# PORTAGE COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR BEEF RULES & REGULATIONS 2026

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# 1. Purpose

- 1.1 The following rules established and approved by the Portage County Junior Fair Beef Committee, hereafter referred to as the Beef Committee, and the Portage County Randolph Senior Fair Board are binding upon all Portage County Junior Fair Beef exhibitors. Changes may be made as needed by the Portage County Junior Fair Beef Committee in cooperation with the Portage County Randolph Senior Fair Board. Exhibitors will be notified of any changes.
- 1.2 The responsibility of knowing and understanding any and all rules pertaining to the Randolph Portage County Junior Fair shall belong to the junior fair exhibitor and their parents/legal guardian.

# 2. Membership and Exhibit Eligibility

- 2.1 Junior Fair market beef project members must be 8 years old and in the third grade or 9 years of age or older and under 19 years of age on January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year in which they will exhibit. (9/2003)
- 2.2 FFA market beef project members must be under 19 years of age on January 1 of the year in which they will exhibit.
- 2.3 Junior Fair beef breeding project members will follow Ohio 4-H membership guidelines. FFA beef breeding project members will follow Portage County Randolph Fair guidelines for FFA.
- 2.4 All Junior Fair Beef exhibitors and their families will adhere to the rules outlined by the Portage County Junior Fair Beef Committee and the Portage County Randolph Fair as established for junior fair beef projects. Exhibitors must also adhere to the rules adopted by the Portage County Randolph Fair in accordance with the Ohio Livestock Show Reform Act, Ohio Livestock Tampering and Exhibition Rules and the Portage County Junior Fair Code of Conduct.
- 2.5 Any Portage County 4-H Club with beef project members must have all money and fees due, paid in full prior to the next year's weigh-in, or that club's members will not be eligible for weigh-in. (11/2007)

#### 3. Daily Care

- 3.1 Junior Fair exhibitor agrees to abide by the committee's guidelines for proper care and animal health as outlined below:
  - (A) Exhibitor must have adequate facilities for the project(s) including:
    - (i) Good clean box stall; well-lit and separated from any other species of livestock.
    - (ii) Stall must be well constructed and adequately sized to house the beef project(s).
    - (iii) Proper feeding area, manger for hay and adequate, clean water facilities.

- (B) The beef project(s) must be under daily care of the Junior Fair exhibitor, however, it is not necessary to keep the beef project(s) at the owner's premises.
- (C) The beef project(s) can be kept at a premise other than the owner's at the discretion of the Beef Committee. A written request from the member is required and must be submitted at or before the November weigh-in.
- (D) The exhibitor agrees to take full precautions against their beef project(s) getting loose. Should the beef project(s) become lost at any time, the full responsibility to correct the situation lies with the Junior Fair exhibitor and their parents, not the Beef Committee.
- 3.2 At least two (2) home visits made by an assigned member of the Beef Committee may be required in order for a Junior Fair Market Beef exhibitor to participate in the Portage County Randolph Junior Fair. More visits may be made if deemed necessary. (10/2002)

#### 4. Market Beef November Weigh-In

- 4.1 Mandatory weigh-in will take place the Saturday before Thanksgiving. Weigh-in is mandatory for Market Beef during assigned day, time and location. Exceptions must be approved by Sr. Fair Board Market Livestock Committee.
- 4.2 All market beef projects will be positively identified at the mandatory weigh-in.
- 4.3 All market beef projects must be in the possession of the Junior Fair exhibitor by the mandatory weigh-in.
- 4.4 Market beef projects will be purebred or crossbred steers or heifers of domestic cattle breeds. In order to show as a breed, the market beef project must meet their "National Breed" standards and must present Registration Papers by the March Beef Committee Meeting at the latest, matching the ear tattoo(s) at the time of weigh-in. Breed designations will be determined as defined in the Ohio State Fair guidelines for breeds that appear, or by the Breed Association standards for all other breeds. In accordance with the Ohio State Fair guidelines, Shorthorn Plus steers will be recognized as a distinct breed designation, shown separately from purebred Shorthorns.
- 4.5 The recommended age of a market beef project at harvest is 14 to 20 months. Therefore, market beef projects should be between 5 and 11 months old at the November weigh-in.
- 4.6 Number of steers permitted to weigh-in:
  - (A) Market beef project exhibitors are limited to showing one market beef project at the fair until after they have completed one year in the market beef project.
  - (B) First year market beef project exhibitors may weigh-in up to three (3) market beef projects at November weigh-in. First year market steer project exhibitors are eligible to take one (1) market beef project to the fair and one (1) market beef project to carcass. (4/2010)

