

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

Monday, November 16, 2020

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Associate Superintendents

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

The 2020 National Collegiate Livestock Judging Contest will be held Monday, November 16, beginning promptly at 8:00 a.m. in the East Hall of the Kentucky Exposition Center. All contestants are required to be in the East Hall by 7:15 a.m. A dinner and meeting of the coaches will be held Sunday evening, November 9 at which time final entries will be made.

The Awards Breakfast on Tuesday, November 17, 2020 will be held at the Kentucky Exposition Center at 8:00 a.m. and is sponsored by the North American International Livestock Exposition.

TEAM AND ENTRIES

A team shall consist of five members representing the agricultural college in which they are regularly enrolled. All entries must be mailed to the North American International Livestock Exposition, to arrive no later than October 20. A fee of **\$150.00** per team must accompany entry forms. The money received from this source is to be used to help defray expenses of the contest. Team Roster forms (listing potential team members and alternates) are due to the Superintendent on October 20.

ELIGIBILITY OF CONTESTANTS

1. A livestock judging contestant is defined as a person that is documented on the institution's eligibility form and is a contestant/alternate in any recognized senior college contest as outlined in the National Collegiate Livestock Coaches Association minutes. A livestock judging contestant must be a bonafide undergraduate student enrolled in a recognized institution offering a well-rounded curriculum in the Animal Sciences with a full degree in Agriculture. Exception being that a student may complete their eligibility in the Fall as a first term graduate/professional student.
2. Each contestant must be regularly enrolled or must have previously completed a livestock judging course at the institution he/she represents.
3. Each contestant must have been enrolled in enough college credit hours to represent 75% of an average semester, quarter or term credit load necessary to graduate in 8 semesters or its equivalent. Students must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester credits or 13.5 quarter or term credits. First semester graduate students must be enrolled in 9 credit hours.
4. Each contestant must have an accumulative grade point average of C (2.0 on 4.0 scale) or better at the University he/she represents and does not include transfer hours. This C average or better must have been maintained in a minimum of college credit hours equal to 75% of the normal two (2) semester, quarter or term loads required for normal progress in a 4 year graduation program. e.g., 24 semester hours where 32 semester hours is a normal 2 semester load, 27 quarter or term hours where 36 quarter or term hours is a normal 2 quarter or term load, etc. An eligibility form with the official institution seal from the registrar office must be remitted

to the National Collegiate Livestock Coaches Association Eligibility Committee chairperson by February 1 for the Spring semester and by September 1 for the Fall semester.

5. Each contestant must establish his/her institutional residence by being enrolled in the institution he/she represents for at least 1 semester or 1 quarter or term before competing in a Senior Contest.
6. Transfer and Two-Year Students: Junior College transfer students may be declared eligible for participation in livestock contests providing they have fulfilled all the requirements in rules 1-5. Two-year students in a certificate program or those enrolled as special students may be declared eligible for participation in livestock judging contests providing they have fulfilled all the requirements in rules 1-5.
7. Participation of a contestant in a Junior contest shall not make him/her ineligible for later contests provided he/she meets all other undergraduate requirements for later contests.
8. Contestants in the Fall Senior contests shall not be eligible for further contest participation in an Intercollegiate Livestock Judging Contest after the NAILE.
9. No contestant is eligible to compete in a contest if he/she has been ruled ineligible by his/her coach and/or institution. This rule applies to both social and scholastic probation from his/her institution.
10. No contestant is eligible to compete in a contest if he/she has any time served as an official instructor in an Animal Science Department at any Agricultural College. Nor, is he/she eligible if he/she has served as a regular Agricultural Extension Agent, regular Vocational Agriculture Instructor. A contestant that is an active member of the current team may serve as a judge or official in a local, regional or state livestock show or National Showmanship contest and receive expense money only for services. No contestant is eligible to judge a national livestock show prior to or while competing on the team.
11. Eligibility is for one calendar year. Interruptions in an undergraduate course of study for military service, hardship or other reasons shall not make a student ineligible for contest participation if all other contest requirements have been fulfilled. Contest eligibility will be granted for spring or fall contests only and not by individual contest.
12. A contestant caught cheating at a National 4-H, FFA, Junior College or Senior College judging contest and disqualified from the contest will be deemed ineligible to compete in any senior college livestock judging contest. Any contestant that is disqualified from any Senior College livestock contest will be deemed ineligible to compete in any future Senior College livestock judging contests.
13. No scholarships will be given to incoming students strictly for livestock judging. Students must compete for scholarships within a University, College or Departmental academic pool.
14. No current team member or coach (unless granted a judging contract, parent of a livestock exhibitor, or university employee managing the college's show string) are allowed on the exhibition grounds of the NAILE event at any time prior to the contest. Exceptions as outlined in parenthesis must be confirmed with the National Collegiate Livestock Coaches Association Eligibility Committee.

