

**2024 OH Ranch Branded Beef Steer Show Rules**

Special attention is called to the following Calgary Stampede Rules and Regulations for all livestock competitions:

- Animal Care Codes of Practice
- Calgary Stampede Exhibitor Agreement
- General Rules
- Health Regulations
- IAFE Code of Ethics

**ALL ENTRIES MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS:**

**Provided At Time of Entry:**

- Signed Prohibited Feed Affidavit
- RFID (Electronic ID) Number

**Provided At Time of Weigh In:**

- A completed manifest – All Alberta cattle must arrive on Alberta Livestock Manifest. Only one animal per manifest. Please record your RFID number on the manifest.
  - Livestock Manifest: A producer generated document showing the owner's movement of cattle within their own jurisdiction.
- Transfer of ownership papers

**GENERAL RULES:**

1. Special attention is called to the following: Calgary Stampede Agriculture Rules/Regulations and Animal Care Codes which apply to all exhibitors and parents/guardians of exhibitors under the age of 18.
2. The exhibitor and or parent/guardian declare that the entry is free and clear of ALL drugs, chemicals, or medication and their residues at the time of competition in accordance with the Calgary Stampede's Drug Management and Residue Avoidance Program (see below).
3. The name listed on the entry form to the Calgary Stampede OH Ranch Branded Beef Steer Show MUST sign an Exhibitor Agreement form and a Feed Affidavit or the entry will not be accepted. The name listed is responsible for the animal entered. Exhibitors under the age of 18 as of January 1, 2024, will require parental consent.
4. All OH Ranch Youth Ambassadors must exhibit their steer in the OH Ranch Branded Beef class(es) as part of the Calgary Stampede Junior Steer Classic. There is no entry fee for this class. Failure to present the steer will result in a fine of \$2500 to cover steer and feed costs. Calgary Stampede Management will make the final decision

should unforeseen circumstances arise, and the steer is unable to be present for the show.

5. In the event of the death of the steer, a veterinary certificate must be presented.
6. Participants may cross enter their steer in the Junior Steer Classic. Entry deadline is Friday, June 14, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.(MST) at a cost of \$150 per entry. NO LATE ENTRIES will be accepted. All Junior Steer Classic entries must be made online through the Calgary Stampede online entries system. No entries will be accepted without payment of the entry fee, or via paper, phone, email or fax.
7. All steers must be presented for auction as part of the International Livestock Auctioneer Competition on July 13, 2024 at 02:30 pm. The OH Youth Ambassador will collect 80% of the proceeds of the sale of their steer. The remaining 20% of the sale proceeds from their steer will be held back to offset expenses.
8. All steers must be under control at all times without the use of drugs. Humbugs, nose rings, and tail ties are permitted. Steers deemed to be out of control or dangerous to the public will be asked to be removed from the facility at the owner's expense.
9. No horns are permitted, regardless of size, on steers entered in the show. Animals may be disqualified at the discretion of Stampede Officials at the time of weigh-in, should noticeable horns be present.
10. Stall cards and decorations will be provided by the Calgary Stampede. All OH Ranch steers must be stalled in the designated OH Ranch Branded Beef stalling area. Should the exhibitor have another animal entered in the Junior Steer Classic or Jackpot Heifer Show, those animals will not be permitted to be stalled with the OH Ranch Branded Beef steers. The exhibitor is responsible for the care of all animals they are exhibiting. No commercial advertising, company names or sponsor signage is permitted.
11. Show harnesses must be used in the show ring. No belt clips or pinned on show numbers are permitted. Show numbers will be provided.
12. In an event of a disqualification or dismissal from the show, no entry fees will be refunded.
13. All steers must have a neck tie on and secured when the steer is tied in their assigned stall in the barn. Steers found to be without a neck tie while in their assigned stall within the designated hours will result in forfeiture of all prize money awarded to that entry. Exhibitors are responsible for providing their own neck ties.
14. An individual COMPLETED BRAND MANIFEST and Transfer of ownership must be submitted to the scale clerk at the time of weigh-in for each steer entered. This will be strictly enforced. An Alberta Livestock manifest is required for all steers originating in Alberta. Each entry must have a RFID tag, with the RFID number recorded on the manifest/livestock permit. The CCIA will monitor and enforce any action required, should an animal be missing a tag. An INCOMPLETE MANIFEST or PERMIT or failure to present a Transfer of ownership will disqualify the steer from the show.

