

DAIRY JUDGING CONTEST

I. Eligibility

- A. Read general rules.
- B. Any 4-H member who meets the general eligibility rules can participate.
- C. Two teams per county or a maximum of eight participants per county.

II. Procedures

- A. Five classes will be judged with each class showing a total of four animals.
- B. Oral reasons will be given on at least two classes.
- C. Participants will be given 15 minutes to place each class, including the two-minute warning. Classes on which reasons to be given will be announced at the beginning of the contest. Each contestant will be allowed two minutes for oral reasons on each class.
- D. While judging, the participants will confer with no one except the group leader of their section or the superintendent of the contest. Offenders may have their cards pulled.

III. References

- A. Techniques of Judging Dairy Cattle, Dennis A. Hartman
- B. Dairy Cow Unified Score Card
- C. Placing Card for 4-H Judging Events, 200 D-9
- D. 4-H Judging Contest Sheet, 200 D-10
- E. The Basics of Dairy Judging, University of Maryland

IV. Awards

- A. First through fifth place ribbons will be awarded to team members and high point individuals. Medals will go to the first place team members. A plaque will go to the high point individual.
- B. The winning team may participate in various regional and national judging contests.
- C. For the team to compete nationally, age requirements according to the national contest will be observed.

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