

**43rd Annual
MISSOURI CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION
ALL-BREEDS JUNIOR SHOW**

**Missouri State Fair Grounds, Sedalia, MO – June 11th-14th, 2026
GENERAL INFORMATION, RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Missouri Cattlemen's Association staff reserve the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations used to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, or differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, or connected with, or incident to, the show, and the right to amend or add to these rules. An exhibitor who violates any of the following rules will forfeit all privileges and fees.

ELIGIBILITY OF EXHIBITORS AND ENTRIES

1. Exhibitors are responsible for knowing and complying with all rules and regulations contained within this document. Any exhibitor who violates any of the rules may be subject to forfeit the ability show or other penalty ordered by the staff of the Missouri Cattlemen's Association (MCA).
2. All cattle are required to have a CVI and official identification in order to exhibit at the Missouri Cattlemen's Association All-Breeds Junior Show.
3. The Missouri Cattlemen's Association All-Breeds Junior Show is open to **Missouri residents** that are 8 years to 21 years of age as of January 1st, 2026, and are also a junior or collegiate member of the Missouri Cattlemen's Association. The exhibitors must be able to handle, show and control his/her entry in the show ring.
4. Heifers exhibited in any breed division must be born after September 1st, 2024, and prior to April 1st, 2026. **(Hereford exhibitors please see specific breed rules later in document)**. Bulls exhibited in any breed division must be born after January 1st, 2024, and prior to April 1st, 2026. In regard to cow-calf pairs, cows may have been born prior to September 1st, 2024, and calves may be not older than 270 days.
5. Rules for eligibility for each breed are outlined later in this document. All animals entered in the breeding classes must be registered by the respective breed association in the exhibitor's name prior to June 1st, 2026. Registration papers must be presented at check-in. Any animals without registration papers will be exhibited in the crossbred classes. If you have any questions about the eligibility of an animal, please contact your Junior Breed Advisor, Beef Breed Director or the MCA office.
6. Proof of registration must be provided upon request.
7. Any animal with a registration certificate must have a legible tattoo that matches that certificate.
8. When entering animals, please use a separate entry form for each different exhibitor.
9. The entry fee of \$30 per head must be postmarked by Friday, May 22nd, 2026; a late entry fee of \$40 per head will be assessed on late entries. Any incomplete entries, illegible entries, entries with no money, and entries with returned checks will all constitute a voided entry.
10. A \$10/head bedding fee will be charged in accordance with the Missouri State Fairgrounds bedding policy.
11. There will be no reimbursements for entries after May 22nd, 2026. Reimbursements for canceled entries before this date will be made in amount of the entries, bedding fee, Steak Fry tickets, and dorm fees only. No reimbursements will be made for membership fees.
12. All animals must be registered/checked-in by 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 11th. Market steer and heifer weigh-in will be held Friday, June 12th, from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
13. Use Gate 4 when entering the grounds (North Side of State Fairgrounds).
14. Barns will be available for stalling Thursday, June 11th, at 8 a.m. No animals or tack will be permitted on the fairgrounds prior to this time. Any animals and/or tack on the fairgrounds prior to Thursday at 8 a.m. will incur a fee of \$100/head of cattle or \$100/stall space used in the barn for tack in accordance with the contract agreement with Missouri State Fairgrounds.
15. Tie-outs will ONLY be allowed North of the Charolais and Simmental barns inside of the fence and the east side of the road of Gate 4.
16. Any animal may be subject to a visual inspection by a qualified veterinarian.

17. Cattle will be released following the selection of the champion steer for each breed.
18. Exhibitors are responsible for their own feed for livestock. Tie out bedding will not be provided.
19. Exhibitors using the dormitory will be responsible for their own bedding, towels, etc.
20. Neither MCA nor the participating breed associations will be responsible for any loss or injury to livestock, equipment or persons.
21. Points will be awarded to each exhibitor according to the MCA Points Program Rules. To view the full set of rules for 2026 or for questions visit www.mocattle.com.

