

LIVESTOCK ETHICS

1. **Take Personal Responsibility** to avoid engaging in unethical behavior yourself. One 4-H club and one county stock show at a time, we can improve the situation.
2. **Teach Sound Ethical Principles** to the young people in your charge. Honesty, integrity and treating others the way you would like to be treated are examples of ethical principles that can and should be taught to 4-H members.
3. **Establish Local Zero Tolerance Policies.** Lay down a policy of “zero tolerance” of unethical behavior. No one should get hurt when local officials and supporters communicate a zero tolerance policy. Not only is it the “right thing to do”, but it can also give the vast majority of honest agents and teachers an “out” when people put pressure on them to bend the rules.
4. **Communicate Rules.** Exhibitors and parents need to be made aware of the rules from the start of the project. This is important so there is no misunderstanding when retribution is handed out.

CODE OF PRACTICE

I believe that my participation in the 4-H Youth Livestock Program should demonstrate my own ability, knowledge, and skill as a feeder and fitter of livestock. I will follow South Dakota 4-H Rules regarding Animal Preparation (See your State 4-H Fair Book.)

I will not use abusive or questionable techniques in the feeding, fitting and showing of my animals. I will not resort to fraudulent, illegal, or deceptive practices when fitting them for show. I also will not allow my parents or any other adult to employ such practices to my animal.

I will read and understand the rules of all livestock shows in which I am a participant. I ask that my parents and others working with me on my project animal not break the rules or make exception on my behalf. I wish for my livestock project to be an example of how to accept what life has to offer—good and bad—and how to live with the outcome.

I realize that I am responsible for:

- The proper care and treatment of my animals,
- The production of wholesome food,
- The development of sound moral character in myself and others.

Any violation of the Code of Practice may cause the exhibitor from exhibiting at the show, and future shows, and will lose premiums.

Exhibitor: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____



Northeast 4-H Calf Show

February 15, 2020

Watertown Winter Farm Show



This Show is for 4-H members enrolled in the beef project in Brookings, Clark, Codington, Day, Deuel, Grant, Hamlin, Kingsbury, Marshall, Roberts, and Spink Counties.

Five calf divisions:

Division 1	British Breeding Heifer
Division 2	Continental/Commercial Breeding Heifer
Division 3	Market Heifer
Division 4	British Market Steer
Division 5	Continental Crossbred Market Steer

Showmanship Contest will follow the Show. The top three showmanship champions names go into a drawing for the “Jordan Mack Memorial” halter.

1. Calves must be born after January 1, 2019 and be the members' 4-H project.
2. The show will be at **1:30 p.m. or immediately following the Sheep Show** on Saturday, February 15. All entries must be weighed in by **noon**. Calves may be brought to the barn **after 4:00 p.m. on Friday, February 14**, and taken home following the show.
3. Steers will be weighed and placed into classes by number and weight. Heifers will be placed in classes according to age. Calves will be weighed and entered from **10:00 a.m. until noon** on Saturday, February 15.
4. There is an entry fee of \$20.00 per animal and it must accompany your entry form on the day of the Show. There is no limit on the number of entries a member can have in the show.
5. All animals must be halter-broke and able to lead and tie.
6. All animals must have a health certificate from a licensed veterinarian within 30 days of the show and must be free of any contagious disease such as warts, ring worm, etc.
7. Wood chip base is furnished. **No straw allowed.**
8. **A signed Code of Practice form must be returned for each exhibitor.**
9. Fitting is optional, except any grooming material that changes the color, conformation, or appearance of the animal will not be allowed. Violators will be dropped one placing and will not be eligible for premium money. Washing facilities are available. All exhibitors must be with their animal when it is washed, fit, or groomed.
10. Awards: Plaques will be awarded in five divisions to the grand and reserve champions. Entry money, less any show expense, will be paid back according to class placing. In addition, the overall Grand Champion Steer and Heifer will each receive \$100 and Reserve Champion Steer and Heifer will each receive \$75.
11. All decisions of the 4-H Calf Show committee, judge and veterinarian are final.



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(Brookings, Clark, Codington, Day, Deuel, Grant, Hamlin, Kingsbury, Marshall, Roberts, Spink)

Please Print Legibly

Exhibitor Name: _____

Address: _____ County: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ 4-H Age: _____ (Age as of 1/1/2020)

E-mail: _____ Beg Jr Sr (circle one)

Breeding Heifer:

Division 1 or 2	ID: _____	Breed: _____	DOB: ____ / ____ / 2019
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Market Heifer:

Division 3	ID: _____	Weight: _____
Division 3	ID: _____	Weight: _____
Division 3	ID: _____	Weight: _____

Steer Entry:

Division 4 or 5	ID: _____	Breed: _____	Weight: _____
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Division 4 or 5	ID: _____	Breed: _____	Weight: _____
Division 4 or 5	ID: _____	Breed: _____	Weight: _____
Division 4 or 5	ID: _____	Breed: _____	Weight: _____

Entry Fee: \$20.00 per calf Total Entry Fee \$ _____

Paid: Check # _____ Cash

Checks Payable to: **CODINGTON COUNTY 4-H LEADERS**

Pre-registration is NOT required. You may, however, complete this form and bring it to the show with you for faster check-in. Be sure to sign the Code of Practice on the backside. Don't forget your Health Certificate.