

## 2026 Miniature Hereford Junior National Association Event Rules

### **Registration, Entry and Fees**

#### **All attendees at the Miniature Hereford Jr Nationals Association Chillicothe, MO agree to the following rules:**

Entries will open April 20, 2026, through May 26, 2026. Individual entry forms and required fees must be submitted by May 26, 2026.

ENTRY FEES ARE \$85 PER ENTRY - Bedding is included

*Bred/Owned doesn't pay bedding fee twice*

Extra Bedded Stall \$85 – limit of 2 per exhibitor

All fees are nonrefundable.

The areas of competition (contests & show) in which an individual will participate must be designated at time of entry. Cattle, Showmanship, Fitting, Judging, Sales Talk, Speech, Photography and Arts and Crafts.

All animals must be registered with the AHA, have parent verified DNA on file and transferred on or before the entry deadline to be eligible to show.

All entries must be in place in the barn by June 21, 2026 at 8am.

Release will be after the Premier Exhibitor Announcement on June 25<sup>th</sup> 30 minutes after the completion of the show. Exhibitors can depart at the end of the show Wednesday & Thursday but would prefer no loading out an hour prior to or during the show. Please be respectful to those who are still showing.

There will be no premiums paid to MHJNA event exhibitors.

The MHJNA 2026 Rules will supersede any previous published rules for our Show.

#### **Eligibility:**

Participants must have reached their 3rd birthday by June 20, 2026.

Participants must not have reached their 22nd birthday by January 1, 2026.

No participant will be discriminated against due to a physical, emotional, or mental handicap. The only request is to specify on the entry form and communicate needed accommodation in advance. Approval of assistance will not be given based solely on the age of the exhibitor.

Cattle must have been born after May 31, 2024, and be registered with the American Hereford Association. Exhibitor's name must be listed on the animals "registration certificate" as owner or co-owner as of entry deadline.

Cattle cannot be exhibited by more than one exhibitor, even if that animal is co-owned with a sibling, relative or other; nor can the same animal be shown in both the Junior & Pre Jr-Show.

Youth not exhibiting an animal are still eligible to participate in the contest for a \$25 fee; this includes a T-shirt. **A separate completed entry is required for the exhibitor.** All youth must meet age requirements.

## **Competition and Awards:**

Pre-Junior: 3-7

Junior: 8-11

Intermediate: 12-15

Senior: 16-21

Pre-Junior Division exhibitors must be 3 years old on or before June 20, 2026, and not have reached their 8th birthday prior to January 1, 2026.

Junior Division exhibitors must be 8 years old on or before January 1, 2026, and have not reached their 12th birthday prior to January 1, 2026.

Intermediate Division exhibitors must be 12 years old on or before January 1, 2026, and have not reached their 16th birthday prior to January 1, 2026.

Senior Division exhibitors must be 16 years old on or before January 1, 2026, and have not reached their 22nd birthday by January 1, 2026.

To receive awards, exhibitors should attend the awards ceremony, **June 24, 2026**. Prizes and awards will **NOT** be shipped if they are not picked up at the banquet. Awards will be presented to the top 5 participants for each age group and for all contests. Prizes for Arts & Crafts, Sales Talk, Speech, Photography, Fitting and Judging will be awarded at the **Wednesday night** meal. Herdsman of the Year and Premier Exhibitor will be presented 30 minutes after the conclusion of the show on **June 25, 2026**.

## **Health Requirements for Cattle:**

All cattle must meet the health requirements and present Health papers at check-in. All questions regarding health requirements should be directed to your local or state veterinarian. Be aware that interstate travel with show cattle now requires a government approved permanent identification tag (EID).

