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# RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE NEW FARMERS OF AMERICA

## NATIONAL NFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

All certificates of entry for the National NFA Judging Contest must be sent each year to Director, Agricultural Education Branch, Office of Education, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Washington 25, D. C. All names of contestants and alternates must be submitted and in the Office of Education at least 10 days prior to the contest. All "certificates of entry" must be signed by the head State Supervisor of Agricultural Education.

Each State entering any team must certify one person to serve as an assistant in the contest. These persons must be supervisors, teacher trainers, or teachers.

### ELIGIBILITY OF CONTESTANTS

Boys who meet the following requirements are eligible for the NFA Contest:

1. Any boy is eligible who is under 21 years of age at the time of the national contest, who has had not more than 4 years of training in any approved course in vocational agriculture of less than college grade, and who is, at the time the contest is held, a member of the NFA member enrolled in an all-day class in vocational agriculture or has had an all-day class in vocational agriculture offered and carrying at least 3 units of regular high school credit. That a boy who has participated previously in any official national livestock judging contest shall not be eligible for the contest. If an ineligible boy is entered in the contest, the team of which he is a member shall be declared ineligible.

2. The members of any State team may be from either the same or different schools, the choice of plan to be determined by the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education. Team members shall be selected at a State or interstate contest held since the last national contest preceding the one in which they are entered.

### OFFICIAL JUDGES

1. Official judges will be selected by the general superintendent or his delegated representative.
2. The official judges shall make their placings in the same manner as is required of contestants with respect to handling animals.
3. The official judges will give their completed official placings and scores to the superintendent.
4. Placings by the official judges must be kept confidential until the contest is completed and public announcements are made.

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1. At the conclusion of the contest, all completed placings and scores shall be delivered to the chairman in charge of tabulation for scoring and tabulation.
2. The chairman in charge of tabulation will be used by the general superintendent to determine the rating of individuals and teams.
3. Results of contests will be made available to the general superintendent.
4. Results of contests for both individuals and teams will be announced at a general session of the Convention.

in cooperation with  
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Office of Education  
Department of Health, Education, and Welfare

Washington 25, D. C.



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# **RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE NATIONAL NFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST**

**SOUTHEASTERN FAIR GROUNDS  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA**

## **SECTION I—GENERAL INFORMATION**

**R. E. Naugher, Washington 25, D. C., General Superintendent**

All certifications of entry for the National NFA Judging contest must be sent each year to Director, Agricultural Education Branch, Office of Education, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Washington 25, D. C., so as to arrive in his office not later than September 15. (Certification blanks will be sent each year to State Supervisors of Agricultural Education prior to August 1.) All names of contestants and alternates must be submitted and in the Office of Education at least 10 days prior to the contest. All "certificates of entry" must be signed by the head State Supervisor of Agricultural Education.

Each State entering any team must certify one person to serve as an assistant in the contest. These persons must be supervisors, teacher trainers, or teachers.

## **ELIGIBILITY OF CONTESTANTS**

Boys who meet the following requirements are eligible for the NFA Contest:

1. Any boy is eligible who is under 21 years of age at the time of the national contest, who has had not more than 4 years of training in any approved course in vocational agriculture of less than college grade, and who is, at the time the team is selected by the State, a bona fide NFA member enrolled in an all-day class in vocational agriculture or has had all of the vocational agriculture offered and carrying at least 3 units of regular high school work, with the exception that a boy who has participated previously in any official national livestock judging contest, including national 4-H contests, shall not be eligible for the contest. If an ineligible boy is entered in the contest, the team of which he is a member shall be declared ineligible.

2. The members of any State team may be from either the same or different schools, the choice of plan to be determined by the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education. Team members shall be selected at a State or interstate contest held since the last national contest preceding the one in which they are entered.

## **OFFICIAL JUDGES**

1. Official judges will be selected by the general superintendent or his delegated representative.
2. The official judges shall make their placings in the same manner as is required of contestants with respect to handling animals.
3. The official judges will give their completed official placings and scores to the superintendent.
4. Placings by the official judges must be kept confidential until the contest is completed and public announcements are made.

## **TABULATION**

1. At the conclusion of the contest, all completed cards will be delivered to the chairman in charge of tabulation for scoring and tabulation.
2. The chairman in charge of tabulation will prepare lists of scores by teams and individuals. These tabulations will be used by the general superintendent to determine the rating of individuals and teams.
3. Results of contests will be made available only through the general superintendent.
4. Results of contests for both individuals and teams will be announced at a general session of the Convention.



5. Completed cards of individual participants will be available only to the chairman of tabulations and the general superintendent.
6. Following completion of all contests, each State Supervisor of Agricultural Education will receive for his State the individual scores for each class in each contest and the individual and team ratings of his contestants.

### REGISTRATION

Contestants will register from 9:00 A. M. to 3:00 P. M., on the day preceding the contest, at the Butler Street Y. M. C. A., Atlanta, Georgia. Dates and place of registration will be sent annually to the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education.