15. Each collegiate livestock judging coach and his institution will be held responsible for seeing that all of their respective contestants qualify under the contest eligibility rules of the association. If a coach and/or team member is found in violation, the administration of the university they represent will be notified of the violation and any consequences of said violation by the President of the National Collegiate Livestock Coaches Association.
16. All eligibility cases not covered by the regular association rules shall be submitted to the National Collegiate Livestock Coaches Association Eligibility Committee for disposition at least 15 days before the contest in question.
17. No organized participation (no contest affiliation, being on the floor marking cards or participating in reasons) of "junior" team members will be allowed at any of the identified contests (outlined in Rule 1).
18. No Senior College coaches, assistant coaches, or coordinators will be allowed to serve as official reasons takers in Senior College contests.

SUPERINTENDENT

The Superintendent shall have complete charge of the contest. He shall see that all rules and regulations governing the contest are duly carried out and that the contest is conducted with fairness and justice to all concerned. The Superintendent shall also decide all questions which may arise in connection with the interpretation of the rules.

JUDGING SYSTEM

A Committee of Judges shall place all classes and evaluate all oral reasons. A selection committee shall select all classes for the contest and decide which classes require oral reasons. If the number of teams entered indicates that additional judges are necessary to expedite and make more efficient the evaluation of oral reasons, the Superintendent shall have the authority to appoint such judges.

TIME - All contestants will report to the Superintendent at the Kentucky Exposition Center the morning of the contest where they will receive full instructions and routine in regard to the contest. Each will be assigned a number and will be given an opportunity to ask questions.

No contestant shall wear any uniform, college colors or shall in any way signify to the judges the identity of the college which he or she represents.

METHOD OF CONDUCT

While the contest is in progress, the use of cell phones, pagers, and any other and all electronic devices are prohibited from all contestants, there shall be no conferring between contestants or anyone else, except as directed by the Superintendent or his representative. Any violation of this rule will be punished by expulsion of the offender.

Procedures to be followed during the contest will be explained and covered at the Coaches Meeting.

CLASSES - The contest will consist of five classes of beef cattle, four classes of swine, two classes of sheep, and one class of meat goats. There will be a minimum of one market beef, market hog, and market lamb class. Performance classes with scenarios will be provided to the contestants on at least three classes, preferably one in each species. This information, along with visual appraisal, will be used to arrive at the final placing and will be included as a portion of the oral reason discussion. Contestants will be briefed on any assumptions to be used in placings prior to start of contest.

TIME ALLOWED - Contestants will be allowed 15 minutes to place each class. There will be a three-minute time warning.

Each group shall observe the ring of stock at a distance of 25 feet until close inspection is called by the group leader. For close inspection, contestants will observe the classes as follows:

Breeding Cattle*

- 2 min. - Side view with No. 1 on the left and their front ends faced to the right.
- 2 min. - Walk clockwise with No. 4 leading out first. (Minimum of 2 laps) Then put on rear view for close inspection.
- 3 min. - Close inspection for half of your group - no handling.
- 3 min. - Close inspection for other half of your group - no handling.
- 2 min. - Rear view.
- 3 min. - Side view.
- 15 min. - TOTAL

