior Yearling -Born (March 1, 2006 – May 30, 2006)

\*\* (Any yearling in milk will be shown in the 2 year old class)

JUNIOR CHAMPION  
RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION

- 8 Two Year Old – Born (March 1, 2005 – February 28, 2006)
- 9 Three Year Old – Born (March 1, 2004 – February 28, 2005)
- 10 Aged Cows – Born (Before March 1, 2004)

SENIOR CHAMPION  
RESERVE CHAMPION

GRAND CHAMPION  
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION

*The Dairy Show Cattle Committee reserves the right to combine or eliminate classes at their discretion based on entry numbers.*

## AWARDS

1. Conformation class participants will receive ribbon.
2. Winners of the showmanship classes will each receive an award.
3. Awards will be given to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place Herdsman based on cleanliness, neatness and attractiveness of assigned barn area between 10:00 A.M. Friday, February 22, 2008 and 12:00 P.M. Saturday, February, 23, 2008.

## PEE WEE/EXHIBITION CLASS

***ALL EXHIBITORS, AGED 3-7 MAY SHOW A DAIRY ANIMAL FOR EXHIBITION ONLY. PEE WEE/EXHIBITOR'S MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. EXHIBITION CLASS EXHIBITORS DO NOT TURN IN A RECORD BOOK. EXHIBITORS FOR THIS CLASS WILL RECEIVE A PARTICIPATION AWARD ONLY.***

## HEALTH REGULATIONS

*The following rules are the law in Florida and will be enforced. The specific source is Chapter 5C-4 of the Florida Administrative Code entitled "Admission of Animals for Exhibition- Dairy".*

1. ***Vehicle cleaning and disinfection: All licensed commercial vehicles transporting dairy for exhibition in Florida must be clean and disinfected prior to loading under supervision of a veterinarian and the veterinarian's statement to that effect must accompany the shipment. Private vehicles must also be cleaned and disinfected, but do not require a veterinary statement.***

All required forms, rule books, and guidelines are available online at:  
[www.pascocountyfair.com](http://www.pascocountyfair.com)

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