## **Conduct and Liability:**

**The MHJNA show is a family event. Any false representation, interference, or unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of any attendee will be dealt with by the MHJNA Board according to the equities of the case. If any attendee interferes in any way with the judges or shows disrespect to them, or to the show staff, fellow exhibitors and families, the MHJNA may withhold any awards or take any other steps deemed desirable.**

All Pre-Junior/Junior members in attendance at the MHJNA event are expected to conduct themselves in a manner becoming of a Junior Member. Violations of the above standard include, but are not limited to misrepresentation of animals, vandalism, theft, fighting, unsportsmanlike conduct, failure to comply with the directives of officials, being in possession or under the influence of intoxicating beverages or other prohibited substance on or about the grounds, or unwillful violation of rules.

All parents, family members, mentors and guests of junior exhibitors in attendance at the MHJNA event are expected to conduct themselves in a manner becoming an adult, a leader and a role model. Role models are expected to act in an ethical and respectful manner in their interactions with exhibitors, committee representatives, Litton Agri-Science Center, and others at the event. Violations of the standard can result in the disqualification of their Exhibitor.

All persons making entries in the show, participating, or attending this event, do so at their own risk and agree to abide by all the rules and regulations as stated and will not hold the Miniature Hereford Junior Nationals Association or the Litton Agri-Science Center, or any person's or companies associated with this event responsible for any and all accidents/theft to any person, animal, article or personal property.

If all requirements are not met, the MHJNA Board reserves the right to disqualify any entries.

### **In the Barn:**

Cattle will be stalled on common bedding provided upon arrival. Exhibitors may top dress, but straw is not permitted in the barn.

Porta coolers are allowed but must be operated using the exhibitor's own generator, and water sources may not be tied up. Generators must be placed outside the barn and are recommended.

To help ensure adequate space for all exhibitors, we strongly discourage adding unnecessary entries solely to secure additional stall space. We work hard to allocate appropriate space for both cattle and tack, and excess entries often result in unused prizes and additional waste.

Extra bedded stalls may be purchased for \$85 (limit of 2 per exhibitor); however, all extra stall purchases are subject to availability. In the event space becomes limited, the show management reserves the right to reduce or eliminate extra stalls, with a full refund issued for any stalls not provided.

For safety reasons, dogs are not allowed in the showring or in the dining area. If a dog becomes disruptive or a nuisance, the owner will be asked to remove it from the premises. Dog owners assume all liability. Dogs must remain under the immediate and effective restraint of a responsible person and kept on a leash; dogs may not be loose on the fairgrounds.

### **Cattle Show - General Rules:**

All entries showing at the Miniature Hereford Junior Nationals Association (MHJNA) event must be registered by the American Hereford Association (AHA).

### **Height and Weight Measurement Policy**

All cattle will be officially weighed and measured at the time of check-in. All measurements shall be conducted on a hard, flat surface with the animal properly restrained in a chute. Loin measuring, free-standing measurements, or any alternative positioning will not be permitted under any circumstances.

#### **Maximum Allowable Hip Heights:**

- Heifers and Cows: 45 inches
- Steers and Bulls: 48 inches

In cases where an animal measures near the maximum allowable height, the MHJNA Board reserves the right to obtain multiple measurements to ensure precision and consistency. The final measurement recorded by show officials shall be considered conclusive and is not subject to appeal.

Exhibitors presenting animals that are close to the maximum height limits acknowledge and accept the inherent risk that the animal may measure out at the time of check-in. **KNOW YOUR HEIGHT BEFORE LEAVING HOME!**

Each Exhibitor may bring and exhibit an unlimited number of entries to the MHJNA event, but will only receive Premier Exhibitor points for their top 3 entries.

All animals will have tattoos checked. Tattoos that are missing, illegible, altered, incorrect/or in any other way

disagree with the registration paper will not be eligible to show.

**CHECK TATTOOS for accuracy BEFORE LEAVING FOR THE MHJNA EVENT!**

Substitutions may be made only in the name of the original exhibitor/recorded owner as listed on the entry form. To submit a substitution please email [contact@MHJN.org](mailto:contact@MHJN.org) no later than June 12, 2026.

