

Individual Sweepstakes Points

A) Exhibiting Animals

1. 100 points per animal shown (300 points maximum)

2. Exhibitors showing animals in the owned female, cow-calf pair, bred and owned female, bull, and/or steer shows will receive points for placing in the class according to the following schedule:

1st: 30 points	4th: 15 points
2nd: 25 points	5th: 10 points
3rd: 20 points	

3. 100 bonus points will go to all cattle exhibitors who meet the May 15 early-entry deadline with no errors, have all registrations and transfers completed, and have pre-registered for all of the satellite events in which they plan to participate. North American Limousin Junior Association (NALJA) members who are not exhibiting cattle but are participating in satellite events also can earn the bonus points if they pre-register by May 15.

B) Showmanship

1. Exhibitors who participate in showmanship will receive 100 points.

2. The champion in each age division will receive 75 additional points; all others in the top ten for their division will receive 50 additional points.

C) Satellite Events

NALJA members must compete in the same age division across all contests, **except showmanship**, where past champions must move up. Ages will be the individual's age as of Jan. 1, 2017. Members must enter all individual satellite events by June 1, 2017. Entries made at the event will not be excepted.

Novice: 5-9 years of age

Junior: 10-13 years of age

Intermediate: 14-16 years of age

Senior: 17 and up

D) Sales Talk, Photography, Judging and Magazine Advertisement Contests

1. Each contestant will receive 100 points for participation in each event.

2. Points will be awarded in each age division according to the following schedule

1st: 100 points	4th: 50 points
2nd: 80 points	5th: 40 points
3rd: 60 points	

3. At the conclusion of the National Junior Limousin Show and Congress (NJLSC), sweepstakes participants may request their scores and copies of their score sheets for each event in which they participated. Participants may request only their own scores. NALJA will not release other participants' scores.

4. NALJA will use the following criteria to break any ties within the top 10 sweepstakes finalists: (a) who participated in more satellite events; (b) who exhibited more animals; and (c) who placed higher in their satellite events.

State Sweepstakes Points

Base points will go to each state by dividing the total number of points awarded to exhibitors from a state by the number of exhibitors from the state.

A) Herdsmanship

1. 100 points will go to each division winner.

2. Two divisions, small states and large states, will be determined at the show by the number of cattle exhibited per state. There will be an equal number of small and large states.

B) Best State Group of Females, Limousin Beef Cook-Off, Cow Camp, Team Fitting and State Posters

1. Each participating state will receive 100 points towards the State Sweepstakes.

-Cow Camp will only receive participation points

2. Additional points will go to the following placings:

1st: 100 points

2nd: 75 points

C) Sales Talk, Speaking, Judging, Photography and Magazine Advertisement Contests

1. Each participating state will receive 100 participation points per contest.

2. Points will go to the highest-placing team or contestant from each state in each age division according to the following schedule:

1st: 100 points 4th: 50 points

2nd: 80 points 5th: 40 points

3rd: 60 points

D) Combined State Teams

NALJA will pro-rate participation and placing points for combined state teams. Regardless of age divisions, the maximum participation points possible are 100 points per state per event.

Judging Contest

A) Time: Tuesday, July 4 at 3 p.m.

B) Divisions: Novice, Junior, Intermediate and Senior as described under Individual Sweepstakes Points. There also will be an Adult division.

C) Registration: All contestants must pre-register by June 1 using the standard entry form.

D) Rules:

1. A team shall consist of the top three scores from each state in any age division (excluding Adult) making up the team. No individual may be on more than one team.
2. There will be four cattle classes (2 classes for novice division); contestants will have 8 minutes to evaluate each class. 2 classes will have question 5 questions each (50 points possible) to be used as a tie breaker. Classes may have performance data and a scenario. There will be no written or oral reasons on any class.
3. While the contest is in progress, there will be no talking among contestants. **Contestants may not talk to anyone else except the group leader. Violation will result in disqualification.**

Magazine Advertisement Contest

A) Time: Competitors must deliver their entries to the appropriate table by the end of check-in on Sunday, July 2. NALJA members not attending the show may compete by completing the entry form and must submit their entries to the NALF office no later than June 1. NALJA will display the advertisements throughout the NJLSC.

