

MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE

North American Limousin Foundation Standard Rules & Regulations for the Exhibition of Limousin and Lim-Flex® Cattle

Level II

2017

1. Animals must be registered with the North American Limousin Foundation (NALF).
2. **All cattle shown including calves at the side of the dam must be:**
 - A. **75% Limousin (NALF percentage, not actual) or greater as indicated on orange NALF registration certificates**
 - OR**
 - B. **Purple-papered Lim-Flex cattle as indicated by NALF registration certificates.**

Percentage, fullblood, purebred and Lim-Flex cattle shall compete in the same classes and championships.

3. If a show does not abide by the NALF MOE show rules exhibitors will not be awarded points for that show.
4. Animals must be properly tattooed and will be inspected at the show. Tattoos must be legible and match the registration certificates. If an animal's tattoo is not legible or cannot be read upon initial processing, it will be ineligible to show and not be allowed to return with a new or corrected tattoo.
5. To maintain a high degree of confidence in Limousin shows NALF reserves the right to disqualify any animal that has been fitted in an unethical manner. Unethical fitting shall include the following:
 - a) Any use of paints, colored show foam, graphite, colored powders or other substances; animals may be subject to a white-towel test;
 - b) The addition of any hair or hair like substances, including false tail heads and false polls (false tail switches are allowed);
 - c) The cutting, tearing or gluing of the hide or underneath the hide or removal of tissue in an attempt to alter the shape of the animal or the injection of any gas, solid or liquid under the hide to alter the normal conformation;
 - d) Any products, solutions or liquids administered internally or externally to alter the conformation of the animal is prohibited. That includes the use of steroids, growth stimulants and the act of artificially filling animals internally, which would include stomach pumping, drench tubes or any other method.

EXCEPTION: In the case of severely sick or dehydrated animals, the exhibitor may have fluids or electrolytes administered by the licensed official show veterinarian with the approval of the show superintendent or a NALF representative. That exception is not applicable on show day or weigh-in/check-in day.

6. Bulls older than one (1) year must show with a nose lead. The Limousin show superintendent and the show management reserve the right to disqualify animals deemed unmanageable.
7. Protests against exhibitors, individual animals or fitting violations must be submitted in writing, signed by five (5) active members of the NALF and presented to the show superintendent within 12 hours of the show's completion.
8. NALF reserves the right to mouth animals for dental development.
9. NALF reserves the right to collect hair samples from any animal.
10. Class size shall be to the discretion of the show superintendent and may not contain more than 20 head. The given classes may be split or combined only within their given division.
11. Calves exhibited alongside dams in the cow-calf division are eligible to show as individuals.
12. Animals shown must be solid red or black above the flanks, excluding birth marks.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

The following performance-data-submission requirements must be met by Dec. 1 to receive Medal of Excellence points.

- a. Birth weight (bulls and heifers)
- b. Weaning weight (bulls and heifers)
- c. Yearling weight (bulls and heifers)
- d. Yearling scrotal circumference
- e. Pregnancy test (females older than 600 days at season's end)
- f. Breeding Soundness Exam and semen test (bulls older than 400 days)

NOTE:

Failure to have performance data on file at NALF will result in disqualification from the MOE program and no points will be awarded. It is the responsibility of the breeder/owner/exhibitor to submit that information without special requests from NALF.

Credibility Requirement:

To maintain a high degree of integrity and credibility in all Limousin shows, all owners and exhibitors are expected to adhere to all NALF rules and regulations regarding the exhibition of Limousin cattle and to adhere to rules and regulations of particular shows, fairs and exhibitions.

MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE POINT DISTRIBUTION

Number of entries shown MOE points awarded

51 entries and above :

1st in class 15 points
2nd in class 13 points
3rd in class 11 points
4th in class 9 points
5th in class 7 points
6th in class 5 points
7th in class 4 points
8th in class 3 points
9th in class 2 points
10th in class 1 point

Division Champion 15 points
Division Reserve 12 points

Grand Champion 15 points
Reserve Grand 12 points

26 to 50 entries shown:

1st in class 10 points
2nd in class 8 points
3rd in class 6 points
4th in class 4 points
5th in class 2 points

Division Champion 10 points
Division Reserve 8 points

Grand Champion 10 points
Reserve Grand 8 points

25 entries shown and under:

1st in class 5 points
2nd in class 4 points
3rd in class 3 points
4th in class 2 points
5th in class 1 point

Division Champion 5 points
Division Reserve 3 points

Grand Champion 5 points
Reserve Grand 3 points

MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE LEVEL II SHOW CLASSES

**THE FOLLOWING CLASS AND DIVISION BREAKS ARE SUGGESTED
FOR SHOWS OCCURRING JAN. 1 – JUNE 30, 2017**

FEMALES:

1. Junior Heifer Calf
Calved on or after Nov. 1, 2016
2. Early Junior Heifer Calf
Calved between Sept. 1 and Oct. 31, 2016
3. Late Junior Heifer Calf
Calved between July 1 and Aug. 31, 2016