All cattle will need to be stalled and tied out in designated areas.

**DNA Requirements**

The MHJNA Board reserves the right to DNA any cattle being shown. Should testing reveal that the animal has been misrepresented on its registration papers, the exhibitor will be disqualified from the MHJNA event.

DNA will be required for all cattle.

All cattle entered are required to have parent-verified DNA on file with AHA by the entry deadline. Additionally, calves shown off the side of a cow-calf pair in an individual class must also have parent-verified DNA on file by the entry deadline, unless the calf was born after January 1, 2026.

**Pre - Junior Show Exhibitors (3-7y/o):**

Pre-Junior exhibitors may have **one assistant**, who may be a parent, adult, sibling, or Junior exhibitor. The exhibitor must handle the animal and the show stick independently. Only **one show stick** may be used, and it must always remain in the exhibitor's control.

The assistant's role is **safety only**. Limited assistance in leading is allowed **only when necessary** and only long enough for the exhibitor to regain control (e.g., stopping the animal for setup). Assistants may not help with setting up the animal, take the halter, or use the show stick. The Pre-Junior exhibitor must remain attentive and actively engaged at all times.

Failure to follow these guidelines will result in one verbal warning. A second violation will result in removal from the class. A group appointed by the MHJNA Board will monitor assistant involvement.

Pre-Junior exhibitors may choose to compete in the Junior Show, but must then participate in all Junior divisions and contests, earning Premier Exhibitor points as a Junior. If an animal is shown in the Pre-Junior show, a sibling may not show the same animal in the Junior show.

Exhibitors must show their own animals unless excused by the MHJNA Board due to illness or injury. A substitute must be a Pre-Junior if the animal was entered in the Pre-Junior show. Exhibitors with multiple animals in the ring at once must use another Pre-Junior exhibitor as a substitute.

Show management may dismiss any animal that becomes disruptive or poses a safety risk. Exhibitors are allowed two attempts to regain control of a loose animal; on the third occurrence, the exhibitor and animal will be excused.

The MHJNA Board reserves the right to combine or split classes and divisions as needed.

### **Junior Show Exhibitors (8-22 y/o):**

Exhibitors must show their own animal independently. Only the exhibitor is allowed in the ring with the animal. Parents, adults, or other exhibitors are not permitted to assist in the ring unless pre-approved by the MHJNA Board at least 24 hours prior to the show.

Exhibitors must show their own animals unless excused by the MHJNA Board due to verified illness or injury. If a substitute is approved, the substitute must be a Junior exhibitor if the animal was entered in the Junior show. Exhibitors with more than one animal in the ring at the same time must use another Junior exhibitor to show their additional entries.

Show management may dismiss any animal that becomes disruptive or poses a safety risk to exhibitors, ring staff, judges, or the animal itself.

If an animal becomes loose in the ring, the exhibitor has two attempts to regain control. On the third occurrence, the exhibitor and animal will be excused from the ring. This applies to all classes, including showmanship.

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### **Heifer Show:**

Heifers must have been born after May 31, 2024 and prior to entry deadline, and be registered with the American Hereford Association. Exhibitor's name must be listed on the animals "registration certificate" as owner or co-owner, as of entry deadline.

Heifers may be no greater than 45" tall at the hip. Polled and horned heifers will be combined in one show.

**Note:** You may show the heifer calf at side of the Cow/Calf pair in the regular female show if she is born prior to the entry deadline. If you choose to do so, you **must enter both the Cow/Calf pair and the calf**. If you have a heifer calf that is at the side of a cow/calf pair and you want to show in the Owned show and the Bred & Owned show that will be a total of 3 entries.