B) Divisions: Novice, Junior, Intermediate and Senior as described under Individual Sweepstakes Points.

C) Rules:

1. Each contestant is to design a magazine advertisement that meets the topic specified for the current year's contest. The advertisement can be no larger than 8.5 by 11 inches. Exhibitors must print their name, address and satellite-event age division on the back of their entry.
2. Novice entries must be handmade and not computer generated. Junior entries may be handmade or computer generated. Intermediate and senior entries must be computer generated. Contestants should laminate their advertisements or cover them with clear contact paper.
3. One entry per contestant.
4. Topics for the contest follow:

2017 topics for the magazine advertisement contest

Novice and Junior divisions: "2017 NJLSC."

Intermediate division: "Promote any single animal."

Senior division: "Promote any ranch, program or sale."

Photo Competition

A) Time: Competitors must deliver their entries to the appropriate table by the end of check-in on Sunday, July 2.

NALJA members not attending the show may submit their entries to the North American Limousin Foundation (NALF) office no later than June 1.

B) Divisions: Novice, Junior, Intermediate and Senior as described under Individual Sweepstakes Points.

C) Categories: Photo submissions will be divided and judged in two categories: cattle and non-cattle

D) NALJA Participant Rules

1. ONE ENTRY PER CONTESTANT.
2. Photos may be black and white or color. They must be 8 by 10 inches. All entries must be mounted on foam board, no matting or framing allowed. The exhibitor's name, address and satellite-event age division must be on the back of the entry. Photos cannot be altered or digitally enhanced in any way. **No text is allowed on the photo or photo mount.**
3. Photos become the property of NALJA. By entering, participants agree that NALJA and NALF may use the photos in publications and promotions.
4. The photo contest will count toward sweepstakes points and standings. NALJA will award prizes.

E) Adult Division Rules

1. Photos may be black and white or color. They must be at least 8 by 10 inches but no larger than 8 by 12 inches. All entries must be mounted on foam board, no matting or framing allowed. The exhibitor's name, address, category and "adult division" must be on the back of the entry. **No text is allowed on the photo or photo mount.**
2. Photos cannot be altered or digitally enhanced in any way.
3. Photos become the property of NALJA. By entering, participants agree that NALJA and NALF may use the photos in publications and promotions.

Quiz Bowl

A) Time: Preliminaries - Monday, July 3, Seniors: 8am, Juniors 10 am, Finals - Thursday, July 6, 4 p.m.

B) Divisions: Junior (13 and under), Senior (14 and over)

C) Registration: A team consists of three or four individuals. Teams are registered by their state advisors at 11:30 am Sunday, July 2

D) Rules:

1. The quiz bowl will be a single elimination tournament, with the first round pairings and byes drawn at random. Questions will cover the beef cattle industry in general and the Limousin breed specifically.
2. Each round will include 10 toss-up questions, each worth 10 points. Any contestant on either team may answer a toss-up question, but the contestant first must press the buzzer and gain recognition from the quizmaster.
3. The quizmaster reads a toss-up question until the question is completed or a contestant buzzes in.
4. If a contestant buzzes in while the quizmaster is reading, the quizmaster stops immediately, and the contestant must begin an answer within five seconds. (Contestants should remember some toss-up questions will have more than one part so buzzing in early can hurt the team's score).
5. If the first responding contestant's answer is correct, that team receives 10 points and gets a chance at a bonus question. On the bonus question, the teammates may confer for 10 second before the team captain gives the quizmaster their answer. Each bonus questions is worth 10 points.
6. If the first responding contestant's answer is incorrect, the quizmaster will repeat the toss-up question for the other team. An individual on the other team must buzz in before answering the question. The other team cannot confer on the toss-up question.
7. If neither team answers a toss- up question correctly, the quizmaster goes to the next toss-up question.
8. After the 10th toss-up question, a team will get a 25 point bonus if all four team members answered a question correctly during that round

Sales Talk

A) Time: Wednesday, July 5, 3 p.m.

B) Divisions: Novice, Junior, Intermediate and Senior as described under Individual Sweepstakes Points.

C) Registration: All contestants must pre-register by June 1 using the standard entry form.