- (C) Second year or above market beef project exhibitors may weigh-in up to four (4) market beef projects at November weigh-in. Second year or above market beef project exhibitors are eligible to take up to two (2) market beef projects to the fair and one (1) market beef project to carcass.
- (D) Each market beef family (comprised of siblings who house their market beef projects together) is eligible to designate up to one (1) market beef project as their family extra. The family extra market beef project is eligible to be exhibited at the fair or in carcass class by any member of said market beef family, according to the eligibility outlined above. The family extra market beef project will count towards the eligibility restrictions of one of the market beef project exhibitors within said market beef family.
- 4.7 All market beef projects should be dehorned before the November weigh-in and must be before the fair. Steers should be castrated prior to the November weigh-in and must be before the fair. Heifers must not be pregnant to be eligible for carcass class or the fair and may be subject to a pregnancy test administered by a member of the Beef Committee prior to the fair or at the fair. If a heifer has a positive pregnancy test prior to the fair, it will be ineligible for the fair.
- 4.8 The following fees are mandatory and will be collected at the November weigh-in:
  - (A) Dead Market Beef Fund: Each market beef project exhibitor will pay a nominal fee, set by the Beef Committee prior to weigh-in, at the time of the weigh-in. This fee is due at the time of the November weigh-in and will be placed into a special fund to be administered by the Beef Committee. In the event an exhibitor's market beef project dies this fund will be used to partially reimburse the market beef exhibitor according to the conditions and requirements that are outlined in *Section 5*.

# 5. Dead Market Beef Fund

- 5.1 The purpose of this fund was designed to financially help a market beef exhibitor in the event the exhibitor's market beef project dies.
- 5.2 If an exhibitor's market beef project dies the loss notification procedure will be as follows:
  - (A) The market beef exhibitor notifies his/her advisor.
  - (B) The advisor notifies the beef committee president.
  - (C) A beef committee member must verify the identification of the market beef project before disposal of the carcass.
- 5.3 In order for a claim to be valid and payable, the following conditions must be met:
  - (A) The identification of the market beef project must be verified by a beef committee member according to *Rule 5.2 (C)*.
  - (B) The market beef project may not be harvested.

- (C) This insurance policy expires at the end of the Market Beef sale on Saturday of the fair. Any losses after the end of the Market Beef sale will not be payable through the Dead Market Beef Fund.
- 5.4 The amount of the claim check will be determined as follows:
  - (A) The base amount of the claim check will be based on the market beef projects weight at the November weigh-in. The dollar amount per pound will be set by the Beef Committee on a yearly basis.
  - (B) In addition to the base amount of the claim check, \$1.00 dollar per day will be added from the November weigh-in date to the date the market beef project dies.
  - (C) In the event the total claim amount, in a given year, exceeds the total available funds in the Dead Market Beef Fund, all claim amounts will be adjusted so that the total claim amount is equal to or less than the available funds. This rule supersedes both *Rule 5.4* (A) and *Rule 5.4* (B).
- 5.5 All claim checks will be distributed when the checks from the current year's market beef sale are released, typically around the beginning of October.
- 5.6 Under no circumstances shall the Beef Committee, as administrators of the Dead Market Beef Fund, be responsible for any amount in excess of the funds available.

#### 6. Market Beef Carcass Class

- 6.1 The carcass class will be shown on the hoof the week before the fair, or as determined by the Beef Committee, and then will be judged on the rail. All exhibitors will be notified when the results of the contest will be announced, typically at the processor's facility, so that anyone interested can attend and learn what made any one carcass grade higher than another.
- 6.2 All market beef projects will be weighed in during carcass class. Any project that weighs less than 850 pounds and/or has not gained at least an average of 1.5 pounds per day since November weigh-in will be ineligible for carcass.
- 6.3 A maximum of one hundred (100) points will be awarded to determine the placement of the market beef projects in the carcass class. The points will be awarded in the following manner:
  - (A) A maximum of ten (10) points will be awarded based on rate of gain as outlined in *Table 6.4 (A)* found in *Appendix A*. Rate of gain is calculated by dividing the difference between the carcass weigh-in and the November weigh-in by the number of days between the two weigh-ins.
  - (B) A maximum of ten (10) points will be awarded based on dressing percentage as outlined in *Table 6.4 (B)* found in *Appendix A*. Dressing percentage is calculated by dividing the market beef projects hanging weight by the weight of the market beef project at carcass weigh-in.