Market Steers*

- 2 min. - Rear view with No. 1 on the left.
- 2 min. - Side view with No. 1 on the left and their front ends faced to your right.
- 1 min. - Walk clockwise with No. 4 leading out first. (Minimum of 2 laps) Then put on rear view for handling.
- 2 min. - 1/3 of your group handles.
- 2 min. - 1/3 of your group handles.
- 2 min. - 1/3 of your group handles.
- 2 min. - Side view.
- 2 min. - Rear view.
- 15 min. - TOTAL

Breeding Sheep & Goat Classes (some classes may be loose)

- 2 min. - Rear view
- 2 min. - Side view
- 2 min. - Walk (Minimum of 2 laps)
- 2 min. - 1/3 of group moves in for close inspection (no handling) - Rear view.
- 2 min. - 1/3 of group moves in for close inspection (no handling).
- 2 min. - 1/3 of group moves in for close inspection (no handling).
- 3 min. - Put on 3/4 view.
- 15 min. - TOTAL

Market Lamb Class

- 2 min. - 3/4 view.
- 2 min. - Walk at halter (min 2 laps)
- 8 min. - Handle and close inspection (15 sec./lamb).
- 3 min. - 3/4 view.
- 15 min. - TOTAL

*Allow contestants to walk all the way around the class to get front view.

REASONS - Contestants shall give oral reasons no longer than two minutes in length on each of eight classes, which will include three classes of cattle, three classes of sheep and goats, and two classes of swine. Contestants will be informed which classes require reasons at the time they are working the classes.

MATERIALS - The Superintendent shall supply placing cards and any other necessary forms for conducting the contest. Contestants will be permitted to take notes on reason classes, but will not be allowed to use these notes while giving reasons to the judges.

DETERMINATION OF RATINGS

Ratings shall be based upon a possible score of 50 points for placing each ring and 50 points for each set of reasons. Since there are 12 classes to be placed and 8 sets of reasons to be given, there will be a possible total score of 1,000 points per contestant.

- A. Teams and individuals shall be ranked in order of total score (placings and reasons) for the classes comprising each species or award category. Species categories will include cattle, swine, and a combined sheep and goat category. The team or individual having the highest score shall be declared the winner in each category of the contest.
- B. In the case of a tie in team or individual scores overall, ties will be broken in the following manner:
 - 1. Higher total reasons score
 - 2. Lower total placing score in reasons classes
- C. In the case of a tie in team or individual scores within species or category, ties will be broken in the following manner:
 - 1. Higher total reasons score within species/category
 - 2. Higher total reasons score overall
 - 3. Higher total score overall
- D. In the case of a tie in team or individual reasons scores, ties will be broken in the following manner:
 - 1. Lower placing score in reasons classes
 - 2. Higher total overall score

JUNIOR COLLEGE LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

The 2020 Junior College Livestock Judging Contest will be held Tuesday, November 17, beginning at 7:45 a.m., in the East Hall of the Kentucky Exposition Center. All contestants are requested to be at the KEC by 7:15 a.m. The Coaches' and Superintendent Meeting will be held on Monday, November 16 at 5:30 p.m., at which time final entries will be made.

The Awards presentation will be held on Tuesday, November 17, 30 minutes following the Official Placings and Class Cuts. No Award Banquet will be held.

TEAMS AND ENTRIES

All entries must be mailed to the North American International to arrive no later than October 20. A fee of **\$500.00** per team must accompany entry forms. The money derived from this source is to be used to help defray expenses of the contest.

ELIGIBILITY OF CONTESTANTS

1. All team members must be majoring or minoring in agriculture.
2. All team members must be enrolled as full time students carrying 12 quarters or semester hours.
3. Team members must not have competed in a previous Junior College North American International Livestock Judging Contest.
4. Team members must not have completed more than 66 semester hours or its equivalent in quarter hours or 5 semesters.
5. Open to all junior, community or vocational technical colleges teaching agriculture.
6. Each livestock judging coach and his/her institution will be held responsible for seeing that all of their respective contestants qualify under contest eligibility rules.
7. The specific eligibility of a contestant will be determined by the Junior College Coaches' Association Constitution. Stated as follows: A student will have a 12-month continuous eligibility from the date of his first official contest as a team member.
8. A contestant must be deemed eligible by any and all National Junior College Coaches' Association rules.

