



Alberta YCSA Cattle Show – Rules 2020

1. General

- a) alcohol is prohibited
- b) Ages (Peewee Ages 6 and under) (Novice Ages 7-10) (Jr Ages 11-14) (Intermediate Ages 15-17 (Sr Ages 18-25 as of January 1 of that year)
- c) . Parent participation is strictly forbidden. Violations will result in immediate dismissal from the competition or event. Senior members are encouraged to assist younger members.
- d) The use of paint is prohibited throughout all competitions

2. Provincial Classic

- a) The Classic may consist of the following conformation classes in the Purebred/Fullblood divisions: Heifer Calf, Yearling Heifer, Bred & Owned Yearling Female, 2yr Old Female, Mature Female, Bull Calf, Yearling Bull.
- b) The Classic may consist of the following conformation classes in the Commercial division: Heifer Calf, Bull Calf, Yearling Heifer, 2yr Old Female, and Mature Female.
- c) Age of animals is based on January 1st of the competition year.
- d) All entries in the Purebred/Fullblood classes must provide a CSA certificate of registration upon arrival at Wild Rose classic
- e) Registered and Recorded cattle must have a legible tattoo which conforms to CSA records to be eligible. Tattoos may be inspected by show officials at time of arrival.
- f) All 2yr Old Females and Mature Females entered in the conformation classes must be accompanied by their natural calendar year calf(s).
- g) ET calves cannot be shown with their donor mothers.
- h) Recipient cows cannot be shown with ET calves.
- i) All yearling bulls must have a nose ring or a locking humbug.
- j) Purebred/Fullblood yearling females will be shown in either the purebred/fullblood yearling female class, or the purebred/fullblood bred and owned yearling female class.
- k) Substitutions of animals are allowed, but there will be an additional fee.

- l) For all commercial animals being shown: registration numbers, breeds and names of the sire and dam must be indicated on the entry form.
- m) If one animal in the cow calf unit is considered a commercial, it will show in the commercial division
- n) No artificial filling and/or use of tranquilizers will be allowed. Violation will result in immediate review by the Hearing Committee.
- o) All livestock entries must be stalled by the published move-in time on the published move-in date. Livestock release follows the awards ceremony.

3. Ownership Rules

- a) All entries in the Bred & Owned division must be bred by and owned by and registered as such under the entrants' name. A copy of the CSA registration paper must be provided during event registration.
- b) All entries, excluding Bred & Owned, must be registered to the entrant, entrant's immediate family or entrant's immediate family farm. A copy of the CSA registration paper must be provided during event registration.
- c) Cow-calf pairs must be entered under one AYCSA entrant's name

4. Alberta YCSA Competitions

- a) Entrants must have competed in all skill competitions to be eligible to compete in conformation, or be allowed to fit cattle

5. Participation

- a) It is mandatory for all participants to participate in all events and activities at the Wild Rose Classic
- b) excluding the costume class and the conformation classes. Participation points will be given for participating in the events. Entrants must be members of the YCSA

6. Team Grooming

- a) Novice and Juniors will be in random pairs within their age groups. Seniors and Intermediates will be individual. Pee Wee's will be paired with a senior.
- b) Participants will be given 20 minute to groom an animal.
- c) Any fitting prior to the commencement of the competition will result in disqualification of the team/individual.
- d) Teams must bring all of the necessary tools and products when entering the grooming area.

7. Showmanship

- a) Each entrant must use the same animal for all phases of the Showmanship Contest.
- b) Entrants may borrow an animal from another YCSA member for the Showmanship competition.
- c) The top 2 placing entrants from each age division are eligible to compete in the Supreme Final.

8. Judging

- a) The judging competition may be made up of any or all of the following components: oral reasons, written reasons, show-ring judging, visual identification, and EPD judging.
- b) Show team judging: You will be put into random pairs within your age category. One person will be required to be a judge and the other the ring person. Appropriate dress is required.
- c) Participants in show team judging will be scored individually and there will be an overall top ringman and top judge in each age category.
- d) Placing classes will be worth 50 points per class, reasons will be worth 50 points per class.
- e) Specific rules will be announced prior to each judging competition.
- f) While the competitions are in progress there shall be no conferring between contestants or between parents and/or advisors and contestants.
- g) Contestants must remain with their assigned groups throughout the entire contest unless otherwise directed by the YCSA Coordinator or an attending Show Official.