- (C) A maximum of five (5) points will be awarded based on the completion of the exhibitor's record book. This will be judged on carcass night by a committee made up of members of the Beef Committee.
- (D) A maximum of five (5) points will be awarded based on the exhibitor's ability to lead his/her market beef project as outlined in *Table 6.4 (D)* found in *Appendix A*. Carcass leading scores shall be posted immediately following the leading portion of the contest. An appeal may be made within ten (10) minutes of the points being posted to the judging committee. The ultimate decision lies with the judging committee.
- (E) A maximum of seventy (70) points will be awarded by the carcass judge based on characteristics of the hanging carcass.
- 6.4 Only the Grand Champion Carcass and the Reserve Champion Carcass will be sold through the Junior Fair Market Livestock Auction at the fair.
- 6.5 The Grand Champion Carcass and the Reserve Champion Carcass will be sold per pound by hanging weight.
- 6.6 Other participants have the option to sell their entries independently, keep the carcass for themselves, or have the carcass bought at a pre-set rate by the packer.
- 6.7 Completed processing cuts sheets for carcass market beef projects shall be provided by the exhibitor at carcass class. If a cut sheet is not provided, the standard cut sheet will be used.

#### 7. General Market Beef Fair Rules

- 7.1 All market beef project exhibitors are strongly encouraged to have personal liability insurance for the time the beef project is at the fair.
- 7.2 Proper precautionary measures while handling or being around all livestock at the fair must be followed. This would include but is not limited to refraining from lying with the livestock, riding the livestock, and walking the livestock into other areas of the fairgrounds. The ultimate goal is to prevent injury to the exhibitors and anyone else around when these events are taking place. (10/2011)
- 7.3 There will be no electrical "shock" devices used on any Junior Fair beef projects (*Fair Board Policy Development Committee, May 2004*).
- 7.4 All beef projects must be dry for fair weigh-in. Any questions about the exhibitor's market beef project's weight must be addressed while the market beef project is still in the weighing area. A market beef project may be re-weighed a single time as long as it has not left the weighing area. The second weight will be the final weight for the market beef project.

- 7.5 Each market beef project participating in the Portage County Junior Fair Market Beef Project must have gained at least 1.5 pounds per day to be eligible for exhibit, show and sale at the fair. If a market beef project falls short of the mandatory rate of gain, the market beef project's eligibility will be decided by the beef committee based on the project's perceived degree of finish. (10/2008)
- 7.6 (not used)
- 7.7 In the event a market beef project appears uncontrollable or hostile, the Beef Committee has the authority to appoint a committee of four (4) members, preferably non-showing parents, to determine a project to be uncontrollable. Further, this committee advises the Junior Fair exhibitor and the exhibitor's family that the market beef project will be sent home or tied to the rail based on the severity of the uncontrollability as determined by this committee. (10/2004)
- 7.8 All exhibitors must take a photograph of their market beef project for promotional use and send a digital copy to the designated individual prior to the due date established by the Beef Committee, typically in early August.
- 7.9 Champions must be penned in the proper designated stall (Champion/Reserve Champion pens) by 9 a.m. the morning after the Market Show and remain stalled there until the end of the fair or the market beef project will be sold with the market beef exhibitor receiving only up to market price (as determined by the Sale Committee the day of the Market Beef Sale) with any money above market price being donated to the Portage County Junior Fair Market Livestock Scholarship Fund. (10/2011)
- 7.10 No generators along the Hamilton Arena are to be run while a show is in progress in the Hamilton Arena.
- 7.11 Market beef project exhibitors are not permitted to show or sell their market beef project with a nose ring in the market beef project. At the discretion of the Beef Committee, a nose ring may be used to take the market beef project to the rail or sale ring.

#### 8. Market Beef Fitting and Grooming

- 8.1 Market beef projects are the market beef project exhibitor's responsibility to fit and groom at the fair.
- 8.2 After arrival at the fairgrounds, each market beef project exhibitor who has shown market beef projects for two years or more must groom his/her own animal. They can, however, seek the advice of current Portage County junior fair beef exhibitors.
- 8.3 First or second year market beef project exhibitors can be assisted by the exhibitor's parents, Junior Fair club advisors, Junior Fair exhibitors or an appointed helper assigned by the Beef Committee.
- 8.4 The market beef project exhibitor must be present and actively involved in the grooming of his/her project animal.

