



## STEER DIVISION RULES – 2024

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**Steer Judge – Jon Declerk**

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| <b>Tag-in:</b>        | <b>Monday – October 23, 2023</b> | <b>5:00 – 6:30 p.m.</b>            |
| <b>On-line Entry:</b> | <b>Monday, October 16, 2023</b>  |                                    |
| <b>Check-in:</b>      | <b>Thursday – April 25, 2024</b> | <b>4:00 – 5:30 p.m.</b>            |
| <b>Show:</b>          | <b>Friday – April 26, 2024</b>   | <b>30 minutes after Swine Show</b> |

- 1. Exhibitors must abide by all “Needville Youth Fair General Rules”.**
- Steers must be "officially entered" Monday, October 23, 2023 between 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., Steers will be weighed and the tag-in is the “official starting period” for all steers. **At “official check - in” in April, minimum weight of 900 pounds is required for animal to be eligible to show.** A 15 pound variance will be allowed at "official check-in".
- All steers will be nosed printed at tag-in. Family tagging will be allowed. This will be interpreted as "immediate family living in the same household". (i.e.: brothers, sisters, step brothers & sisters, half brothers & sisters). This does not include cousins, nieces or nephews. This rule applies to all market livestock divisions. All exhibitor's names must be submitted when animal is tagged in. Exhibitors may only bring ONE (1) steer to the Needville Youth Fair in April.
- NYF is slick shorn show. All steers will not have any hair length longer than ¼” on any part of the body, other than the center of the tail down. If any exhibitor’s steer is found to have excess hair from the steer officials of the Needville Youth Fair, the exhibitor will be disqualified and asked to remove their steer from the NYF grounds no more than one hour after check-in. An exhibitor will not be allowed to protest a hair length disqualification. There will not be any “touching up” after the steer has been checked-in and will not be allowed to return to the weigh-in area.
- No steer may be shown that has been artificially filled (stomach pumping) with any amount of any liquid at any time. Filling of steers by means of stomach pump or tube via the esophagus is prohibited once the animal enters the NYF facilities.
- Steers may be divided into as many as three (3) classes according to weight for judging purposes.
- NYF reserves the right to verify nose prints on any steers if deemed necessary. Nose prints not matching will become ineligible for show and not eligible for sale.
- The best fifteen (15) steers will make the sale.  
**AUCTION BUYERS SHALL NOT BE APPROACHED BY ANYONE TO BUY BACK OR ASKED THAT THEIR ANIMAL BE DONATED BACK TO THE EXHIBITOR.**
- The individual whose steer has the best rate of gain will receive an award.
- Animals may not be removed from the fenced area for any reason once they have been checked in.
- Steer exhibitors are required to secure their steers with a “neck rope” while in stall area.
- Steer exhibitors will be required to manage and control their steers upon arrival, during the exhibiting and placing of the steer. Exhibitor’s steer must walk through the auction portion of the show. If the exhibitor is unable to do so, the steer will become a non-sale steer. Any steer that cannot be safely controlled will be excused and sent home. Any assistance or help requested and/or required by the exhibitor regarding the management and control of their steer, will be provided at the discretion and approval of the steer chairmen.
- All decisions made by the Division Chairman and/or Co-Chairman are final.