Bred and Owned heifers are defined as those in which the dam at the time the calf was conceived was owned by the exhibitor, the exhibitor must be listed as the breeder and owner/co-owner on the registration certificate. Animals can only be exhibited by one exhibitor throughout the entire event. -

**Bred and Owned Show is separate from Owned Show.** Be sure to indicate whether your heifer(s) will show in the Owned show, the Bred-and-Owned show, or both. Heifers exhibited in **both shows will require two entries, an additional fee per animal** is required if you choose to enter the Owned and Bred & Owned competitions.

All general rules will apply to the heifer show i.e. ownership, participant age, fitting, etc.

### **Cow/Calf Competition:**

There is no maximum age for cows, and they must be registered with the American Hereford Association. Exhibitor's name must be listed on the animals "registration certificate" as owner or co-owner as of entry deadline.

Cows may be no greater than 45" tall at the hip.

Calf must be natural calf, no more than 270 days in age as of the day of the show. Polled and horned pairs will be combined in one Cow/Calf show.

Calves at the side of cow-calf pairs may show in separate heifer or bull shows, however, they must be entered with a separate entry.

All calves on the side of the cow-calf pair must be registered with the AHA and tattooed at time of entry.

All general rules will apply to the Cow/Calf show i.e. ownership, participant age, fitting, etc.

### **Bulls:**

Bulls must be born after May 31, 2024, and prior to entry deadline, must be registered with the American Hereford Association. Exhibitor's name must be listed on the animals "registration certificate" as owner or co-owner as of entry deadline.

Bulls no greater than 48" at the hip

Horned and polled bulls will show together.

Bull calves in the cow/calf pairs are eligible to show in individual classes. They must be entered individually and pay the additional entry fee.

A bull over one year of age is required to have a ring in his nose; (permanent or removable). If not, he will be excluded from the MHJNA event.

All general rules will apply to the Bull show i.e. ownership, participant age, fitting, etc.

### **Steer Show:**

Steers must have been born after May 31, 2024, and by entry deadline, be registered with the American Hereford Association. Exhibitor's name must be listed on the animals "registration certificate" as owner or co-owner as of entry deadline.

No steer certificates will be accepted, only registration papers.

Steers may be no greater than 48" at the hip.

Prospect steers will not have exceeded one (1) year of age as of June 1,2026.

Market steers must exceed one (1) year of age as of June 2, 2026.

Steer classes will be divided by weight. Classes will be determined after check in.

We will select a Grand Champion Prospect Steer and a Grand Champion Market Steer for Pre-Jr's & Jr's.

All general rules will apply to the Steer show i.e. ownership, participant age, fitting, etc.

### **Divisions:**

Junior Heifer Calf – heifers calved after January 1, 2026	B/O	Owned
Senior Heifer Calf – heifers calved Sept -Dec 2025	B/O	Owned
Intermediate Heifer – heifers calved May- Aug 2025	B/O	Owned
Junior Heifer – heifers calved Jan – April 2025	B/O	Owned
Senior Heifer – heifers calved Sept – Dec 2024	B/O	Owned
Late Sr. Heifer – June - Aug 2024	B/O	Owned

Junior Bull Calf – bulls calved after Jan 1, 2026

Senior Bull Calf – bulls calved Sept- Dec 2025

Intermediate Bull – bulls calved May-Aug 2025

Junior Bull – bulls calved Jan-April 2025

Senior Bull – bulls calved June - Dec 2024

Prospect Steer – June 1,2025 to June 1, 2026

Market Steer – June 2, 2024 to May 31, 2025

Cow/Calf Pair – 2 y/o cow

Cow/Calf Pair – 3+ y/o cow

### **Contests:**

The following contests will be held at the MHJNA event: Arts & Crafts, Photography, Sales Talk, Fitting, Judging, Showmanship and Speech. Contest Rules are continued on the following page. Exhibitors need to be entered in **EVERY** contest they wish to participate in by entry deadline.

Youth not exhibiting an animal are still eligible to participate in the contest for an \$25 fee; this includes a T-shirt. **A separate completed entry is required.** All youth must meet the age requirements.