15. All steers will be weighed Friday, July 12, 2024 (time to be determined). This will be the official show weight. The Exhibitor must be in the weigh-in area at the time of processing. No re-weighs will be permitted. All steers will be handled by the same committee member while in the chute to ensure consistency of handling during weighing.
16. All steers will be shown by the weight recorded at the time of weigh-in.
17. Steer classes will be split by the July 12, 2024 weight, with the number of steers per class to be determined by the committee based on entries.
18. Steers will enter the ring in ascending order by the July 12, 2024 weight.
19. All exhibitors are required to attend a MANDATORY exhibitor meeting. Please check the schedule for time and location.
20. Exhibitors are responsible for arriving at the show ring on time for their class. Once the show ring has been closed, no late entries will be allowed to enter the ring. Animals that do not make the show are disqualified from the OH Ranch Branded Beef program.
21. Any animal can be excused from the show ring at the discretion of Stampede Officials for safety reasons.
22. All weight class champions (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place) will advance to the overall Championship for the OH Ranch Branded Beef steer show. Weight class champions from the OH Ranch Branded Beef class(es) are NOT eligible for the overall championship of the Junior Steer Classic.
23. Exhibitors MUST be present from move-in until move out to care for and maintain their animal and steer alleys or all prize money will be forfeited. It is expected that all stalls and alleys will be **always kept in a clean and presentable fashion** to the best of the exhibitor's ability. Alley ways must be clear of equipment, cords, or obstructions at all times. Alley ways are not permitted to be closed with the exception of show day when show preparations are being made.
24. All exhibitors and animals must be in the barns prior to 9:00 AM MST on Friday, July 12, 2024. (Exceptions will be made ONLY for those that are being released from the Summer Synergy Show in Olds, AB)
25. No aerosol cans may be used in the marshalling area of the arena.
26. As a condition for participation in the Calgary Stampede event, exhibitors must agree to submit any animal entered, by the exhibitor, for inspection. Exhibitors agree to have such animal submitted to any tests requested by the Calgary Stampede. Should an inspection or test be refused by the exhibitor, the entry will be disqualified immediately. Exhibitors also agree that the opinion reached by the Calgary Stampede as to whether such animal is not ethically fitted or over age shall be final and binding without recourse against the Calgary Stampede.
27. . All steers entered in the OH Ranch Branded Beef program are subject to random drug testing at the discretion of the Calgary Stampede.
28. All prize money will be held until the drug test results have been reviewed. (if samples were taken).

29. If any animal is disqualified, the animal next in line will not advance. Only in the case of the Grand Champion disqualification will advancement of the Reserve Grand Champion animal be considered, at the discretion of the Calgary Stampede.
30. An exhibitor may lodge a protest. For the Exhibitor to lodge a protest in connection with an entry, the Exhibitor must submit such protest in writing to the Agriculture Department of the Stampede before 10 a.m. the day following the cause of protest, and a receipt must be obtained. Any such protest must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal and must be accompanied by a deposit of \$500, which shall be forfeited to the Stampede if the said protest is not affirmed by the Stampede. If the protest is upheld, the \$500 deposit will be returned to the Exhibitor.
31. **Exhibitor Code of Conduct:** All exhibitors commit to demonstrating behavior which validates respect, consideration, understanding, patience, cooperation and honesty. This environment fosters learning, socializing, and opportunity. All exhibitors are bound by the Calgary Stampede Exhibitor Agreement.
32. **No alcohol or cannabis consumption** whatsoever is permitted in the entire Agriculture programming zones, including barns and arenas. Awareness and signage will clearly identify the no alcohol or cannabis consumption rule. Those who violate the rule will be disqualified immediately and forfeit their prize money.
33. **If a parent or guardian is found violating the no alcohol or cannabis consumption rule, it will result in their youth's entry being disqualified, and prize money being forfeited.**
34. Calgary Stampede Officials shall, in their sole and unfettered discretion have the right at any time to add, delete, modify, waive or interpret a Rule or Rules in order to clarify or address a circumstance or action not previously outlined or contemplated in the existing OH Ranch Branded Beef Steer Show Rules or as Stampede Officials may deem appropriate for the betterment of the competition.