- 8.5 Professional groomers are not permitted to help any market beef project exhibitor.
- 8.6 In the event any of the above fitting and grooming rules are violated, the following procedure will be followed:
  - (A) A warning will be issued by three (3) members of the Beef Committee, including an advisor from the exhibitor's club, an advisor from another club, and a member of the Beef Committee.
  - (B) If the warning is not taken, the exhibitor's market beef project will be sold with the market beef exhibitor receiving only up to market price (as determined by the Sale Committee the day of the Market Beef Sale) with any money above market price being donated to the Portage County Junior Fair Market Livestock Scholarship Fund.
  - (C) Chain of communication for analyzing penalty will be as follows:
    - (i) Talk to all parties involved. Issue warning.
    - (ii) If the warning is not taken, the exhibitor's market beef project will be sold with the market beef exhibitor receiving only up to market price (as determined by the Sale Committee the day of the Market Beef Sale) with any money above market price being donated to the Portage County Junior Fair Scholarship Fund.
- 8.7 Grooming chute location will be determined by Junior Fair exhibitor seniority, with the final decision made by the Beef Committee.
- 8.8 Each Junior Fair exhibitor may bring one (1) grooming chute. If an exhibitor has two (2) market beef projects at the fair he/she may bring two (2) grooming chutes to the fair as long as the exhibitor receives permission from the Beef Committee prior to the start of the fair. The number of grooming chutes may be modified by the Beef Committee as needed to accommodate space issues.
- 8.9 Each Junior Fair exhibitor may have an area up to 75 square feet to be used for the exhibitor's grooming chute. A free standing (EZ-Up style) tent may be setup in the exhibitor's grooming chute location as long as the exhibitor's do not violate the maximum area of 75 square feet per grooming chute. For example, two exhibitors may share a 12 foot by 12 foot (144 square feet) tent and still be in compliance as the combined allowable area for two chutes is 150 square feet. Tents with sides may not be used. Maximum area per grooming chute may be modified by the Beef Committee as needed to accommodate space issues.
- 8.10 All blowers used in the Junior Fair beef area must have grounds in their cords.

# 9. Market Beef Showmanship Class

- 9.1 All Junior Fair Market Beef exhibitors must show their own animal. This includes grooming and show preparations. The guidelines for grooming for this show are as outlined in *Section* 8.
- 9.2 The classes for showmanship will be determined in the following manner:
  - (A) Beginner's Class will be comprised of first year exhibitors only. The class may be divided depending on the number of first year exhibitors at the discretion of the Beef Committee. All first year exhibitors are then eligible to show again in their proper age classes.
  - (B) Age classes are divided by year of birth in order to get classes with ideally no more than eight participants per class. The class divisions may change on a yearly basis. The Champion of Champions winner from the previous year will only compete in the oldest age class, not necessarily in his/her age class. After one year of competing in only the oldest age class, the market steer exhibitor will return to his/her age class, provided he/she did not win Champion of Champions that year as well.
  - (C) Champions of Champions Class includes the first place winner of each of the age classes (beginner's class is not included) from the current year only.
- 9.3 Winners of the age classes advance to the next age class the following year. If they do not win in that age class, they return to their own age class.
- 9.4 In the event an exhibitor's animal dies, the committee will make the decision as to which animal this exhibitor may show in this class if the exhibitor wishes to participate. This includes grooming of the animal.

#### 10. Market Beef Class

- 10.1 The number of classes will be determined by the Beef Committee at the fair weigh-in. Market beef projects shall be divided into classes with no more than 10 projects per class.
- 10.2 Market beef project exhibitors must show their own project animal. In the event that the exhibitor has two beef projects in the same class, only another Portage County Junior Fair beef project exhibitor may show the second animal.
- 10.3 A total of three (3) or more market steers are needed before a breed will be accepted for a class designation. Exceptions to this rule will be made by a majority vote at a Beef Committee meeting when necessary.
- 10.4 Once an animal has been determined to be a breed or crossbred at November weigh-in, it will remain as a breed or crossbred, unless the committee recognizes the need for a change. "National Breed" standards will be followed in determining eligibility and Registration Papers and matching tattoos are required. "National Breed" standards may be obtained by contacting the respective breed association. (6/2009)