While a contest is in progress, **ONLY EXHIBITORS, COMMITTEE MEMBERS, OFFICIALS, AND VOLUNTEERS RESPONSIBLE FOR** facilitating the contest will be in the area. There shall be no conferring between exhibitors or between parents and/or advisors and exhibitors. Any violation of this rule will result in disqualification from the contest.

### **Showmanship:**

Showmanship is blow-and-go; the use of adhesives, paint, glue, or any artificial fitting products is strictly prohibited for this contest.

All exhibitors **must wear the official MHJNA T-shirt** during showmanship.

We will recognize the top 5 for each age group at time of show Pre Jr, Junior, Intermediate & Senior. Each exhibitor must use the same animal for all phases of the Showmanship Contest. One exhibitor per animal is allowed in Showmanship.

Pre-Junior exhibitors may have one assistant (parent, adult, sibling, or Junior exhibitor). Exhibitors must independently handle the animal and show stick. Assistants may provide safety-only assistance and only briefly to help the exhibitor regain control. Assistants may not assist with leading, setting up the animal, or using the show stick. Unassisted exhibitors will be placed above assisted exhibitors unless the assistant never touches the

halter or show stick.

### **Photography Contest:**

The purpose of this contest is to help exhibitors strengthen their communication skills through the creative expression of a message or feeling using photography. All photographs will be displayed at the Miniature Hereford Junior Nationals Association event. MHJNA reserves the right to reproduce any submitted work in any form.

Exhibitors must take their photographs independently, without assistance from a parent or adult. Each exhibitor is limited to one entry. Previously submitted or similar photos are not eligible. Exhibitors must use their own original ideas—photos may not copy or replicate previous entries or other photographers' concepts.

All photos must be mounted on 11" × 14" foam core or gator board (minimum 1/8" thick). Photos may be any size up to 11" × 14". Entries must be unframed and may not include hooks, wires, glass, cellophane, or acetate coverings. No exposed adhesives (spray or self-stick) may be used that could damage another exhibitor's entry.

Photo enhancements are allowed but must be completed solely by the exhibitor. The back of each entry must include:

- Exhibitor's full name
- Division
- Title of the photo
- Description of how the photo was taken

Scoring Criteria (75 points total)

1. Creativity, communication, and composition – 25 points
2. Highlighting the Miniature Hereford breed – 25 points
3. Technical quality – 25 points

Entries will be handled with care; however, MHJNA is not responsible for loss or damage.

### **Arts & Crafts:**

The purpose of this contest is to allow exhibitors to showcase their artistic skills through mediums such as painting, sculpture, video, artistic posters, music, and other creative works.

Exhibitors must complete their entries independently, without adult assistance. Each exhibitor is limited to one entry. Duplicate or previously submitted entries are not permitted. All exhibits must promote the Miniature Hereford breed in some manner.

A signed Statement of Originality must be submitted at check-in. This statement must include a brief description of the process and materials used. Parents may assist only Pre-Junior exhibitors in completing the Statement of Originality.

Scoring Criteria (60 points total)

1. Quality of craftsmanship – 10 points
2. Attention to detail – 5 points

3. Originality, creativity, and age appropriateness – 15 points
4. Promotion of the Miniature Hereford breed – 15 points
5. Difficulty of the medium – 5 points
6. Overall artistic appeal – 10 points

MHJNA reserves the right to reproduce any entry in any form. Entries will be handled with care; however, MHJNA is not responsible for loss or damage.

### **Sales Talk:**

The purpose of this contest is to evaluate the exhibitor's effectiveness in presenting and merchandising cattle. All materials will be returned to the exhibitor at the end of the presentation.

An animal will not be used in the event. Exhibitors may use two forms of documentation during the Sales Talk discussion. Acceptable materials, though not required, include registration papers not exceeding 8.5" x 11" and a photo of the animal being sold. Use of any additional materials or written notes will result in a 10% reduction of the exhibitor's score.