SUPERINTENDENT

The Superintendent shall have complete charge of the contest. He/She shall see that all rules and regulations governing the contest are duly carried out and that the contest is conducted with fairness and justice to all concerned. The Superintendent shall also decide all questions which may arise in connection with the interpretation of the rules.

JUDGING SYSTEM

A Committee of Officials shall select and place all classes and score all reasons. The officials shall decide which classes require reasons. If the number of teams entered indicates that additional officials are necessary to expedite and make more efficient the scoring of reasons, the Superintendent shall have the authority to appoint such officials.

TIME - All contestants will report to the Superintendent at the Kentucky Exposition Center at 7:15 a.m., November 17, where they will receive full instructions and routine in regard to the contest. Each will be assigned a number and will be given an opportunity to ask questions.

No contestant shall wear any uniform, college colors or shall in any way signify to the judges the identity of the college which he represents.

METHOD OF CONDUCT

While the contest is in progress, there shall be no conferring between contestants or anyone else, except as directed by the Superintendent or his/her representative. Any violation of this rule will be punished by expulsion of the offender. Cell phones, pagers, and electronic communication devices are prohibited.

Contestants shall be divided by the Superintendent into six groups: A, B, C, D, E, F, and shall be so designated throughout the contest.

CLASSES - The contest will consist of five classes of beef cattle, four classes of swine and three classes of sheep with each animal designated by numbers 1 - 2 - 3 - 4. Each species will include a minimum of one market class. Individual performance information will be provided for one beef breeding and one swine breeding class. This information, along with subjective appraisal, will be used to arrive at the final placing and may be included as a portion of the oral reasons discussion. Contestants will be provided with a scenario as to how the cattle and swine are to be utilized in a production system (mating system, environment, feed supply, etc.).

TIME ALLOWED - Contestants will be allowed 15 minutes to place each class. There will be a two-minute time warning.

Each group shall observe the rings of stock at a distance of 25 feet until close inspection is called. For close inspection, groups will be divided into two groups for breeding cattle, with time schedule: 3-3-3-3-3. The time schedule for sheep will be 3-9-3. Three minutes at the start and finish of each class will be given to observation from 25 feet distance. Contestants will be lined up numerically and will be given 10 seconds to handle each lamb.

REASONS - Contestants shall give oral reasons for eight classes, which will include four classes of cattle, two classes of sheep and two classes of swine. Contestants will be informed which classes require reasons at the time they are working the classes.

MATERIALS - The Superintendent shall supply placing cards and any other necessary forms for conducting the contest. Contestants will be permitted to take notes on reasons classes, but will not be allowed to use these notes while giving reasons to the officials.

DETERMINATION OF RATINGS

Ratings shall be based upon a possible score of 50 points for placing each ring and 50 points for each set of reasons. Since there are 12 classes to be placed and 8 sets of reasons to be given, there will be a possible total score of 1,000 points per contestant.

The final rank of each contestant in each specie of livestock shall be determined by the total of his/her scores on placings and reasons. The individual rank for all classes of livestock shall be determined by adding his/her total scores for each specie of livestock.

The team ranking shall be determined by total placings and reason scores of each of the five team members.

In case of a tie in team or individual scores within species (cattle, swine, or sheep) or overall score, ties will be broken in the following manner:

1. Species reasons (first tie-breaker)
2. Overall reasons (second tie-breaker)
3. Lower total placing score within species or overall (third tie-breaker)
4. "Flip of the coin" (fourth tie-breaker)
5. Awards will not be duplicated.

In case of a tie in team or individual oral reasons scores within species (cattle, swine, or sheep) or overall oral reasons score, ties will be broken in the following manner:

1. Lower total placing score within species or overall (first tie-breaker)
2. "Flip of the coin" (second tie-breaker)
3. Awards will not be duplicated.

AWARDS

The North American International Livestock Exposition offers a trophy to the high team overall. Plaques will be offered to the high team and high individuals in Beef, Sheep, Swine and Reasons.