D) Rules:

1. Contestants will have the opportunity to "sell" one of their own animals. Contestants who are not exhibiting may borrow another junior's animal if the other junior is not using it in the contest.
2. Contestants should have in mind how their animals rank in relation to the buyer's situation. They then will meet the "buyer" (the judge) individually and present their sales talks about how their animals fit the buyer's given situation. Contestants also should be prepared to answer the buyer's questions about their animals. Each contestant gets five minutes to talk to the buyer.
3. The sales talk should be an informal discussion between the contestant and the buyer (judge). Contestants should be prepared to discuss performance information and visually appraised traits as they relate to the buyer's situation. No formal preparation is necessary.
4. Seniors will be given a scenario to use in the contest. The scenario will be sent after the June 1 entry deadline.

Showmanship Contest

A) Time: Thursday, July 6, 8 a.m.

B) Registration: All contestants must pre-enter by June 1, 2017 using the standard entry form.

C) Divisions: Novice, Junior, Intermediate and Senior as described under Individual Sweepstakes Points. Classes will be split after check-in and will be posted on Tuesday.

D) Rules

1. Exhibitors must enter by the late entry deadline (June 1, 2016); entries will not be accepted at the show.
2. Exhibitors must show their own animals who are entered in the show.
3. First round heats will be sorted by age and posted on Wednesday morning. Secondary heats may be used at the judge's discretion. Ten finalists will compete for champion showman in each division.
4. No animals should be fitted. The ring will NOT be split for showmanship. Seniors will show first followed

by intermediate, junior and novice. The top ten senior finalists will return 30 minutes after the conclusion of the novice, junior and intermediate divisions.

Seniors will have 30 minutes to fit their own animals, which will be wet down before the contest. After fitting the animals, the contestants will show them.

5. Individuals who have won a division are no longer eligible to compete in that division. Past novice, junior and intermediate showmanship winners must advance to an older division.

6. Exhibitors must wear the official show shirt and official showmanship number during the contest.

7. Any substitution of deviation will be at the discretion of the NALJA board and its advisors.

State Display Board

A) Time: Each state must deliver its entry to the check-in table by the end of check-in on Sunday, July 2. States without members attending the show may submit their entries to the NALF office no later than June 1. NALJA will display the boards throughout the NJLSC.

B) Divisions: All states will compete in the same division.

C) Rules:

1. The tri-fold display must be 36 inches tall, have a 24 inch center and 12 inch flaps on each side.
2. Each display should promote or highlight the state's junior association and programs. The display should fit the theme of the current NJLSC, "Escape to Grand Island" All materials must be attached to the board. The use of computer generated graphics will be allowed. The states name and contact representative must be printed on the back of the display.
3. One entry per state.
4. Displays become the property of NALJA. By entering, states agree that NALJA and NALF may use the display for any publication or promotion.
5. The state display contest will count toward state sweepstakes points.

State Herdsmanship

A) Time: The herdsman ship judging begins Monday, July 3, at 8 a.m. and continues through noon Friday, July 7.

B) Divisions: After check-in, NALJA will assign the states to one of two categories (large or small) based on the number of cattle each state checks in.

C) Rules:

1. States will be judged throughout the aforementioned period.
2. Judging for state herdsman ship will be based on the following criteria:
 - a) General neatness and tidiness of each exhibitor's area within each state's area.
 - b) How well the state maintains its alley.
 - c) How well all exhibitors from a state maintain their cattle.
 - d) Creativity of aisle theme and décor.
3. Any state that has a decoration display beyond standard cattle equipment occupying stall or aisle space will be disqualified.
4. Any state that violates the official show rules or barn rules will be disqualified.
5. Points will go to each division winner and will count toward the final point total for the state sweepstakes award.

Team Fitting

A) Time: Thursday, July 6 at 2 p.m.

B) Registration: Teams are registered by their state advisors at 11:30 am Sunday, July 2.

D. Rules:

1. All contestants must be members of both NALJA and the state association they are representing
2. Teams will consist of four members with a least one member from each of the junior, intermediate and senior divisions as described in the Individual Sweepstakes Points. If a state has 21 or more junior members (based on the count of juniors checked in), NALJA will allow it two teams. NALJA will allow states with fewer than 21 juniors one team. If a state does not have enough members to make a team, it may form a team with another state's members if that state does not have a team in the contest already.
3. NALJA will allow substitutions among teams members as follows.
 - a) A junior team member may substitute for an intermediate or senior team member
 - b) An intermediate team member may substitute for a senior team member.
 - c) Seniors may not substitute for another age division
4. A two or three person panel will judge the team fitting contest.