### MEETINGS OF INSTRUCTORS, TEACHER TRAINERS AND SUPERVISORS

Coaches of Livestock teams, and those assigned to assist with the contest will meet prior to the contest, at the Butler Street Y. M. C. A. in Atlanta, Georgia.

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

1. The general superintendent will be in charge of all contest arrangements.
2. He will enforce all rules and regulations governing the contest.
3. He will appoint all necessary assistants.
4. He will be responsible for the selection of animals or poultry for the judging contest.
5. He will have full charge of all activities during the period of the contest, and report any infraction of the rules to the National NFA Advisory Council.
6. He will give full instructions to contestants prior to the start of the contest.
7. He will collect all completed cards of contestants.
8. He shall select supervisors and teacher trainers to serve as group leaders and timekeepers and inform them of their duties and responsibilities. Instructors also may be selected to assist with the contest provided they do not come in direct contact with the contestants from their State during the contests.
9. He will provide opportunity for the official judges to place the animals and collect the official judges' cards.
10. When the contest is completed, the official judge will give reasons for his placings.

### SECTION II—GENERAL RULES

1. Each State team will be composed of three members.
2. Individual animals in all classes will be identified by numbers.
3. Oral reasons will not be required for any of the classes.
4. Teams will be divided into groups so that no two contestants from a State are in the same group.
5. Placing and grading cards will be furnished for each contest.
6. Any communication between contestants during a contest will be sufficient cause to eliminate the teams from the contest.
7. Any assistance given to a team member from any source during a contest will be sufficient cause to eliminate the team from the contest.
8. The contestants will be allowed 12 minutes to place each class.

### SECTION III—LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY CLASSES

The classes of livestock and poultry to be used for the National NFA judging contest are as follows:

1. BEEF CATTLE (Hereford and/or Aberdeen Angus)
  - (a) 1 Class of 4 animals ..... Cows
  - (b) 1 Class of 4 animals ..... Heifers or Yearling Bulls



## BEEF CATTLE—PLACING CARD—Form 12

Class Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class No. \_\_\_\_\_

Contestant Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant No. \_\_\_\_\_

Placings: 1st \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd \_\_\_\_\_ 4th \_\_\_\_\_

Tabulators' Score \_\_\_\_\_

Note: In breeding classes, consideration will be given to general appearance, breed type, quality, natural fleshing, constitution, and size or weight for age. In market classes, consideration will be given to type, finish, quality, and dressing percent. Perfect score is 50 points.

### 2. SWINE (Lard Type)

(a) 1 Class of 4 animals \_\_\_\_\_ Fat Burrows

(b) 1 Class of 4 animals \_\_\_\_\_ Gilts or Sows

## SWINE—PLACING CARD—Form 14

Class Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class No. \_\_\_\_\_

Contestant Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant No. \_\_\_\_\_

Placings: 1st \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd \_\_\_\_\_ 4th \_\_\_\_\_

Tabulators' Score \_\_\_\_\_

Note: In breeding, consideration will be given to general appearance, breed type, quality, natural fleshing, constitution, and size or weight for age. In market classes, consideration will be given to type, finish, quality, and dressing percent. Perfect score is 50 points.

### 3. DAIRY CATTLE (Jersey, Guernsey or Holstein)

(a) 1 Class of 4 animals \_\_\_\_\_ Producing Cows

(b) 1 Class of 4 animals \_\_\_\_\_ Heifers

## DAIRY CATTLE—PLACING CARD—Form 2

### TYPE

Class Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class No. \_\_\_\_\_

Contestant Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant No. \_\_\_\_\_

Placings: 1st \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd \_\_\_\_\_ 4th \_\_\_\_\_

Tabulators' Score \_\_\_\_\_

Note: In dairy classes, consideration will be given to general appearance and breed type, body capacity, dairy character condition. Perfect score is 50 points.

### 4. POULTRY

(a) 1 Class of 4 hens \_\_\_\_\_ (Dual Purpose type)

(b) 1 Class of 4 hens \_\_\_\_\_ (Egg type)

## EGG PRODUCTION—PLACING CARD—Form 8

### CULLING MATURE HENS

Class Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class No. \_\_\_\_\_

Contestant Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant No. \_\_\_\_\_

Placings: 1st \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd \_\_\_\_\_ 4th \_\_\_\_\_

Tabulators' Score \_\_\_\_\_

Note: When culling mature hens, consideration will be given to vigor, health, conformation, pigmentation, molt, and laying condition. Perfect score is 50 points.



#### SECTION IV—AWARDS

1. A total of \$1,000.00 has been provided by the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc., for the National NFA Livestock Judging contest.
2. Awards and ratings will be made to teams and individuals on the following basis:

High Team		High Individual	
(a)	\$210.00	(a)	\$60.00
(b)	150.00	(b)	55.00
(c)	105.00	(c)	50.00
(d)	75.00	(d)	45.00
(e)	60.00	(e)	40.00
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\$600.00 Sub Total			\$400.00
			600.00
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		Total	\$1,000.00

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