The National Junior College Coaches' Assn. will offer a traveling trophy in honor of Tom Reedy to the High Team Overall. Coach of the High Team will receive the Fred Francis High Team Coach Award.

The Chris Mullenix Family will present a traveling trophy to the Coach of the High Team Overall.

The International Livestock Exposition offers a large silver traveling cup to the team making the highest score in judging all classes of livestock. The North American also offers a lapel pin to each contestant participating in the contest, appropriately inscribed. They further offer ribbons as follows: (1) to each of the ten high individuals judging all classes of livestock; (2) to each of the ten high individuals judging beef cattle; (3) to each of the ten high individuals judging sheep; (4) to each of the ten high individuals judging swine; (5) to each of the five members and coach of the five high teams judging all classes; (6) to each of the ten high individuals on oral reasons; (7) to each of the five members and the coach of the five high teams judging cattle, sheep, and swine; (8) ribbons to the five high teams and the coach on oral reasons.

Tom Reedy Award - \$200.00 cash award to the high individual sponsored by National Junior College Coaches' Assn.

Fred Francis Memorial Coaches Award - \$200 Gift presented to the coach of 1st Place overall team.

The ShowTimes Magazine - one year free subscription to each of the Top Ten Individuals Overall

The American Hereford Assn. will offer trophies to high team members in cattle judging.

The Senior College Coaches' Assn. offers a traveling trophy for high team overall.

The Junior College Coaches' Assn. will offer traveling trophies for high team in cattle, swine, sheep, and reasons.

The ShowTimes Magazine will present banners to each of the Top Five Teams Overall

Charles G. & Thomas Charles Memorial Award - Presented to High Individual overall (Charles Stoutenborough, Maroa, Illinois was an Assistant Superintendent of this contest from 1975 - 1981.)

The ShowTimes Magazine will present an award buckle to the Top Individual Overall

Plaques for second to fifth high teams in cattle are sponsored by the American Angus Assn. and Accelerated Genetics.

Plaques for second to tenth high individuals in cattle are sponsored by the American Chianina Assn., Accelerated Genetics, Robjoy Shorthorns, American Livestock Insurance, Kent Nutrition and Lee & Stacy Stremstefer.

The Beef Improvement Federation will sponsor a silver platter to the top team in beef performance.

Trophy to the high individual beef, presented by American Hereford Association.

Plaques for second to fifth high teams in swine by Pork Checkoff and National Swine Registry.

The American Yorkshire Club will sponsor a silver platter to the high team in swine performance.

Plaques for the second to tenth high individuals in swine are sponsored by the National Swine Registry, Pork Checkoff, Norman Brothers and HiPoint Genetics.

High Team plaques for team members of high sheep team sponsored by the Continental Dorset Club.

Second to fifth high sheep teams will receive plaques from the Mid-States Wool Growers, United Producers, Inc., and American Hampshire Club.

Plaques for the second to tenth high sheep individuals sponsored by the American Southdown Assn., American Corriedale Assn., Heinold Feed, the Montadale Sheep Breeders Assn., Ellerbrock Club Lambs, Titus Club Lambs, and PrintCo. Printing.

Plaques for the second to fifth high teams in reasons sponsored by the American International Charolais Assn., American Simmental Assn., The Steve Austin Family and Dover Genetics.

Swine Genetics International will sponsor award for High Individual in Swine Reasons.

Plaques for the second to tenth high individuals in reasons sponsored by American Maine-Anjou Assn., American Chianina Assn., Kent Feeds, Midwest Meats, and American Shorthorn Association.

Plaques for the second to fifth high teams overall sponsored by American Simmental Assn., National Swine Registry and Trans Ova Genetics.

Plaques for the second to tenth high individuals overall sponsored by American International Charolais Assn., American Simmental Assn., Stan & Jennifer Tarr, and Pro-fit Show Supply.

Mint Julep Cups for the High Overall Team are provided by the North American International Livestock Exposition.

Other award sponsorships are provided by Select Sires, Inc. and Purina Mills, LLC.