

2016 Cow Camp Information and Study Guide

This year's Cow Camp Competition first round will take the form of a team stockmen's contest. There will be five stations for each division where team will display their knowledge of NALF, the Limousin breed, and common cattle practices and tools. Station questions and skills will be tailored to the age level of contestants with the difficulty increasing with age of the contestant. Each station is worth a value of 20 points for a total contest value of 100 points. Below is a short description of each station to help focus teams preparations and studying for the contest.

History of the Limousin Breed and NALF

This station will focus on the breed history, the history of NALF, and current facts about NALF and NALJA. Those looking for information should consult the book "The History of Limousin in North America" and past issues of the Limousin World.

Equipment Identification/Cattle Anatomy

This station will involve equipment that showmen and cattlemen deal with on a day-to-day basis covering tools for the showing and care of cattle. There will be a word bank for younger exhibitors. A portion will also concern identification of parts of cattle.

Breed Identification

Contestants will have to identify different breeds of cattle based on pictures presented. A word bank will be available for younger participants. Older participants will have to supply additional information on the breeds. A list of breeds on OK State University's website will be a useful study guide.

Adjustable Rope Halter Tying

As stated in the Spring Issue of the NALJA news, participants should be familiar with an adjustable rope halter. Younger participants will not be tested on making a halter but will have to display ability to handle a rope halter. The older division will be tested on their ability to make a functioning adjustable rope halter within the designated time limit. Rope will be provided and participants will be judged on the halter quality. A set of instructions are included.

Calf Processing

Participants will have to tattoo and tag an "ear" according to a set scenario.