



The Georgia Junior Livestock Program

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2009 GEORGIA JUNIOR BEEF FUTURITY

Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter, Perry, GA

June 18-20, 2009

- Eligibility:** Open to residents of Georgia, South Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama and Florida. Only bonafide FFA and 4-H members are eligible. Rising 4-H'ers must be 9 years old by January 1, 2010 to compete. Any member who has graduated from high school is not eligible to compete except for those exhibitors competing in the Southeastern Regional Junior Maine-Anjou Show (see Heifer Section for specifics).
- Entry Fee's:** Entry fee's will be \$25/per calf. Entry deadline is June 1, 2009. Entries and fee's must be received (postmarks and faxed copies will not be accepted) no later than the close of business on June 1st. Send entries and fee's to: Georgia Junior Beef Futurity, Attention: Heather K. Shultz, Hoke Smith Annex #321-UGA, Athens, GA 30602. Make all checks payable to: Georgia Junior Beef Futurity. No late entries will be accepted.
- No more than two steers and three heifers can be entered in the show with no more than two heifers entered per class by exhibitor.
- Exhibitor's must maintain continuous full ownership, possession and provide primary care for their steer and or heifer by June 1st.
- An original registration certificate in the exhibitor's name (no farm name accepted) is required on all heifers at the time of check-in. No faxes will be accepted. Heifers and steers are required to be individually identified (tattoo, ear tag or brand).
- An official health certificate as required by Georgia Department of Agriculture regulations must accompany steers and heifers. (Refer to the 2009-2010 Georgia 4-H and FFA State Show Rules and Regulations for details). Out of state exhibitors may want to call the Georgia Department of Agriculture for regulations concerning out of state cattle: 404/656-3667.)
- Cattle will be tied on shavings; no straw allowed in the barn. Exhibitors will need to provide straw to bed tie-out's.
- Filling of steers and heifers with any substance, water included, is prohibited. False tailheads and false switches will not be permitted. All animals must be shown in their natural conformation, color and structure without alteration by modification except for the grooming and treatment of the hair and trimming of the hooves. No graphite, hair, cotton twine, etc. may be applied. The use of black paint is allowed but should not be applied where it interferes with the fitting of breeds that are not black. Paint should not be left on concrete floors, walls or where it is blown by fans.
- Drugs and Diuretics:** Administration of any drug of any kind or description internally or externally is prohibited, except for treating a recognized disease or injury as prescribed by a licensed veterinarian. For the purpose of these rules the term "drug" shall mean: any substance, the sale, possession or use of which is controlled by license under federal, state or local laws or regulations and any substance commonly used by the medical or veterinary professions which affect circulatory, respiratory or central nervous systems of an animal to include diuretics. The use of any diuretic for any purpose whatsoever on any animal in the show is prohibited. Show management reserves the right to take blood and/or urine samples for analysis of any animal. Any violators will be reported to the appropriate state and federal authorities.
- No butt-fans or cage fans are allowed. All fans must be attached to tie panel in stalling area and cannot be attached by extension to hang beyond 42 inches from tie panel. No dogs are allowed (Please leave them at home).

11. All exhibitors participating in showmanship must show their own animal. Exhibitors in showmanship will not be allowed to change their animal once the showmanship class starts.
12. The use of nose tongs will not be allowed to exhibit steers or heifers. Please leave unruly animals at home. If an animal gets away from exhibitor three times, the exhibitor will be asked to leave the show ring.
13. Each exhibitor must show his or her own animal unless the exhibitor has more than one in the same class or permission is give by the chairmen of the show. All substitute show persons must be a 4-H or FFA members and must be approved by the show chairmen.
14. No premium money is guaranteed by the Futurity.
15. If an exhibitor is disqualified from the Georgia National Fair or the Georgia Junior National Fair, the exhibitor is not eligible to compete in the Georgia Junior Beef Futurity if the Georgia Junior Beef Futurity falls within the designated 12 month or one complete show year (whichever is greater) disqualification.
16. Any protests against eligibility or adherence to these rules and regulations must be filed as a written, signed statement with the show chairmen accompanied by a \$25.00 cash deposit. If the protest is not sustained by the grievance committee the deposit shall be forfeited to the show committee. Protests will be accepted from 4-H or FFA exhibitors only.
17. The Georgia Junior Beef Futurity is hosted cooperatively between Georgia FFA and Georgia 4-H. You may contact the two coordinators: Ricky Wheeler, Central Region Area Livestock Teacher, rwheeler@gaaged.org or 478/289-2549 or Heather K. Shultz, Georgia 4-H Program Coordinator, Livestock, hkalino@uga.edu or 706/542-8892.

Heifer Information:

Classification of registered heifers is as follows:

Class 1: Senior heifer calves born after September 1 through December 31, 2008

Class 2: Junior heifer calves born after January 1, 2009

****No heifer born before September 1, 2008 is eligible.**

Class 3: Commercial heifers will be weighed but should conform to the ages listed above.

Minimum weight for commercial heifers is 400 lbs. with a maximum weight of 975 lbs. There will be no declaring of weights for commercial heifers or steers, and there will be no weigh back.

The following Breed Associations may be sponsoring heifer shows: Angus, Charolais, Chi-Influence, Hereford, Limousin, Maine-Anjou (Purebred), Maine Anjou (Percentage; Maine Tainers), Red Angus, Shorthorn, Appendix Shorthorn, Simmental (Purebred), Simmental (Percentage).