Division I Champion Female & Reserve Champion Female

4. Senior Heifer Calf
Calved between May 1 and June 30, 2016
5. April Junior Yearling Female
Calved between April 1 and April 30, 2016
6. March Junior Yearling Female
Calved between March 1 and March 31, 2016

Division II Champion Female & Reserve Champion Female

7. Junior Yearling Female
Calved between Jan. 1 and Feb. 28, 2016
8. Late Yearling Female
Calved between Nov. 1 and Dec. 31, 2015

Division III Champion Female & Reserve Champion Female

9. Fall Yearling Female
Calved between Sept. 1 and Oct. 31, 2015
10. Summer Senior Yearling Female
Calved between July 1 and Aug. 31, 2015

Division IV Champion Female & Reserve Champion Female

11. Senior Yearling Female
Calved between May 1 and June 30, 2015
13. Spring Yearling Female
Calved between March 1 and April 30, 2015

14. Early Senior Yearling Female
Calved between Jan. 1 and Feb. 28, 2015

Division V Champion Female & Reserve Champion Female

GRAND CHAMPION AND RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

Division I, II, III, IV, V Champion & Reserve Champion Division's competing

COW/CALF Division

Cow/Calf Pair: Cows must be purple-papered Lim-Flex or at least 75% (3/4) Limousin with natural calf at side.

Calf must be registered Limousin, percentage Limousin or Lim-Flex and not more than 250 days old on date of show. *Class may be broken into two or more classes at the discretion of show staff.*

GRAND CHAMPION AND RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION COW/CALF

BULLS:

1. Junior Bull Calf
Calved on or after Nov. 1, 2016
2. Early Junior Bull Calf
Calved between Sept. 1 and Oct. 31, 2016
3. Late Junior Bull Calf
Calved between July 1 and Aug. 31, 2016

Division I Champion Bull & Reserve Champion Bull

4. Early Senior Bull Calf
Calved between May 1 and June 30, 2016
5. Spring Yearling Bull
Calved between April 1 and April 30, 2016
6. Early Spring Yearling Bull
Calved between March 1 and March 31, 2016

Division II Champion Bull & Reserve Champion Bull

7. Junior Yearling Bull
Calved between Jan. 1 and Feb. 28, 2016
8. Late Senior Yearling Bull
Calved between Nov. 1 and Dec. 31, 2015

Division III Champion Bull & Reserve Champion Bull

9. Senior Yearling Bull
Calved between Sept. 1 and Oct. 31, 2015
10. Summer Senior Yearling Bull
Calved between July 1 and Aug. 31, 2015

Division IV Champion Bull & Reserve Champion Bull

11. Spring Senior Yearling Bull
Calved between May 1 and June 30, 2015
12. Two-year Old Bulls
Calved between Jan. 1 and April 30, 2015
13. Three-year Old Bulls
Calved between Jan. 1, 2013 and Dec. 31, 2014

Division V Champion Bull & Reserve Champion Bull

GRAND CHAMPION AND RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Division I, II, III, IV, V Champion & Reserve Champion Divisions competing

Champions will be selected as follows:

FEMALES

Division I, II, III, IV, V Champion and Reserve Champion
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Female

BULLS

Division I, II, III, IV, V Champion and Reserve Champion
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion

GROUP CLASSES

Produce-of-Dam:

Two (2) head shown in individual classes produced by one dam. May be owned by different exhibitors. Both sexes may be represented.

Junior Get-of-Sire:

Three (3) head shown in individual classes calved on or after Sept. 1, 2015. Both sexes represented. Can be owned by multiple exhibitors.

Senior Get-of-Sire:

Four (4) head shown in individual classes at any age. Both sexes represented. Can be owned by multiple exhibitors.

Breeders Best 5 Head:

Five (5) head shown in individual classes any age. Must be bred by and owned or co-owned by a single exhibitor. Both sexes may be represented.

**THE FOLLOWING CLASS AND DIVISION BREAKS ARE SUGGESTED
FOR SHOWS OCCURRING JULY 1 – DEC. 31, 2017**

FEMALES:

1. Spring Heifer Calf
Calved on or after March 1, 2017
2. Junior Heifer Calf
Calved between Jan. 1 and Feb. 29, 2017

Division I Champion Female & Reserve Champion Female

3. Winter Heifer Calf
Calved between Nov. 1 and Dec. 31, 2016
4. Senior Heifer Calf
Calved between Sept. 1 and Oct. 21, 2016

Division II Champion Female & Reserve Champion Female

5. Late Summer Yearling Female
Calved between July 1 and Aug. 31, 2016
6. Summer Yearling Female
Calved between May 1 and June 30, 2016

Division III Champion Female & Reserve Champion Female

7. April Junior Yearling Female
Calved between April 1 and April 30, 2016
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Calved between March 1 and March 31, 2016
9. Junior Yearling Female
Calved between Jan. 1 and Feb. 28, 2016

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10. Late Yearling Female
Calved between Nov. 1 and Dec. 31, 2015
15. Fall Yearling Female
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16. Summer Senior Yearling Female
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10. Senior Yearling Bull
Calved between May 1 and Aug. 31, 2015

11. Two-year Old Bulls
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