RULES OF EXHIBITION

22. Each entry must be shown by its owner. If an owner cannot show his/her own animal, written permission must be obtained from MCA for another junior member to show the animal **at least one week prior to the show**. Exceptions will include showmen who become sick or injured the day of the show or exhibitors who have two or more animals per class. When an exhibitor has two or more animals in one class, the additional entries must be shown by other exhibitors showing in the MCA All-Breeds Junior Show or an immediate family member (Immediate Family being: Father, Mother, Brother, Sister).
23. Each individual breed is responsible for providing any awards and/or prize money for winners. MCA provides Showmanship Awards for all breeds, including crossbreds. In addition, MCA will provide the Overall Top 5 awards for Bull, Female and Market. Overall Prizes will be as follows:
 - Grand Bull- \$400 Reserve Bull- \$350 3rd Bull- \$250 4th Bull- \$200 5th Bull- \$100
 - Grand Female- \$500 Reserve Female- \$400 3rd Female- \$300 4th Female- \$200 5th Female- \$100
 - Grand Market- \$300 Reserve Market- \$250 3rd Market- \$200 4th Market- \$150 5th Market- \$100
24. Market heifers will be shown by weight. All market heifer classes will take place following the selection of the Champion and Reserve Champion Crossbred Steer on Sunday, June 15. Champion Market Heifer will show against all breed champion steers for the selection of the Overall Champion Market Animal.
25. Steers and Market Heifers must be dehorned to be eligible to show. Scurs are allowed.
26. All steers will be shown by weight in their respective breed division. No minimum number will be required for a class.
27. Market heifers need to present a 30-day non-pregnancy verification. note signed by an accredited, licensed, non-owner veterinarian at the time of check-in. If the verification cannot be produced the exhibitor can produce an accredited, licensed, non-owner veterinarian to examine the market heifer on the grounds of the Missouri State Fairgrounds, and verify the non-pregnant status of the market heifer. Without the signed verification or on-site physical verification the market heifer will be disqualified from the market show but can be shown in the breeding show.
28. **ALL BULLS 1 YEAR OF AGE AND OLDER MUST SHOW WITH A NOSE LEAD.**
29. Showmanship will be judged during each respective breed show. Breed winners will come back to compete for Supreme Showman for their respective age divisions. Supreme Showmanship will be judged prior to the Grand Champion Bull Drive.
30. Showman may show any of their exhibited cattle during Supreme Showmanship. Animals may be fully fit.
31. Grand Champion Drives will be held following the selection of the Champion Market heifer. Grand Champion drives will be held in the following order; Grand Champion Bull; Grand Champion Female; Grand Champion Market Animal.
32. In order to maintain a high degree of confidence in the MCA All Breeds Junior Show, the MCA staff reserves the right to disqualify any animal that has been fitted in an unethical fashion. Unethical fitting shall include any injection of gas, air or other foreign substances, solid or liquid under the skin, as well as any cutting or tearing of the hide or underneath the hide for removal of tissue in any attempt to alter the shape of the individual as well as the attaching to the hide foreign objects including hair or hair substitutes, cloth or fiber for the purpose of deception. Any animal found to have surgical alterations other than dehorning or castration will be disqualified. Any attempts to change the degree of firmness of any individual shall also be considered unethical. Pumping or

artificial means of filling animals internally is prohibited.

33. T-shirts are included in the price of registration for each exhibitor. T-shirts must be worn by exhibitors when in the show-ring, including during showmanship. Extra t-shirts may be sold following registration.
34. The three-strike rule will be enforced. The third time that an exhibitor loses control of their animal in the show ring, they will be removed from the show.
35. Entry numbers will be assigned for each animal exhibited during the All-Breeds Junior Show. Exhibitors MUST have the corresponding entry number in their show harnesses or clips for each entry. If using a show harness, exhibitor numbers should be placed in the front pocket.
36. The MCA, staff, representatives and volunteers will not be responsible to any person, individual, corporation or association for any loss by fire, theft, damage or personal injury sustained by anyone through the negligence of any person or group of persons, exhibits or exhibitors while participating at a MCA show or function

BREED ELIGIBILITY RULES

Angus - Heifers and Steers must be 100% Angus and have registration certificates that are in the name of the Junior Exhibitor and only the Junior Exhibitor, in hand at the time of Check-In. These animals must have readable tattoos and exhibitors must follow the rules and guidelines set forth by the American Angus Association.