Note: Simmental heifers must be purebred to be eligible to compete as Simmentals. The Georgia Simmental Association is also sponsoring a Percentage Simmental Show for registered Simmentals that are less than purebred. There must be at least seven (7) heifers entered for the Simmental Association to sponsor this show, otherwise these heifers will be shown as Commercial and will need to be weighed.

Note: Maine-Anjou heifers will be shown as Purebred (3/4 or greater) and Percentage heifers will be shown as Maine Tainers (1/4 to 5/8). The Southeastern Regional Junior Maine-Anjou Show will be held in conjunction with the Futurity. A Southeastern Regional Junior Maine Anjou Show Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected. If the Champion and Reserve Champion from the Southeastern Regional Junior Maine Anjou Show do not meet the exhibitor age requirements for the Georgia Beef Futurity (graduated seniors are not eligible to compete), the judge will select an eligible heifer(s) to compete for Top Five Heifer honors.

Registered heifers will be shown by breed; however, breeds without a sponsoring association will show as "Other Breeds". Purebred breeds with less than seven (7) will be combined to "Other Breeds". If there are less than seven (7) Chi-Influence, Maine Tainers, Appendix Shorthorns, Percentage Simmentals will be weighed and shown as Commercial.

Each breed division will have a Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion and those two (2) heifers will then compete for the Overall Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion the final drive. Third, Fourth and Fifth Overall Heifers will be selected from all the Grand and Reserve Breed Champions.

Steer Information:

The Futurity is a Prospect Steer Show. Minimum weight is 400 lbs. and maximum weight is 975 lbs. Steers will be shown by breed and weight. Breed must be entered on the entry form. Three (3) classifiers will independently determine if a steer is entered correctly. If not, the classifiers will recommend an appropriate breed or the steer will automatically be moved to the crossbred class. The classifiers decision is final. Breeds with 10 head or more will be shown in at least two (2) classes.

Every effort will be made to have minimum weight ranges in each class as much as possible. Those breeds with less than five (5) head will be shown as All Other Breeds (AOB). Each breed division will have a Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion and those two (2) steers will then compete for the Overall Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion in the final drive. Third, Fourth and Fifth Overall Steers will be selected from all the Grand and Reserve Breed Champions.

Use the following breed codes on the official Futurity Steer Entry Form (this does not apply to heifers):

Angus- AN	Beefmaster- BM	Brahman- BR	Brangus- BG
Charolais- CH	Chi-Influence- CI	Crossbred- XX	Gelbvieh- GV
Hereford- HH	Limousin- LM	Maine-Anjou- MA	Red Angus-RA
Santa Gertrudis- SG	Shorthorn- SS	Simmental- SM	

Steer Classification Guidelines:

This will assist in entering your steer properly. These guidelines were developed by a committee of Ag. Ed. Teachers and County Extension Agents.

Continental Breeds:

Steers must show a predominance of characteristics indicating that the animal is approximately 50% or more of the breed entered. Continental breeds include (but are not limited to) Charolais, Chi-Influence, Gelbvieh, Limousin, Maine-Anjou, Simmental.

British Breeds:

Angus: Must show all the characteristics of the Angus breed; black in color with no white above the underline, or on leg, foot or tail. (White is allowed in front of the navel). Smooth polled, no scurs.

Hereford: Must show all characteristics of the Hereford breed. Freckles, eye pigmentation and line-backs are acceptable. Horned and Polled Herefords are eligible. (Horned steers must be dehorned).

Shorthorn: Must show all characteristics of the Shorthorn breed. Color should be red, white or red/white roan. Those steers classified as Appendix Shorthorns or are black or blue/white roans will show in the Crossbred Steer Class.

Red Angus: Must show all characteristics of the Red Angus breed. Smooth polled, no scurs.

Brahman Influence: Must show evidence of Brahman (or Brahman derivative) parentage.

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Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter Rules & Regulations

1. Due to maintenance crews working in the barns, short turnover times between events and the need to have health papers checked **no early arrivals** can be allowed on the grounds (including tie-outs).
2. **Bagged shavings** and **baled straw** are available on the grounds for purchase. They will be available until approximately 9 p.m. each evening. Any exhibitors arriving after that time may purchase shavings or straw the next morning at approximately 8 a.m.
3. All **RV reservations** are handled by the GNF Security Dept. and can be arranged for at the East Gate security building. An RV spot is \$22 per night and will be assigned and unlocked for you. You may call ahead and reserve RV spots for a particular event you will be attending.
4. **No dogs** are allowed on the Fairgrounds during the Georgia National Fair and the Georgia National Junior Livestock Show & Rodeo except guide dogs and dogs participating in demonstrations and/or competitions.
5. Use of **heaters** in the barns is discouraged. Any heater with an open flame is banned from the grounds.
6. No **cooking** is allowed inside or around the outside of the barns to comply with local fire codes. Coolers are allowed. Cooking may be done in parking lot, next to trailers.
7. **Generators** are not allowed in the barn areas or for operating RV/campers.
8. No **butt fans** allowed. No fans allowed in alleyways. All fans must be attached to tie panel in stalling area and cannot be attached by extension to hang beyond 42" from tie panel.
9. The use of **roller blades, roller skates, scooters**, or other unauthorized forms of transportation is prohibited on the Fairgrounds at all times.
10. Any motorized vehicle used on the grounds must be operated by a **licensed driver** (at least 16 yrs. Of age). The use of **golf carts, 4-wheelers** and the like is allowed only in designated livestock areas and only before 8 a.m. and after 8 p.m.