- 10.5 If there are a total of three (3) or more breed market steers that do not fall into a breed market class in any given year then an All Other Breeds (AOB) will be formed.
- 10.6 If there are a total of three (3) or more market heifers, they shall form their own market class, regardless of purebred or crossbred status. If fewer than three (3) market heifers are weighed in at the fair, they will show with the crossbred market steers, regardless of purebred or crossbred status. Market Heifers are not eligible to be shown in the beef breeding show.
- 10.7 If more than ten (10) crossbred market steers are brought to the fair, crossbred classes will be divided by weight for uniform class sizes in the following manner.
  - (A) After fair weigh-in all crossbred steers will be sorted by weight, from lightest to heaviest.
  - (B) The number of desired crossbred classes will be determined so that the number of crossbred steers is divided as evenly as possible. Considerations will be made to try and mimic the average number of steers in the purebred classes and average number of heifers in the market heifer class(es).
  - (C) In some cases, the crossbred steers may not be able to be divided so that each class has the same number of steers. In these situations, the first crossbred classes to be given an extra steer will be the heaviest class. If more additional steers remain, they will be added to the next lighter class and so on, until all additional steers are accounted for. In no case shall the difference in number of steers between the crossbred class with the most steers and the crossbred class with the least number of steers exceed (1) steer.
- 10.8 If more than ten (10) market steers of a given purebred are brought to the fair, the purebred classes will be divided in the same manner as the crossbred classes described in *Rule 10.7*. If more than ten (10) market heifers are brought to the fair, the market heifer classes will be divided in the same manner as the crossbred classed, described in *Rule 10.7*.
- 10.9 The procedure for selecting the top five (5) crossbred market steers will be as follows: All class winners from the crossbred classes enter the ring. From these steers, the judge will select the Grand Champion Crossbred market steer. Once the Grand Champion Crossbred animal is selected the second place animal of that class is asked to enter the ring to be evaluated for Reserve Grand Champion Crossbred animal. This process continues until the top five crossbred animals are placed.
- 10.10 The procedure for selecting the top five (5) overall animals will be as follows: All of the respective Breed Class Grand Champions, the Market Heifer Champion, and the Crossbred Champion enter the ring. From these animals, the judge selects the Overall Grand Champion animal. Once the Overall Grand Champion animal is selected, the Reserve Grand Champion animal (purebred, heifer, or crossbred) is asked to enter the ring for evaluation for Reserve Grand Champion Overall. This process continues until the top five overall animals are placed.

# 11. Portage County Market Beef Born and Bred Division

- 11.1 Two Portage County Born and Bred Divisions will be exhibited at the fair, split according to the requirements below. A steer may only show in one (1) of the two (2) divisions as described.
  - (A) To be eligible to be shown in the Portage County Family Farm Born and Bred Division, the market beef project must have been born in Portage County, Ohio and on either the farm of the market beef exhibitor's parents or grandparents.
  - (B) To be eligible to be shown in the Portage County Born and Bred Division, the market beef project must have been born in Portage County, Ohio.
- 11.2 All market beef projects within each division, will be shown in the same class.
- 11.3 The Born and Bred Classes will show during the market beef show on following the last crossbred class, prior to the final drive. These market beef projects will also show in their regular market classes. (11/2008)
- 11.4 The market beef project must be shown by the Portage County Junior Fair exhibitor/owner or another Portage County Junior Fair exhibitor if the exhibitor /owner has two market beef projects in the same class.
- 11.5 Only the top two entries in the Portage County Born and Bred Class will be placed.

#### 12. Market Beef Project Champion

- 12.1 In the event of tie after tie-breaking procedures have been applied, Project Champion may be awarded to more than (1) exhibitor.
- 12.2 The market beef project an exhibitor shows in showmanship class will be designated as that exhibitor's project market beef.
- 12.3 An exhibitor's project market beef must be shown by the market beef's Junior Fair exhibitor in showmanship and market class in order to be eligible for project champion.
- 12.4 Project Champion will be determined according to the following points system:
  - (A) A maximum of 120 points will be awarded based on an exhibitor's skill-a-thon score for each age grouping. The skill-a-thon is a test of an exhibitor's knowledge about market beef typically held about a month before the fair. Bonus tie-breaking questions will also be asked during skill-a-thon, but will only be added to an exhibitor's score in the event of a tie for Project Champion.

(B) A maximum of 80 points will be awarded based on the exhibitor's placement in showmanship class according to the following schedule.

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(i) 1st Place 80 points

2nd Place 78 points

3rd Place 75 points

4th Place 71 points

5th Place 66 points

All Others 60 points
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- (ii) Judge to place five places in Champion of Champions Class in order to give those who are only able to show in this class an equal chance of gaining showmanship points. Points will not be added to anyone who has already received showmanship points in an earlier age division.
- (C) A maximum of 80 points will be awarded based on the exhibitor's project beef's placement in market class according to the following schedule.