The contest will take place in a live setting with a "buyer," during which the exhibitor will present and "sell" their animal using only the permitted supporting documents.

Presentations must be three to five minutes in length. Time will be monitored, and exhibitors will receive a one-minute warning prior to the conclusion of their presentation.

### **Scoring (100 points)**

- Knowledge of the animal – 25 points
- Communication, organization, and style – 25 points
- Poise and delivery – 25 points
- Effectiveness in convincing the judge to buy – 25 points

### **Contest Conduct**

While the contest is in progress, no conferring between exhibitors is allowed. Parents, advisors, and all other individuals are prohibited from entering the contest area. Any violation of this rule will result in disqualification.

### **Team Fitting**

The purpose of this contest is to evaluate exhibitors' fitting abilities and their effectiveness in working as a team.

Teams in the Pre-Junior, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior divisions will be created by random selection at the event. Pre-Junior teams will be assigned a mentor for guidance.

### **Equipment & Animal Requirements**

#### **All Teams (Pre-Junior, Junior, Intermediate & Senior):**

Each team must provide the following for participation in the Team Fitting Contest:

- **One calf**
- Fitting products, break-down supplies, and assistance with washing and blowing out the animal at the end of the contest

If an exhibitor is not willing or able to provide a calf and the required fitting products, break-down supplies, and help with wash-out and blow-out, they should **reconsider participating**, as each team relies on these contributions to function properly. Please keep this requirement in mind when completing entries.

#### **Pre-Junior Teams:**

In addition to the above, each Pre-Junior team must provide:

- **One chute**
- **One blower**

The **chute and blower must remain in place** for use by all age divisions throughout the duration of the event. All exhibitors are expected to assist with breakdown and returning equipment once the contest concludes.

Pre-Junior and Junior divisions will **not clip**; they may use only paints and glues, it is highly recommend that they **use the light adhesives**. All team members must participate in the full breakdown process, including washing and blowing out the animal.

Unethical fitting practices are prohibited, including but not limited to: Adding hair or hair-like substances (including twine), Use of false tail heads, false polls, or false tail switches, Altering natural color beyond approved touch-up paints.

**Pre-Junior:** 15 minutes /**Junior, Intermediate & Senior:** 20 minutes

*Time may be adjusted based on team size; all teams within a division will receive the same allotted time.*

Judges may ask questions during the contest. Placings will be based on both **technique** and **final results**.

Only exhibitors, committee members, judges, and volunteers assisting with the contest are allowed in the fitting area.

#### **Judging Contest:**

The purpose of the Judging Contest is to evaluate exhibitors' ability to assess desirable beef cattle phenotype.

The contest will include four classes of cattle, each consisting of four head:

- Two classes of females
- One class of bulls
- One class of steers

Exhibitors will have 12 minutes to place each class. A two-minute warning will be given before cards are collected. If all cards and notes are completed early, the contest may proceed to the next class.

Each class is worth 50 points. Official placings and cuts will be determined by the Judging Contest Committee.

- Junior, Intermediate, and Senior exhibitors will have one Questions class (10 questions, 50 points total).
- Intermediate and Senior exhibitors will also have one Oral Reasons class worth 25 points.

## **Conduct During the Contest**

While the contest is in progress, **only exhibitors, committee members, officials, and volunteers assigned to the contest area** may be present.

There shall be **no conferring** between exhibitors or between exhibitors and adults. Any violation will result in **disqualification**.

Exhibitors may bring writing materials only for use during the Questions and Reasons portions. **No communication devices** (smart watches, phones, headsets, etc.) are allowed.

Exhibitors must remain with their assigned groups unless otherwise directed by a group leader.

A **scribe** may be requested to assist any exhibitor; requests must be made at time of entry.