9. Sire Summary and Herdsman Quiz

- a) The quiz will consist of multiple choice and true/false questions.
- b) A maximum of 1 hour will be allowed.
- c) All necessary materials will be provided.
- d) Conferring with other contestants, use of notes or any other form of cheating will be grounds for disqualification of a contestant.
- e) Provincial Quizzes will be different than those at the National.

10. Public Speaking

- a) Contestants will speak on a pre-assigned topic.
- b) All contestants will be present in the competition area 15 minutes prior to the competitions scheduled start time.
- c) Speeches will be 3 to 7 minutes in length.
- d) Score: Knowledge 20%, Organization 10%, Presentation 40%, General Effectiveness 30%= 100%

11. Sales Talk

The Sales Talk uses a live setting complete with animal or a photo (no larger than 8X10) and potential buyer(s) being the judge(s). The purpose of this contest is to evaluate the effectiveness of the presentation and the contestant's ability to merchandise cattle.

- a) Contestants may use a heifer/cow or a photo (no larger than 8X10) as the subject of the Sales Talk.
- b) Contestants may use a heifer/cow other than their own. The contestant may hold or tie the heifer/cow, or have another entrant hold the animal during the talk. The heifer/cow is not to be fitted.

- c) Immediately preceding the talk, contestants will be required to provide the judges with a registration certificate for the animal being “sold”. The judges will use the registration certificate to evaluate the accuracy of pedigree and performance information provided by the contestant and to also ask questions.
- d) Scoring: Knowledge of the animal they are selling (25%), ability to relate important information about the heifer/cow (25%), organization and style (25%), poise and delivery (25%) = 100%
- e) Sales Talk will be 5-7 minutes in length. Time elapsed will be indicated during the contest so that contestants are aware of the time constraints.

12. Marketing

- a) Scenarios for all age categories will be given at the beginning of the marketing competition.
- b) This competition is done individually, conferring with other contestants, use of notes or any other form of cheating will be grounds for disqualification of a contestant.

13. Always Smiling Photography Contest

- a) One entry per exhibitor.
- b) Photo must be taken by the member exhibiting it.
- c) Photo must be unedited.
- d) Photos must not be larger than a 5X7, and are to be submitted without framing or presentation.
- e) photos must not have been previously submitted

14. Highpoint Competition

- a) Only an individual's highest placing in the Conformation Classes will score points. Conformation points are awarded only to the entrants name as seen on the entry form.
- b) Points cannot be transferred to other competitors in any manner.
- c) The High Point competition will be determined by points won in all competitions
- d) Pee Wee's will have participation prizes and no aggregate.
- e) Supreme High Point will be tabulated in the same manner. That competitor (excluding Novices) with the highest score will advance as the Supreme High Point recipient.
- f) At all Classics (National or Regional) the top 10 scores in each non-conformation competition will receive points. The highest score will receive 10 points with each subsequent score receiving one less point, down to 1 point for the 10th score. 1. 1st: 10 pts, 2nd: 9 pts, 3rd: 8 pts, 4th: 7 pts, 5th: 6 pts, 6th: 5 pts, 7th: 4pts, 8th: 3 pts, 9th: 2 pts, 10th: 1 pt. 2. To qualify for this award the member must participate in Sire Summary and Herdsman Quiz, Judging, and Showmanship classes.
- g) At all Classics (National or Regional) conformation division winners will receive 10 and 9 points and remaining class placings will receive points starting at 8 with each subsequent placing receiving one less point, down to 1 point for the 8th placing.

15. Ties

- a) Ties will be broken by comparing scores in the following events.
 - 1st Tie-breaker = Quiz

- 2nd Tie-breaker = Marketing
- 3rd Tie-breaker = Showmanship