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(i) 1<sup>st</sup> Place 80 points

2<sup>nd</sup> Place 78 points

3<sup>rd</sup> Place 75 points

4<sup>th</sup> Place 71 points

5<sup>th</sup> Place 66 points

All Others 60 points
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(D) If two or more exhibitors are tied for Project Champion after Market Class and Showmanship placement, the tie-breaking questions asked during Skill-a-thon will be applied to break the tie. If two or more exhibitors remain tied after the scores for the tie-breaking questions have been added, then those exhibitors will be awarded Project Champion.

#### 13. Market Beef Sale

13.1 All Junior Fair Exhibitors in Market projects are expected to exhibit and sell their own animals. Exhibitors must be present to show in their market or showmanship class in order to be eligible to sell. Another Portage County Jr. Fair Exhibitor within the same species may show in the market class or in the sale, but not both. Any Jr. Fair Market Exhibitor that will miss either market show or sale must submit a form to the Sr. Fair Board Market Livestock Committee for review. Sr. Fair Board Market Livestock Committee decision is final. If form is not submitted and the show or sale is missed the exhibitor will be paid market price. The remainder of their market proceed check will be donated to the Jr. Fair Market Livestock Sale Scholarship Fund.

- 13.2 Each Junior Fair exhibitor may sell a maximum of two (2) market animal units of one species, and one (1) market animal unit each of two other species; hereafter, referred to as the 2-1-1 Rule.
  - (A) Limitation of the species number of market animals each Junior Fair exhibitor may sell through the Portage County Junior Fair Market Livestock Sale are stipulated by the individual Junior Fair species committees and cannot exceed the 2-1-1 Rule.
  - (B) If a Junior Fair exhibitor is found to have violated the 2-1-1 Rule, that Junior Fair exhibitor will forfeit the proceeds from their highest selling market animal unit. Those forfeited proceeds will be placed into the Portage County Junior Fair Market Livestock Scholarship Fund.
  - (C) Grand and Reserve Champion carcasses will sell exclusive of the 2-1-1 Rule.
- 13.3 The following is the Market Sale Order established by the Beef Committee:

**Grand Champion Carcass** 

Reserve Grand Champion Carcass

Grand Champion Beef

Reserve Grand Champion Beef

Project Champion Beef

Third Place Overall

Fourth Place Overall

Fifth Place Overall

Remaining Breed/Market Heifer Champions

Remaining Breed/Market Heifer Reserve Champions

Remaining First Place Class Winners

Remaining Second Place Class Winners

Remaining Third Place Class Winners

Remaining Fourth Place Class Winners

Ect.

Feeders (as determined by the market judge) sell last

- 13.4 A promotional sale picture will be taken with the buyer for the top selling market beef projects. This promotion picture will be given to the buyer once developed. The buyer also may take the banner won by the market beef project after the market sale for promotional purposes.
- 13.5 All market beef projects are required to be sold through the market beef sale. For market heifers sold, the buyer will have the option to take the market heifer home after the fair for use as a breeding heifer if he/she desires. If a market heifer wins Grand Champion Beef or Reserve Grand Champion Beef, it must be sold terminally and harvested. All Market Steer projects sold at the Market Beef Sale will remain terminal and be harvested. Buyers who elect to take their purchased market heifer(s) home, must either haul themselves or arrange for hauling on Sunday of the fair, after the project release time as set by the Portage County Sr. Fairboard.

#### 14. Beef Breeding Exhibition and Entry

- 14.1 All Portage County Junior Fair beef breeding project exhibitors must be enrolled in a beef-breeding project by the June 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.
- 14.2 Junior Fair beef breeding project exhibitors must register and pay their open class entry fees to the Portage County Randolph Fair Open Class Beef Department in order to exhibit and reserve proper stall space by the deadline established for open class animal entries set by the Portage County Randolph Senior Fair Board. (10/2006)
- 14.3 Junior Fair beef breeding project members must be 8 years old and in third grade or 9 years of age or older and under 19 years of age on January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year in which they will exhibit.
- 14.4 All Junior Fair beef breeding project exhibitors must be in possession of their project(s) by the 15<sup>th</sup> of April of the year of exhibition or when the animal is born, whichever is later. The project must be in the daily care of the exhibitor and housed at the exhibitor's premises. A beef breeding project may be housed somewhere other than the owner's premise at the discretion of the Beef Committee. A written request is required and must be approved on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> of April of the year of exhibition.

