2019 Vermont 4-H State Dairy Show Guidelines

Applications
- Addison & Orleans/Essex counties get them from your Educator. All other counties go to the 4-H web site: https://www.uvm.edu/extension/youth/announcements
- After you have had an interview, a record book review and if you have fulfilled the requirements then you may fill out the entry forms.
- Entries are due to the to the Livestock Educator no later than August 1st – see form for the address.
- To request a disability-related accommodation to participate in this program, please contact Wendy Sorrell at 802-651-8343 ext. 513 or 1-800-571-0668 by July 19, 2019 so we may assist you.
- Remember the 2019 State Show entry form is separate from the Eastern States (ESE) entry form.
- Only two animals may be entered per entry form for the state show and it must contain the original signatures (no photocopies or faxes).
- Only registered animals are eligible for Eastern States (Eastern States rule).
- On page, three of the guidelines is the list of cattle that are eligible to show at Eastern States. Please submit an official color copy with your entry which is also available on the web.
- The dates of the state show are August 11 and 12. On August 11, cattle arrive between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. with planned activities in the afternoon. On, August 12 the show starts at 9:00 a.m.

Eligibility
1. Record book and interview score of at least 60. Remember: Dairy project 4-H’ers are expected to keep a ”4-H Member Record” and a “Dairy Record Book,” and additional “Project Record(s)” for any other projects they do.
2. Age of 4-H’er for state show: 11 as of Jan. 1, of the current 4-H year and no older than 18. Note: For ESE, 4-H’ers must be 12 by January 1.
3. Project animal/approval form requirements met. Educators will mark your approval forms once your record book was checked.
4. Participation in a county/regional level 4-H dairy show but no ribbon level requirement to qualify for the state show.

All 4-H year seniors (age 14 and up) must have also participated in one of the following:
- State Dairy Judging*
- State Dairy Quiz Bowl*
- Dairy Challenge
- Talk/Demonstration /Illustrated Talk at State Day (Individual or Team)
- Educator-Approved Activity (must be approved prior to April 30)

*Judging and Quiz Bowl should be documented under “Other” in the “4-H Activities” section of the “4-H Member Record” and are to be documented in the “4-H Member Record” in the “Leadership” section.

Chaperones
- The ratio of chaperones to 4-H members varies with different events, but should be at least 1:10 for ages 15+ and 1:8 for ages 11-14.
- We will collect a copy of the member’s health form at registration.
- Be sure to bring two copies of your health form to the show
- Chaperones must also have the health forms for the youth they are chaperoning.
- Participants will be staying on the grounds so bring a tent, cot and sleeping bag/bedding material.
- If you bring a camper, there will be a fee of $25.00 (made payable to Caledonia County Fair County Field Days) if you want to hook up. There is no charge if you do not hook up your camper. Camper space is on first come, first serve basis.
- Tenting is also allowed with electric $5.00, no fee without electricity.
- Please follow the 4-H rules. No 4-H member is allowed to sleep in the barns.
Meals
We are having chicken BBQ hosted by Caledonia County Foundation on Sunday. On Sunday and Monday, food will be available for purchase courtesy of the Foundation.

Parking
Parents and visitors will park in designated areas. Handicap parking is available.

Animals
- Remember that no horns or scurs are allowed.
- Each 4-H member may bring only two animals; only one may be a milking cow, the other one may be a dry cow or heifer.
- Milking facilities are available, but 4-H’ers will receive no compensation for milk production.
- A 4-H’er may exhibit only one animal per class.
- You must bring your own feed and hay
- Animal identification to be checked at the county/state dairy shows includes approval, health forms and lease/loan, if applicable, to be matched to the animals by ear tag number. All bovines transported in state or out of state must have permanent identification, either NUES or AIN ear tags, in accordance with the official identification for interstate movement under the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal Disease Traceability rule. See the requirements for identification on the Vermont 4-H website, dairy, beef, or working steer project section or at the end of this overview. Tattoos or farm tags are not acceptable forms of ID. All forms should be with the animal for every show.

Sawdust will be available for your cattle at no cost!

Classes for Conformation at the State 4-H Dairy Show

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Fitting & Show Classes
These classes will be determined by the age of the youth as of the first of January 1 of the current 4-H year.

Accompanying the animal and upon arrival at the State 4-H Dairy Show, exhibitors must provide the following:
- Approval Form – past approval forms if the animal is 2 years and older
- Animal Health Form
- Lease/Loan (if needed)
- Colored registration form (only if animal is registered and you want to be considered for Eastern States)
- For all calf and yearling classes, ownership or lease/loan forms must exist in the member’s name prior to April 30.
- For cattle two years old or older, an approval form listing ownership or lease/loan, and registration must have existed before the animal’s second birthday.
- Forms still need to be submitted by April 30 every year the project animal is shown.
- If you do not have the proper papers, you and your animals will not be permitted to remain on the grounds or participate in any of the State 4-H Dairy Show activities.

Uniforms
- Uniforms: white or khaki full-length pants or knee length skirt with white blouse, dress shirt or polo shirt.
- Protective footwear is required.
- For the state show a tie and belt is recommended, but mandatory for Eastern States.
- Not allowed: t-shirts, shorts, sandals flip-flops, clogs, or any type of open toed shoe. Appropriate footwear must be worn at all times!
- Any type of advertising or logos.
Selection for Eastern States

- Members of the State 4-H Dairy Committee choose 30 youth and 15 alternates based on the following criteria:
  - Youth must be 12 years as of January 1 of the current year.
  - Project animals must be registered* (see below)
  - Your show ring etiquette
  - Leadership, sportsmanship and cooperation of youth
  - A separate entry form must be filled out and a colored copy of the animal’s registration must be handed in with it.

Note:
- Representation of all breeds is not mandatory.
- Preference is given to older members who have never been selected.
- Good sportsmanship is expected from all exhibitors, chaperones, volunteers, spectators, and others involved in the event.
- Eastern States has made a recent change with Animal Health Identification for Eastern States Exposition 2019. In 2019, **ALL CATTLE** (beef, dairy, and/or working steer) are **REQUIRED** to be identified with a 15-digit AIN RFID tag.
- If you want to be considered for Eastern States, your animal(s) must have the 15-digit AIN RFID tag by the Vermont State 4-H Dairy Show (for dairy cattle), August 11-12, 2019.

*From the Eastern States 4-H Dairy Packet*

*Provisional Registrations will be accepted in those breeds, which allow animals with provisional registrations to compete. Percentage purebred which can be shown varies within each breed. Per breed, the requirements are as follows:*

1. Holstein 87% or above.
2. Brown Swiss: white with a green border is issued for Registered Brown Swiss Females and Certified Identity Enrolled Females (CIE); Brown Swiss Step II Identity Enrollment (IE) animals which have a green Registration paper with a black border may also be shown;
3. Ayrshire 87% or above.
4. Guernsey: must have a white Registration Paper and GR prefix; Effective January 1, 2018 for an undetermined period of time, the standard for showing registered Guernsey’s at AGA sponsored shows will be lowered to the PR status (BBR 87% and above). The standards for Guernsey Appearance will remain in effect.
5. Milking Shorthorn: must be Herd Book Registered and have registry certificates issued by American Milking Shorthorn Society on white paper and cannot have the words “not eligible to show,” 36000, or 37000.
6. Jersey: Animals recorded at Generation Count 4 or higher are eligible.

For further information, please visit your breed association’s website. Any animal identified with only a Red and White Association certificate must be able to verify which of the six dairy breeds it will show under and meet the provisional show standards of either Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, Jersey or Milking Shorthorn

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