Charolais and Charolais Composite - Heifer registration certificates must be in the junior exhibitor's name. Purebred heifers must show an AICA registration certificate. Composite heifers must be composed of at least 50% and no more than 15/16 parentage and must have an AICA recordation certificate. Steers do not require a registration certificate but must exhibit physical characteristics of an animal that is at least 50% purebred Charolais. Both steers and heifers will follow percentage guidelines set forth by the American International Charolais Breeders Association.

Chianina - All percentages of Chianina that can be registered are eligible—full blooded requires 100% Chianina blood and purebred requires no less than 15/16—provided that the sire and dam are registered in the America Chianina Association registry.

Gelbvieh and Gelbvieh Balancer - Heifers must be 75% or greater Gelbvieh and have registration papers. The AGA allows 25% to 75% Gelbvieh, 25% to 75% or red Angus, with up to 1/8th other or unknown ancestry as a Balancer.

Hereford - All heifers must conform to the rules and regulations set forth by the American Hereford Association and have proof of registration in the junior exhibitor's name at check in. Hereford Steers are required to have an official Steer Certificate issued by the American Hereford Association. **All senior calf and yearling calf entries can be born after August 1, 2023.** Steers must be out of a registered Hereford bull and a registered or commercial Hereford cow. There will be no separation of Polled and Horned Hereford animals.

Limousin - Females with 75 percent or greater Limousin blood and orange NALF registration papers born from Sept. 1, 2023, to January 31, 2025, will be eligible to compete in the Limousin female show. Females registered as Lim-Flex® having purple NALF registration papers are eligible for the Lim-Flex Female show. All steers that qualify for registration with the North American Limousin Foundation as a percentage, purebred or Lim-Flex® will be eligible for the steer show. All percentages will show together and be split based on weight.

Maine Anjou - Only those Maine Anjou Heifers, which are 75% or greater Maine Anjou and recorded with the American Maine Anjou Association, will be allowed in the Maine Anjou show. Steers must be recorded in the exhibitor's name with the AMAA.

MaineTainer - MaineTainer females must be a minimum of 1/4 Maine Anjou and range up to 5/8 Maine Anjou. All females falling below 1/4 Maine Anjou requirement will be shown in the Crossbred Division, and all that are over 3/4 Maine Anjou will show in the purebred division.

Red Angus - To qualify for exhibition in the purebred Red Angus show, animals must have qualifying paperwork that would include Category 1A (100%) or Category 1B (87% through 99%) registration. All animals in Category 1A and Category 1B will show together in the

same class.

Percentage Red Angus - To qualify for exhibition in the percentage Red Angus show, animals must have qualifying paperwork that would include Category 2 or Category 3 registration. Category 2 registrations must have a sire or dam that are registered Red Angus and Category 3 registrations must be at least 50% red hided and poled, no black hided or black animals. All animals in Category 2 and Category 3 will show together in the same class.

Salers - Must be sired by a registered Salers bull and be at least 50% Salers. Heifers must have proof of registration available for verification at check-in.

Simmental - Heifers must have 7/8 or greater Simmental blood and be recorded by the American Simmental Association. Steers must be 50% or greater Simmental. All animals must have registration papers available for verification at check-in. Champion and Reserve Heifers and Steers are subject to blood tests to confirm percentage.

Foundation Simmental – All Foundation Simmental females must be a minimum of 1/2 Simmental and be sired by both an ASA registered sire & dam. This includes percentage Simmental animals registered as SimSolution, SimAngus, and Simbrah. All heifers that fall below 1/2 will show in the Crossbred division, and all that are 7/8 Simmental and greater will show in the purebred division. All animals must have registration papers available for verification at check-in.

Shorthorn and Shorthorn Plus – Shorthorn heifers and steers both must be 15/16 Shorthorn or higher- no exceptions. Both steers and heifers must have registration certificates in hand at check in. Shorthorn Plus heifers and steers must be a minimum of 1/2 Shorthorn and can be up to 15/16 Shorthorn. All animals must have registration papers available for verification at check-in.

Crossbred – Heifers and steers that do not meet qualifications to be registered by any specific breed and any animal that does not have official breed registration papers will be considered and shown as crossbreds.

All Other Breeds – Animals meeting qualifications to be registered, have official breed registration papers, and have less than 10 other animals registered in the breed will be considered and shown as All Other Breeds.

For more information or with questions, please contact:

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