



BUCKET CALF SHOW RULES - 2025

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Online Entry	January 4, 2025	
Tag in	Saturday, January 11, 2025	7:30 AM – 9:00 AM
Records	Thursday, April 3, 2025	5:30 PM-6:00 PM
Books Turn IN	NYF Creative Arts Building	
Check-in:	Sunday-April 27, 2025	1:00- 2:00 PM
Show:	Sunday- April 27, 2025	3:00 PM

The purpose of this program is to teach youth not old enough for a market project, the responsibility of raising and caring for a livestock project.

1. Exhibitors must abide by all "Needville Youth Fair Livestock General Rules". All decisions of the Needville Youth Fair Board of Directors are final.
2. This event is open to any youth age 5 - 8 as of April 24, 2025 and not showing any other project in the Needville Youth Fair. Residency rules listed in the Needville Youth Fair Livestock General Rules are applicable to this show.
3. There will be a \$20.00 entry fee which will be collected at the tag-in in January. The tag-in date is the official start of the project and is the **ONLY** day to sign up for the Bucket Calf Show.
NOTE: DO NOT BRING CALVES TO TAG-IN. Exhibitor must notify the Bucket Calf Chairman of intent to show no later than April 1, 2025.
4. Calves must be born between January 1, 2025 and March 1, 2025.
5. Exhibitors will be allowed to show only one calf. Each exhibitor must have their own calf.
Sharing calves is not allowed.
6. All calves must be on a bucket or bottle (NO NURSE COWS).
7. All calves must be halter broke. If a calf becomes uncontrollable and the child cannot handle the animal, they will be provided with assistance by the Junior Livestock Committee or the animal will be removed from the show ring for the safety of the other exhibitors.
8. Calves may be any sex or breed. However, Texas dairy cattle, regardless of age or sex, **MUST** be identified prior to movement in Texas.
9. All bucket calves will be assigned to a specific area upon arrival to be announced by the Bucket Calf Committee. All animals must be in place no later than 2:00 p.m.
10. There will be two show classes: 5–6 year old's and 7-8 year old's.
11. All exhibitors will receive prizes to be determined by the Bucket Calf Committee based upon the number of exhibitors.
12. Bucket calves are not eligible for the Needville Youth Fair Livestock Auction.
13. Exhibitors are required to keep their stall area clean while animals are on the Fairgrounds. No hay allowed.
14. Exhibitors age 5 - 6 will be required to turn in a picture record book. Exhibitors age 7 - 8 will be required to turn in a record book to familiarize them with the record book process. All record book forms will be provided by the Needville Youth Fair. Anything can be added to the record books but all original pages must remain in the book. Record Books must be handwritten by the exhibitor (when applicable). Prizes will be awarded for 1st through 3rd place in both age divisions.
Deadline to submit record books is Thursday, April 3, 2025. Exhibitors that do not turn in record books will not be allowed to show.
15. **All decisions made by the Bucket Calf Chairman and/or Co-Chairman are final.**