## **Tie Breakers**

- Intermediate & Senior: 1st tie breaker – Reasons score; 2nd – Questions score; additional ties broken by comparing highest class scores in descending order.
- Junior: 1st tie breaker – Questions score; additional ties broken by highest class scores in descending order.
- Pre-Junior: 1st tie breaker – number of classes judged; then highest class scores in descending order.

## **Pre-Junior Division**

Pre-Junior exhibitors may judge two to four classes, based on attention span and ability. Each exhibitor's highest two class scores will be used. Pre-Juniors will not complete a Questions class and will have a scribe assigned to assist with marking class placings.

## **Speech Contest:**

The purpose of this contest is to help exhibitors strengthen their public speaking and communication skills. Contestants will prepare and present a speech on a topic related to cattle and/or the beef industry.

At the conclusion of each speech, judges will ask questions pertaining to the presentation. Exhibitors may use one or more visual aids, such as charts, diagrams, props, posters, videos, slides, inanimate models, or electronic presentations. Exhibitors using electronic devices are responsible for ensuring they are charged and functional, as electrical outlets may not be available.

A 10% reduction will be applied if the contestant exceeds the maximum time allowed. The contest will take place in a room with only the contestant and the panel of judges present—no other individuals may enter during the speech.

## **Speech Length Requirements**

- Pre-Junior & Junior: 3 minutes, not to exceed 6 minutes
- Intermediate & Senior: 5 minutes, not to exceed 8 minutes

## **Topic Guidance**

Speech topics must relate to cattle or the beef industry. Examples include:

- Daily care and grooming
- Selecting a show animal
- Herd improvement strategies

Exhibitors may choose one of the examples above or select another suitable cattle/beef-related topic.

### **Scoring (100 points)**

- Subject knowledge – 30 points
- Organization – 10 points
- Presentation – 30 points
- Response to questions – 20 points
- Overall effectiveness – 10 points

#### **Premiere Exhibitor:**

A Premiere Exhibitor will be awarded to an individual in each division.

No overall Premiere Exhibitor will be recognized.

Points will be awarded for top 3 cattle placings and each contest.

Points in cattle will be awarded by class placings only. **No additional points will be given for division champions or overall champions.**

You must compete in both cattle shows and contest within your appropriate age division to be eligible for premier exhibitor. Exception: If a Pre Jr is showing in the Junior show they will compete in all aspects of the event as Junior Exhibitor and will be awarded premier exhibitor points as a Junior Exhibitor.

The contests will be broken down into Cattle Show, Tier One and Tier Two contests. Tier One contests will be of greater value than Tier Two. Tier One contests include; Showmanship, Judging Speech and Sales Talk. Tier Two contests include: Fitting, Photography, and Arts & Crafts.

In the event of a tie, tie breakers will be used. The first tie breaker will be Sales Talk, the second tie breaker will be Judging, the third tie breaker will be Showmanship. If more tie breakers are needed, they will be determined at the show.

Each Exhibitor may bring and exhibit an unlimited number of entries to the MHJNA event but will only receive premier exhibitor points **for their top 3 entries.**

Point breakdown:

Cattle Show Placing:

1<sup>st</sup>- 10 points

2<sup>nd</sup>- 9 Points

3<sup>rd</sup>- 8 Points

4<sup>th</sup>- 7 Points

5<sup>th</sup>- 6 Points

All remaining will receive 3 points

Tier One Contests: Showmanship, Judging, Speech and Sales Talk.

1<sup>st</sup>- 10 Points

2<sup>nd</sup>- 9 Points

3<sup>rd</sup>- 8 Points

4<sup>th</sup>- 7 Points

5<sup>th</sup>- 6 Points

All remaining will receive 3 points.

Tier Two Contests: Team Fitting, Photography Contest, and Arts & Crafts.

1<sup>st</sup>- 5 Points

2<sup>nd</sup>- 4 Points

3<sup>rd</sup>- 3 Points

All remaining will receive 2 points.

Premier Exhibitor will be presented 30 minutes after the conclusion of the show on Saturday.

**Herdsman Award**