



CHESHIRE FAIR – Dairy Cattle Department

August 3-6, 2023

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. An entry fee of \$3.00 per animal must accompany entry blank and must be postmarked by July 5th.
2. **ALL BREEDS must be on the grounds Thursday by 7:00 AM and will remain on the grounds until 5:30 PM** on the last scheduled Fair day. Animals will be released from the grounds by the Gate 3 Directors/Supervisors only, with the order of release beginning with the furthest traveled exhibitor. Failure to comply with this rule may result in loss of premiums.
3. All purchased cattle must be registered. The name and registry number shall accompany the entry and be shown. All persons exhibiting purebred stock shall be able to exhibit to the Superintendent of Cattle, a certificate of registration and, if required, shall file with the Superintendent, a copy thereof and an affidavit that the certificate covers the identical stock exhibited.
4. The person whose name appears in the herd book as the owner must enter all animals. All animals must be owned and registered in the exhibitor's name on or before July 1 of this year.
5. **All winnings over \$600 must fill out a W9 available on the Fair website or in the office.**
6. All cattle must be under Health Supervision of Federal and State Department of Agriculture and free from Tuberculosis and Bangs Disease.

NH REGULATIONS: Due to the fact that New Hampshire has been Tuberculosis and Brucellosis free for several years, Health Charts will not be required on NH cattle for exhibition services. Owners of New Hampshire cattle may now show their animals at the fairs providing they are not from a quarantined herd. State inspectors will still visibly observe all cattle for symptoms of a contagious and infectious disease, such as ringworm. If animals are found with a suspected contagious infection, they will be removed from the fairgrounds. Other states in New England are following this procedure for their native cattle.

OUT OF STATE REGULATIONS: Permits, plus health charts are required on all out-of-state animals. Detailed regulations governing the admission of domestic animals into the State of New Hampshire may be secured from the State Dept. of Agriculture, Concord, NH 03301.

7. Health papers will be required prior to unloading cattle. It is required that all animals be inoculated for shipping fever.
8. All entrants must check in with the Superintendent one-day prior to judging for that class and any changes must be cleared by the Superintendent.
Each class entry must be completely identified as to breed & class on the entry form. Incomplete information may disqualify an animal.
9. The age of all cattle shall be computed to September 1 this year.
10. Yearling heifers, which have freshened, will be shown in class #10, yearlings in milk.
11. Where a herd is registered in the names of different members of a family residing on one farm and where the herd is one unit, all entries may be considered as a single exhibitor in group classes.
12. Bring all registration papers to the ring to be checked before showing. Papers for groups may be checked at ringside.
13. An exhibitor may enter as many animals in an open single class as desired. However, an exhibitor is limited to two premiums in any class.
14. In case of no competition between exhibitors in a division, merit awards may be made on the judges' decision.
15. An animal must be shown in a single class to be eligible for showing in any group class.
16. No class changes on the day of the show.
17. All exhibitors must furnish their own wheelbarrows, forks, etc. All manure piles will be at the lower end of each barn.
Stalls must be clean at departure or premiums will be withheld.
18. Center aisles must be kept clear & clean. **All grooming chutes must be placed on the roadside of the center aisles.**
19. All exhibitors shall furnish their own hay & grain.
20. The judge has the right to disqualify any exhibitor at any time.
21. See Health Regulations NH Fairs (NH Dept. of Agriculture).
22. **Sawdust will be provided.**
23. **Fire Safety/Regulation form must be turned in with entry form.**
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BREEDS

(A) Ayrshire (B) Brown Swiss (G) Guernsey (H) Holstein (J) Jersey (M) Milking Shorthorn

Show is Friday, August 4, 10 AM

Premiums						
Classes	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
2-8	\$45	\$39	\$35	\$30	\$26	\$21
10-17	\$52	\$48	\$43	\$39	\$34	
22-25	\$60	\$40	\$30	\$20		
1, 9, 18	Ribbons only					
19	\$20 Grand (Trophy) & \$10 Reserve					
20, 21	Banner & Rosette					