# 15. Beef Breeding General Fair Rules

- 15.1 All animals must be in place by 9:00 P.M. on the Monday night of the fair.
- 15.2 Bulls for exhibition in the Junior Fair beef breeding show must be born in the year that they will be shown at the fair.
- 15.3 When a heifer or bull entered for exhibition becomes aggressive at the fair, the decision on whether the Junior Fair exhibitor will be permitted to take the animal into the ring for show will be up to the Junior Fair beef committee, in accordance with *Rule 7.7*.
- 15.4 All beef breeding project Junior Fair participants will be required to exhibit good sportsmanship at all times.
- 15.5 No decorations, tack boxes, animals and/or equipment may be removed on Sunday before the time established by the Fair Board and found in the current year's fair book.

#### 16. Beef Breeding Fitting and Grooming

- 16.1 No professional groomers or fitters are allowed to groom animals of Junior Fair beef breeding exhibitors at the fair.
- 16.2 Beef breeding exhibitor's parents, Junior Fair club advisors, and/or fellow Portage County Junior Fair beef breeding exhibitor's will be able to help first and second year beef breeding exhibitors groom their project(s).
- 16.3 Third or above year beef breeding project exhibitors may have help from a Junior Fair club advisor or other Portage County Junior Fair beef breeding project exhibitor(s) in grooming their project(s).

#### 17. <u>Beef Breeding Classes</u>

17.2 All entries within each age group show together regardless of breed designation.

#### 18. Beef Breeding Showmanship

- 18.1 All entries show together.
- All junior fair beef breeding exhibitors must show their own animal. This includes grooming and show preparations. The guidelines for grooming for this show are as outlined in *Section* 16.
- 18.3 In the event an exhibitor's animal dies, the committee will make the decision as to which animal this exhibitor may show in this class if the exhibitor wishes to participate. This includes grooming of the animal.

# 19. Beef Feeder Exhibition and Entry

- 19.1 All Portage County Junior Fair beef feeder project exhibitors must be enrolled in a beef feeder project by the June 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.
- 19.2 Junior Fair beef feeder project exhibitors must register in Junior Fair Entry for Portage County by the deadline established for animal entries set by the Portage County Randolph Senior Fair Board.
- 19.3 Junior Fair beef feeder project members must be 8 years old and in third grade or 9 years of age or older and under 19 years of age on January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year in which they will exhibit.
- 19.4 All Junior Fair beef feeder project exhibitors must be in possession of their project(s) by the 15<sup>th</sup> of April of the year of exhibition or when the animal is born, whichever is later. The project must be in the daily care of the exhibitor and housed at the exhibitor's premises. A beef breeding project may be housed somewhere other than the owner's premise at the discretion of the Beef Committee. A written request is required and must be approved on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> of April of the year of exhibition.

#### 20. Beef Feeder General Fair Rules

- 20.1 All beef feeder projects must be in place by 7:00 P.M. on the Monday night of the fair and must be weighed in at the end of the Market Beef weigh-in, which starts at 7 PM on the Monday of the fair. The beef feeders may be identified with a temporary tag at this weigh-in.
- 20.2 Beef Feeders for exhibition in the Junior Fair beef feeder show must be born in the year that they will be shown at the fair. They may be either steers or heifers but bulls are not eligible in the Beef Feeder class.
- 20.3 When a heifer or steer entered for exhibition becomes aggressive at the fair, the decision on whether the Junior Fair exhibitor will be permitted to take the animal into the ring for show will be up to the Junior Fair beef committee, in accordance with *Rule 7.7*.

- 20.4 All beef feeder project Junior Fair participants will be required to exhibit good sportsmanship at all times.
- 20.5 No decorations, tack boxes, animals and/or equipment may be removed on Sunday before the time established by the Fair Board and found in the current year's fair book.

# 21. Beef Feeder Fitting and Grooming

- 21.1 No professional groomers or fitters are allowed to groom animals of Junior Fair beef feeder exhibitors at the fair.
- 21.2 Beef feeder exhibitor's parents, Junior Fair club advisors, and/or fellow Portage County Junior Fair beef exhibitors will be able to help first and second year beef exhibitors groom their project(s).
- 21.3 Third or above year beef project exhibitors may have help from a Junior Fair club advisor or other Portage County Junior Fair beef feeder project exhibitor(s) in grooming their project(s).