5. Each team must provide the following.
 - a) Its own animal for fitting. A heifer, bull, steer or cow may be used.
 - b) All supplies needed, including a chute, blower, clippers, adhesive, etc.
6. A contest official will spray each animal with water before the contest begins.
7. Each team will get 20 minutes to fit its animal. If the number of entries warrants it, there may be two heats so the judges have enough time to evaluate all of the teams thoroughly and fairly. In the case, they will select one overall winner from both heats.
8. When time has expired, one team member will parade the animal before the judges.
9. After the judging, the judges will make comments and announce the winner.

Virtual Carcass Contest

A) Time: Tuesday, July 4, 30 minutes after the selection of the champion Lim-Flex female. All steers will be brought back to a central chute to be ultrasound scanned.

B) Divisions: All Progress steers will compete in the same division

C) Rules:

1. All steers shown in the Progress Steer division are eligible to participate and they will be automatically entered. Each exhibitor has the option to opt out of the contest.
2. Steers will be ultrasound scanned and placed based on their calculated carcass value (\$/cwt) with total carcass value used to break ties. Grid is based off of the week's prior USDA market report. Grid is shown below.

2017 OFFICIAL PRICING GRID

Base Price: \$167.00
 Ch/Select Spread: \$20.00
 Grade Base: 64.7%

CODE		\$/CWT	PREM/DISC	KEY
1	Prime/CH Spread	\$8.00 Premium	\$ 15.06	aPYG: Adjusted Preliminary YG aFAT: Adjusted Fat Thickness REA: Ribeye Area HCWT: Hot Carcass Weight KPH: % Kidney, Pelvic and Heart Fat Marbling: Marbling Score: 100= Practically Devoid 200= Traces 300= Slight 400= Small 500= Modest YG: USDA Yield Grade QG: USDA Quality Grade
2	Upper 2/3 CH/Choice Spread	\$5.00 Premium	\$ 12.06	
3	CH-		\$ 7.06	
4	SE		\$ (12.94)	
5	Standards	\$20.00 Under Select	\$ (32.94)	
0	None		\$ -	
10	Commercial/Heiferette	\$20.00 Under Select	\$ (32.94)	
20	Dark Cutter	\$25.00 Below Base Price	\$ (25.00)	
30	Hard Bone	\$25.00 Below Base Price	\$ (25.00)	
40	Bull/Stag	\$25.00 Below Base Price	\$ (25.00)	
50	Over 30 MOA	\$10.00 Below Base Price	\$ (10.00)	
C1	YLD Grade 1 Choice & Better	\$5.00 Premium	\$ 5.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cattle are sorted and ranked by value/cwt • Choice/Spread used will be quoted spread by USDA on previous week close • Ties are broken on gross dollar after value/cwt determined • Base price used will be weekly 5-state average of the previous weeks fed cattle trade as quoted by USDA • A standard dressing percentage of 63% will be used to determine HCW since cattle are not actually harvested
C2	YLD Grade 2 Choice & Better	\$3.00 Premium	\$ 3.00	
C3	YLD Grade 2.5-2.99 Choice or Better	\$1.50 Premium	\$ 1.50	
S1	YLD Grade 1 Select	\$1.00 above Select 3	\$ 1.00	
S2	YLD Grade 2 Select	\$.50 above Select 3	\$ 0.50	
S3	YLD Grade 2.5-2.99 Select	\$0.25	\$ 0.25	
101	YLD Grade 3.0-3.49	\$0	\$ -	
102	YLD Grade 3.5-3.99		\$ (5.00)	
104	YLD Grade 4	\$15 under YG 3	\$ (15.00)	
105	YLD Grade 5	\$25 under YG 3	\$ (25.00)	
535	535/Down	\$20.00 Below Base Price (CH YG3)	\$ (20.00)	
900	900-949	\$1.00 Below Base Price (CH YG3)	\$ -	
950	950-999	\$2.00 Below Base Price (CH YG 3)	\$ -	
1000	1000/UP	\$20.00 Below Base Price (CH YG 3)	\$ (20.00)	