TO: 2020 FFA Beef Cattle Exhibitors

FROM: FFA Entry Department

Thank you for choosing to exhibit at the 2020 Fair Special Edition: 4-H and FFA Livestock show. We are thrilled to offer an opportunity for you to exhibit your livestock. Please keep in mind there are some big changes this year.

- **EVERY person (6 years and older) entering the Fairgrounds MUST** have a wristband.
- Each exhibitor has been mailed 3 wristbands (per session exhibiting). If you have not received your wristbands by August 3, please contact the Entry Department.
- No admission or parking fees will be charged at the gate.
- Please refer to the map included with the wristbands to see which gate to enter and where to park your trailers. It changes slightly each weekend. Maps can also be found online: ([https://www.iowastatefair.org/participate/competition/how-to-enter/#ffa](https://www.iowastatefair.org/participate/competition/how-to-enter/#ffa)).
- Exhibitors will be allowed to load out and leave after completing their classes. No release forms will be necessary for 2020 shows.

Beef cattle may arrive beginning at 8 a.m. on Thursday, August 6th and must be in by 2 p.m. All FFA Beef cattle will arrive off of University Avenue thru the North Lot.

Upon arrival please take your animals' health certificates to the Veterinary Office for approval. Health certificates must be examined, approved and stamped by the veterinarian in the Veterinary Office prior to animals being checked in. **Veterinary office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., please plan your arrival accordingly.** Health Certificates not completed properly will be denied and the owner will be required to obtain a new certificate at owner’s expense. The Iowa State Fair must be listed as the destination.

**Reminder: Each chapter will be limited to one set of stall dividers.**

Please read the rules and regulations listed in the Premium Book. A few rules to note:

- Cable halters will not be allowed in the show ring.

- All FFA exhibitors are expected to conduct themselves in a cooperative and courteous manner while participating in FFA events at the Show.

- At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises medication of any kind is to be administered to livestock animals by an Official Show Veterinarian ONLY. If an FFA exhibitor or his/her assistant administers a shot or medication, this exhibitor shall be barred from showing and premiums will be taken away.

- **No drugs or medications of any kind may be administered at the Fair except by the order of the Official Show Veterinarian.** All animals will be subject to chemical testing and analysis of saliva, urine, blood, other excretions or tissues to determine whether a substance or drug has been induced or whether a substance or drug has been introduced to interfere with the testing procedure. Positive tests will result in immediate disqualification of the animal, forfeiture of ribbons, trophies, premiums and sale prices. The exhibitor of that animal and the exhibitor’s family may be barred from participation in future Iowa State Fairs.

- **THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS AND THE PRESENCE OF DRUG RESIDUE IS PROHIBITED.** Exhibitors may not use stimulants of food or beverage products that may contain stimulants such as caffeine.
• Please be courteous and cooperate with other exhibitors so that everyone’s electrical needs can be met. Exhibitors found to be using excessive electrical outlets will be asked to discontinue use by the superintendent. Failure to comply with this request in a timely manner shall subject the exhibitor to disciplinary action.

• ALL breeding cattle must have official individual identification and be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection that lists official identification. Examples of acceptable official identification are: a USDA approved alphanumeric tag, Brucellosis (calfhood) vaccination tag, or purebred registry tattoo, or USDA approved RFID or 840 series tag.

REMINDER: In coordination with Metro Waste Authority, the Iowa State Fairgrounds will dispose of waste livestock bedding as a compostable material. In addition to being environmentally friendly, this program puts our waste to a better use and helps reduce disposal costs. We need the help of exhibitors, superintendents, and attendees to make this program successful. Please make sure to keep bedding clear of unaccepted material such as paper, cans, show supplies, feed bags or leftover food that could disrupt the composting process. Your cooperation is much appreciated!

If you have any additional questions, please contact the FFA Entry Department by phone at 515-262-3111 ext. 246 or by email ffa@iowastatefair.org.

Thank you and good luck at the 2020 Fair Special Edition!

SCHEDULE
Thursday, August 6
8:00 a.m.    Beef may arrive (Cattle Barn)
1:00 - 6:00 p.m. Health paper, registration paper and drug affidavit check in
2:00 p.m.    Beef must be in

Friday, August 7
9:00 a.m.    Breeding Beef health and registration papers must be checked in
9:00 a.m.    Check in Breeding Beef (check tattoos, weigh commercial heifers)
Noon        Exhibitor Meeting (Livestock Pavilion)

Saturday, August 8
10:00 a.m.   Breeding Beef Show (Pavilion) - Bulls, Cow-Calf Units, Registered Heifers, Commercial Heifers, Selection of Supreme and Reserve Supreme
After Show   Beef released
7:00 p.m.    Beef must be out