***** Premium Checks will be mailed, postmarked by August 24th*****

**** Exhibitors Meeting to be held in the cattle ring at 3pm on Sunday ****

Classes

1. Peewee Showmanship (Any youth not eligible for 4-H), Ribbons only – to be held at **10 AM Friday, August 4.**
2. Spring Heifer, born 3/1/23 and before 5/31/23
3. Winter Heifer Calf, born 12/1/22 to 2/28/23
4. Fall Heifer Calf, born 9/1/22 to 11/30/22
5. Summer Yearling Heifer, born 6/1/22 to 8/31/22
6. Spring Yearling Heifer, born 3/1/22 to 5/31/22
7. Winter Yearling Heifer, born 12/1/21 to 2/28/22
8. Fall Yearling Heifer, born 9/1/21 to 11/30/21
9. Junior Champion & Reserve Junior Champion (1st and 2nd place winners of Divisions 2-8)
10. Yearling in milk
11. Junior 2-year-old Cow, born 3/1/21 to 8/31/21
12. Senior 2-year-old Cow, born 9/1/20 to 2/28/21
13. 3-year-old Cow, born 9/1/19 to 8/31/20
14. 4-year-old Cow, born 9/1/18 to 8/31/19
15. Aged Cow, born 8/31/18 or earlier
16. Dry Cow (has freshened at least once, not currently in milk)
17. Best Uddered Cow (in milk) limited to two cash prizes per farm unit.
18. Senior Champion & Reserve Senior Champion (1st and 2nd Place winners of Divisions 10-17)
19. Grand & Reserve Grand Champion (Junior, Reserve Junior, Senior & Reserve Senior Champion)
20. **Supreme Heifer Champion** - Banner & Rosette
21. **Supreme Cow Champion** - Banner & Rosette
22. Produce Of Dam – two animals, any age, from one dam
23. Best three females all bred & owned by one farm unit.
24. Exhibitors Herd – consisting of two under 2 and two over 2 owned by one farm unit.
25. Herdsmanship Award – Judged on educational value of the exhibit and appearance of exhibit, grouping, manure, signs, forks, buckets, bedding & hay, and any other item which the judge deems of quality.
 - a. Small Herd – 2 to 4 animals
 - b. Large Herd – 5 or more animals

LIVESTOCK RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Gate 1 (main entrance) will be open 24 hours per day. Gate 3 will be open at 6 AM every day.
2. Entries are open to everyone in all departments except where otherwise stated.
3. Written entries shall state-
 - (a) name, complete mailing address and social security number of exhibitor.
 - (b) department and class entered.
 - (c) description of animals to match exact class entered.
4. **The Cheshire Fair Association, Inc. will not be responsible for an accident or damage that may occur to persons or property while on the fairgrounds or on the road leading to the fairgrounds. All stock entered for premiums must be under the care and control of the exhibitor at his/her own risk during the Fair.**
5. **The Cheshire Fair Association, Inc. assumes no responsibility for injuries caused by any animal during the Fair.**
6. The Cheshire Fair Association, Inc. reserves the right to limit the number of entries in any class, as space in barns and tents is limited.
7. The Cheshire Fair Association, Inc. reserves the right to prorate or defer premium payments, as necessary, should funds not be available to grant immediate payment.
8. Exhibitors may show as many animals as they wish in any class or division, unless otherwise stated, but are limited to two cash prizes.
9. Any knowing violation of rules will disqualify the exhibitor from premium awards.
10. All decisions of judges shall be final.

