



2017 INTER-COUNTY 4-H DAIRY CATTLE JUDGING COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS



JULY 26th – LINDSAY FAIRGROUNDS

1. Junior Division

- for contestants 12-15 years of age (as of Jan. 1/2017)
- two members per team
- contestants will judge all nine (9) classes
- contestants will give oral reasons on three (3) classes
- contestants will complete written quiz
- counties may enter as many junior teams as they wish or enter individual participants

Senior Division

- for contestants 16-21 years of age (as of Jan. 1/2017)
 - two members per team, counties may enter as many senior teams as they wish or enter individual participants
 - the overall individual senior division champion will be ineligible to compete again. Previous trip winners can compete in the competition but will not be eligible to participate in team trips to a National or International dairy cattle judging competition.
 - contestants will judge nine (9) classes and give oral reasons on six (6) of these classes.
 - contestants must complete written quiz
 - the top four (4) eligible individual contestants from the senior division will represent Ontario at the 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Competition held in Madison at the time of the 2017 World Dairy Expo (approximate travel dates are September 29th to October 7th).
2. To participate in the competition, contestants must be an Ontario 4-H member enrolled in a 2017 dairy calf club/dairy judging club project. Teams consist of county calf club members unless part of a regional judging club.
 3. This competition has been designed to be a team competition ~ two (2) juniors for junior teams and two (2) seniors for senior teams. We are not encouraging individual entries, however an individual contestant would be accepted if it is impossible to find a team member. Individual contestants would not be eligible for any team awards. Entry fee for an individual contestant will be \$30. Individuals may not team up from other counties.
 4. The written quiz will be based on general information in the most current dairy cattle judging manual "You be the Judge". The manual that was updated in 2012.
 5. Registration entry fee is \$50 per team. Entries must be received at the Ontario Holstein Branch office by Monday, July 17, 2017. The Ontario Joint Dairy Breeds Committee will pay the entry fee for one or two teams per county, if that county has had at least two/four 4-H dairy calf club members attend a Dairy Cattle Evaluation Clinic (Judging Conference) in the current year.
 6. Each contestant must do their own work or they will be disqualified from the competition. Use of cell phones and cameras will not be permitted during the competitive part of the day.
 7. In the case of a tie, the highest score on reasons will determine the winner. If there is still a tie, the highest score on placings will determine the winner. If a tie still exists, the highest score on the quiz will determine the winner.
 8. Contestants will be allowed 15 minutes on Reason classes and 10 minutes on Non-Reason classes.

9. Each contestant must submit a signed 4-H Ontario Participant Agreement form before the start of the competition (which covers the media release, health and Safety and Code of Conduct forms).
- ⇒ 10. The contestants will not be allowed to wear any clothes that would indicate person, farm or county origin. The only identification allowed will be that which is given to the contestants on the day of the competition. **Appropriate dress code for a youth event is in effect. No muscle shirts, halter tops, etc.**

11. Banquet Dress Code: *Casual dress, however no shorts or cut-offs will be allowed.*

12. Contestants are expected to remain for the banquet to complete the competition and be eligible for any prizes or opportunities to judge at World Dairy Expo.

13. In the case of any disputes on the day of the competition, the Inter-County 4-H Judging Competition Committee's decision will be final!

14. Tentative Agenda

Date: Wednesday, July 26th

8:00-9:00 a.m.	Registration at Lindsay Fairgrounds
9:00-9:45 a.m.	Quiz
9:45-12:30 p.m.	Judge 9 classes
12:30-1:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:30-3:30 p.m.	Reasons
3:30-3:45 p.m.	Official Reasons
4:30 p.m.	Banquet – <u>Please note dress code</u>

Accommodation

A block of rooms have been booked at the HOWARD JOHNSON, 354 Lindsay St. South, Lindsay, ON K9V 4R5 for Tuesday, July 25th, 2017. Reservations: 705-324-0317 or 844-277-0666. Please state that you are attending the Inter-County competition. Room rates: 2 Queen beds \$75/night, 2 Double beds \$65/night.