# 22. Beef Feeder Classes

22.2 All entries show together regardless of breed designation.

# Appendix A

*Table 6.4 (A)* 

Rate of Gain							
(lbs/day)	Points	(lbs/day)	Points	(lbs/day)	Points	(lbs/day)	Points
3.00	10.00	2.72	8.60	2.44	6.40	2.16	3.60
2.99	9.95	2.71	8.55	2.43	6.30	2.15	3.50
2.98	9.90	2.70	8.50	2.42	6.20	2.14	3.40
2.97	9.85	2.69	8.45	2.41	6.10	2.13	3.30
2.96	9.80	2.68	8.40	2.40	6.00	2.12	3.20
2.95	9.75	2.67	8.35	2.39	5.90	2.11	3.10
2.94	9.70	2.66	8.30	2.38	5.80	2.10	3.00
2.93	9.65	2.65	8.25	2.37	5.70	2.09	2.90
2.92	9.60	2.64	8.20	2.36	5.60	2.08	2.80
2.91	9.55	2.63	8.15	2.35	5.50	2.07	2.70
2.90	9.50	2.62	8.10	2.34	5.40	2.06	2.60
2.89	9.45	2.61	8.05	2.33	5.30	2.05	2.50
2.88	9.40	2.60	8.00	2.32	5.20	2.04	2.40
2.87	9.35	2.59	7.90	2.31	5.10	2.03	2.30
2.86	9.30	2.58	7.80	2.30	5.00	2.02	2.20
2.85	9.25	2.57	7.70	2.29	4.90	2.01	2.10
2.84	9.20	2.56	7.60	2.28	4.80	2.00	2.00
2.83	9.15	2.55	7.50	2.27	4.70	1.99	1.90
2.82	9.10	2.54	7.40	2.26	4.60	1.98	1.80
2.81	9.05	2.53	7.30	2.25	4.50	1.97	1.70
2.80	9.00	2.52	7.20	2.24	4.40	1.96	1.60
2.79	8.95	2.51	7.10	2.23	4.30	1.95	1.50
2.78	8.90	2.50	7.00	2.22	4.20	1.94	1.40
2.77	8.85	2.49	6.90	2.21	4.10	1.93	1.30
2.76	8.80	2.48	6.80	2.20	4.00	1.92	1.20
2.75	8.75	2.47	6.70	2.19	3.90	1.91	1.10
2.74	8.70	2.46	6.60	2.18	3.80	1.90	1.00
2.73	8.65	2.45	6.50	2.17	3.70		

*Table 6.4 (B)* 

Dressing	Points	Dressing	Points	Dressing	Points	Dressing	Points
Percentage (%)		Percentage (%)		Percentage (%)		Percentage (%)	
65.0 (and above)	10.0	62.4	7.4	59.8	4.8	57.2	2.2
64.9	9.9	62.3	7.3	59.7	4.7	57.1	2.1
64.8	9.8	62.2	7.2	59.6	4.6	57.0	2.0
64.7	9.7	62.1	7.1	59.5	4.5	56.9	1.9
64.6	9.6	62.0	7.0	59.4	4.4	56.8	1.8
64.5	9.5	61.9	6.9	59.3	4.3	56.7	1.7
64.4	9.4	61.8	6.8	59.2	4.2	56.6	1.6
64.3	9.3	61.7	6.7	59.1	4.1	56.5	1.5
64.2	9.2	61.6	6.6	59.0	4.0	56.4	1.4
64.1	9.1	61.5	6.5	58.9	3.9	56.3	1.3
64.0	9.0	61.4	6.4	58.8	3.8	56.2	1.2
63.9	8.9	61.3	6.3	58.7	3.7	56.1	1.1
63.8	8.8	61.2	6.2	58.6	3.6	56.0	1.0
63.7	8.7	61.1	6.1	58.5	3.5	55.9	0.9
63.6	8.6	61.0	6.0	58.4	3.4	55.8	0.8
63.5	8.5	60.9	5.9	58.3	3.3	55.7	0.7
63.4	8.4	60.8	5.8	58.2	3.2	55.6	0.6
63.3	8.3	60.7	5.7	58.1	3.1	55.5	0.5
63.2	8.2	60.6	5.6	58.0	3.0	55.4	0.4
63.1	8.1	60.5	5.5	57.9	2.9	55.3	0.3
63.0	8.0	60.4	5.4	57.8	2.8	55.2	0.2
62.9	7.9	60.3	5.3	57.7	2.7	55.1	0.1
62.8	7.8	60.2	5.2	57.6	2.6	55.0	0.0
62.7	7.7	60.1	5.1	57.5	2.5		
62.6	7.6	60.0	5.0	57.4	2.4		
62.5	7.5	59.9	4.9	57.3	2.3		

*Table 6.4 (D)* 

Leading Ability	Points
The member does not attempt to lead their beef project	0
The beef project is totally unleadable	1
The beef project is able to be led less than half of the time	2
The beef project is able to be led half of the time	3
The beef project is able to be led between 50% and 90% of the time	4
The beef project is able to be led at least 90% of all the time	5