

Department 3

Beef Cattle

File Livestock Entry Form before Aug. 15th

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Judging Starts: **Wednesday, September 2, 2026 5 pm**

Pennsylvania Cattle Health Requirements:

- A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued after July 29, 2026 is required.
- All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases.
- The Exhibitor's signature on the Livestock Entry Form affirms that a veterinary-client-patient relationship is in place.
- Individual official animal identification is required. Official ID includes:
 - A USDA-issued metal ear tag; or
 - A breed registration tattoo if the tattoo is legible and the animal is accompanied by a copy of the registration certificate; or
 - A breed registration ear tag if the animal is accompanied by a copy of the registration certificate; or
- An ISO-compliant 15-digit ear tag (including RFID).
- A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian is required for animals 3 months of age and older (*market cattle are exempt from this vaccination requirement*). All vaccine label directions must be followed, and all rabies vaccinated cattle must be accompanied by a rabies vaccination certificate, or the vaccination information must be included on the CVI. If a rabies vaccination certificate is provided, the certificate must contain legible name and contact information of the veterinarian who administered the vaccine and the veterinarian's signature. A copy of the rabies vaccination certificate is acceptable.
- For out of state Cattle Health Rules and Requirements, Contact Bryan.

Rules:

- Cows exhibited with calves at side must be lactating. Calves must not exceed 240 days of age on the day of judging and must still be nursing. Calf entries in the Cow/Calf class may be shown individually, provided proper entry has been made. Champion Cow/Calf pair is eligible for Champion Female.
- **ALL BULLS OVER 6 MONTHS OF AGE MUST HAVE BULL LEAD IN PLACE WHEN WALKING TO OR FROM ARENA OR WASH RACK.**

Class **1st: 18 2nd: \$16 3rd: \$14 4th: \$12 Champions: Rosette**

1. Cow/Calf Pair
2. Cow/Calf Champion
3. Cow/Calf Reserve Champion
4. Summer Heifer Calves, Calved after May 1st
5. Late Spring Heifer Calves, Calved in April
6. Champion Junior Heifer
7. Reserve Champion Junior Heifer Calf
8. Early Spring Heifer Calves, Calved in March
9. Junior Heifer Calves, Calved January – February
10. Winter Heifer Calves, Calved between October – December
11. Champion Heifer Calf
12. Reserve Champion Heifer Calf
13. Late Summer Yearling Heifer, Calved between July – September
14. Early Summer Yearling Heifer, Calved between May – June
15. Champion Junior Yearling
16. Reserve Champion Junior Yearling
17. Late Spring Yearling Heifer, Calved in April
18. Early Spring Yearling Heifer, Calved in March
19. Champion Yearling Heifer
20. Reserve Champion Yearling Heifer
21. Late Senior Yearling Heifer, Calved between January – February
22. Early Senior Yearling Heifer, Calved between September – December
23. Champion Senior Heifer
24. Reserve Champion Senior Heifer
25. Grand Champion Female
26. Reserve Grand Champion Female
27. Junior Bull Calves, Calved June 1st and after
28. Junior Bull Calves, Calved in May
29. Junior Bull Calves, Calved in April
30. Junior Bull Calves, Calved in March
31. Junior Bull Calves, Calved between January and February
32. Junior Bull Calf Champion
33. Junior Bull Calf Reserve Champion
34. Late Senior Bull Calves, Calved between November and December
35. Early Senior Bull Calves, Calved between September and October
36. Senior Bull Calf Champion
37. Senior Bull Calf Reserve Champion
38. Late Summer Yearling Bulls, Calved between July and August
39. Early Summer Yearling Bulls, Calved between May and June

40. Intermediate Champion Bull
41. Reserve Intermediate Champion Bull
42. Grand Champion Bull
43. Reserve Champion Bull

Group Classes

1st: \$25 2nd: \$20 3rd: \$15 4th: \$10

Rules:

- **Any ages**
- **Both sexes may be represented.**
- **Bred by one exhibitor.**
- **May be owned by more than one exhibitor.**
- **All animals MUST be shown in their individual classes to be eligible.**

44. Breeder's Group – 3 animals
45. Produce of Dam – 2 animals
46. Get of Sire – 3 animals
47. Best Four Head Breed – 4 animals

Section 2 – Open Class Market Steers

Rules:

- **Crossbreed steers shall be classified according to breed of sire**
- **Beef steers shall be free of infections and transmissible**
- **Shipping fever shots required**
- **Due to weight variances and weight limits, the number of weight classes will be set by the fair**

Class

1st: \$18 2nd: \$15 3rd: \$13 4th: \$10 5th: \$8 Champions: Rosette

1. Lightweight
2. Medium Weight
3. Heavyweight
4. Extra Heavy Weight
5. Breed Champion and Reserve
6. Grand Champion and Reserve
7. Farm Show Steers

Section 3 – Breeding Beef Cattle Showmanship

Class

1st: \$10 2nd: \$9 3rd: \$7 4th: \$6 5th: \$5 Champion: Rosette

1. Junior Exhibitor

2. Intermediate Exhibitor
3. Senior Exhibitor
4. Grand Champion Showman

Section 4 – Big Knob Livestock Club Market Steers

- **Limited to members of the Big Knob Livestock Club who have a market steer project**
- **Judging Wednesday, September 2nd, 2026 at 6 pm in the Livestock Arena**

Class **1st: \$10 2nd: \$9 3rd: \$7 4th: \$6 5th: \$5 Champion: Rosette**

1. Light Light weight
2. Medium Light Weight
3. Heavy Light Weight
4. Light Medium Weight
5. Medium Medium Weight
6. Heavy Medium Weight
7. Light Heavy Weight
8. Medium Heavy Weight
9. Heavy Heavy Weight
10. Champion and Reserve Market Steer
11. Grand Champion and Reserve Market Steer

Section 5 – Big Knob Livestock Club Market Steer Showmanship

- Limited to members of the Big Knob Grange Livestock Club who have a market steer project
- Judging Wednesday, September 2nd, 2026 at 6 pm in the Livestock Arena

Class **1st: \$10 2nd: \$9 3rd: \$7 4th: \$6 5th: \$5 Champion: Rosette**

1. Junior Exhibitor
2. Intermediate Exhibitor
3. Senior Exhibitor
4. Grand Champion Showman