CHESHIRE FAIR ANIMAL CARE POLICIES Established 1992 - Revised 2000

1. Absolutely no domestic animals, including dogs, cats, birds, reptiles or other animals will be allowed onto fairgrounds with spectators with the exception of trained/certified guide dogs. The Cheshire Fair Association, in recognition of animal rights, establishes the following policies pertaining to animals on exhibition or residence on the property of the Cheshire Fairgrounds:
2. Animals are expected to be of sound health when brought onto the grounds. A designated veterinarian may be present during the Cheshire Fair event and at other designated events and shall be allowed to examine any animal deemed in questionable health by Cheshire Fair staff and or its directors.
3. Animals will be kept in a clean and healthy environment while on exhibit or while in residence on the grounds. NO INHUMANE TREATMENT OF ANY ANIMAL WILL BE TOLERATED ON THE GROUNDS. Mistreated animals will be removed at the owner's expense.
4. **Due to liability, owners may be asked to remove any animal that is deemed in questionable health or a threat to the well-being of other animals or humans, at the discretion of the superintendent and or the directors of the Cheshire Fair Association.**
5. All canines and other animals brought onto the fairgrounds will have proof of current rabies vaccination. All shall display a current rabies tag if required. Canines and or other animals will be kept in designated exhibition areas or tied. All canines will be leashed and under the owner's control at all times. *UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL A CANINE OR OTHER ANIMAL BE ALLOWED TO RUN FREE ON THE CHESHIRE FAIR ASSOCIATION PROPERTY.*
6. **Any animal that bites or causes harm to any human and or animal while on the Cheshire Fair grounds will be the responsibility of the owner. Said animal may be requested to be quarantined and/or removed from the grounds, at the discretion of Cheshire Fair authorities.**

PARKING REGULATIONS

1. No vehicles will be permitted in the fairgrounds without proper passes. All other vehicles will be directed to the General Parking Lot.
2. Vehicles unloading animals, feed or hay may do so prior to 8 AM. No vehicles will be permitted on the grounds after 8 AM, and all vehicles must be off the grounds by 8 AM.
3. Vehicles parked in areas other than their designated area will be towed! If in doubt, please contact the department superintendent or the fair office.
4. These parking regulations are for the benefit of all, and to be a benefit they must be strictly enforced. Please be considerate of your fellow exhibitors and park in designated parking areas only.
5. Lock Outs & Jump Starting Vehicle – Due to damage liability, CFA will direct subject to private service.



2023 OPEN DAIRY EXHIBITOR ENTRY FORM


Please be sure to include a self-addressed stamped envelope with a check payable to:
Cheshire Fair Association 247 Monadnock Highway Swanzey NH 03446
Entry Forms due by: July 5, 2023

Exhibitor Name:	Farm Name:
Mailing Address:	Email:
Town, State, and Zip Code:	Phone:
	Social Security #/ Tin#:

Arrival Day: ***Required** (circle one) **Wednesday Thursday** Person/Farm Name transporting animals _____
 # _____ Animals to be housed with 4H Club or # _____ animals to be housed with Farm

Class Name	Name	Breed	Date of Birth	Tag/Reg#

Livestock Beef/Dairy \$3.00 per head # _____ head @ \$3.00 per head \$ _____

Camping Yes No Camping / Passes \$ _____

If yes, please fill out separate camping/passes registration form and mail with payment.

TOTAL \$ _____

*** I, (We) have read the 2023 Fire Safety Regulation Policy, understand and agree to all terms. Signed Fire Safety Form must be included with entry forms. The Cheshire Fair Association, Inc. assumes no responsibility for injuries caused by any animal during the Fair and will not be responsible for an accident or damage that may occur to persons or property while on the fairgrounds or on the road leading to the fairgrounds. Animals are shown at the risk of the owner or lessor, any damages to person(s) or property are the legal and financial responsibility of the animal owner or lessor. I, (We) agree to all terms.**

Signature _____ Date _____

Incomplete or unsigned forms will not be processed. **Please be sure to include a self-addressed stamped envelope** with a check payable to Cheshire Fair Association 247 Monadnock Highway Swanzey NH 03446

*Returned checks for insufficient funds are subjected to a \$35.00 returned fee. Any premiums will be held until check/fees are paid in full. Cheshire Fair Association is not responsible for loss, damaged, or stolen passes or wristbands.

 OFFICE USE ONLY: Check # _____ Amount \$ _____

Bank: _____ Date Received _____