### **Drug Management and Residue Avoidance Program**

The Calgary Stampede has a Drug Management and Residue Avoidance program for food-production animals (ie. beef cattle) to protect the integrity of the food system, ensure fair competition, and to ensure the welfare of animals. All food-producing animals are to be free and clear of ALL unapproved drugs, chemicals or medication and their residues throughout the competition.

If medical treatment has occurred prior to participation in the competition, exhibitors must ensure that the required withdrawal or elimination times for approved veterinary products have been met or exceeded prior to the start of the competition.

Exhibitors should be aware that while withdrawal or elimination periods are designed to ensure that drug levels or residues in the animal are within safe limits for human consumption, there may be circumstances in which a drug may still be detected in blood,

urine or other tissues after the approved withdrawal period. Detection of a drug or chemical in these circumstances will be investigated, and the youth will be engaged keeping education, animal welfare, and food safety a top priority.

### **Veterinary Treatment**

If an animal requires veterinary treatment while at a Calgary Stampede event, only the Official Stampede Veterinarian or an accredited Stampede veterinarian, licensed to practice veterinary medicine in Alberta by the Alberta Veterinary Medical Association, will be allowed to administer any drug or medication.

An exhibitor may choose a licensed veterinarian other than the Official Stampede Veterinarian, but the Official Stampede Veterinarian **MUST** be notified in advance, and he/she **MUST** be present when the drug is administered. Furthermore, the Official Stampede Veterinarian, in agreement with Stampede Officials, reserves the right to treat any animal if it is in the best interest of the animal's health and well-being to be treated. Animals that are administered drugs or medication for any reason while at a Calgary Stampede event will not be allowed to compete.

### **Treatment Costs**

All treatment costs are the responsibility of the exhibitor.

### **Ultimate Care and Responsibility**

By making entry to the Calgary Stampede the exhibitor agrees and understands that ultimate care and responsibility for an animal(s) rest solely upon the exhibitor prior to the competition, during the competition and after the competition until the animal(s) have left the facility.

Prize money will be held until the drug test results have been reviewed.

### **Sample Collection Protocols**

The Calgary Stampede reserves the right to have blood, urine, saliva, or tissue analysis conducted on any animal entered for competition. A positive drug test determining whether a drug or chemical is present shall be final and binding on completion of the process described below, without recourse against the Calgary Stampede.

All samples obtained at the Calgary Stampede event will be sent to Bureau Veritas[1],

1. Animals will be escorted from the show ring to the sample collection area under the supervision of a Stampede Official.
2. Exhibitor and animal information will be verified and confirmed in writing.
3. Stampede Officials will appoint a technician to open the containers, vial, and/or needles in front of the exhibitor for verification that no contamination has occurred.
4. The samples will be collected by the Official Stampede Veterinarian and may be obtained by either two separate collections in immediate sequence, or by splitting a single collection into A or B Samples. The technician will package two blood, and/or urine samples (A and B Samples) in the presence of the exhibitor and/or parent and/or guardian, and under the supervision of the Official Stampede Veterinarian.
5. Each sample will be sealed and signed by the Official Stampede Veterinarian and exhibitor and/or parent and/or guardian.
6. The sample registration form will be completed and signed by the Official Stampede Veterinarian, and exhibitor and/or parent and/or guardian.
7. The A and B samples are sealed, signed and placed in two separate locked boxes. The technician is responsible for the care of the sample boxes until time of shipment.

[1] Bureau Veritas is accredited for Forensic Drug Testing by The Standards Council of Canada.

### **Sample Testing Procedure:**

1. Sample A will be sent to Bureau Veritas for testing. Sample B will remain sealed and stored for further confirmation at Bureau Veritas.
2. Sample A will be tested for drug and chemical detection at Bureau Veritas, immediately following receiving the sample. Sample B will be retained by Bureau Veritas until further direction is provided by the Calgary Stampede.
3. If a positive result is obtained in Sample A; Sample B will then be tested for confirmation.
4. If the results of both Sample A and B return positive for the same substance, the animal may be disqualified, and penalties will be determined by the Calgary Stampede.

### **Penalties**

If any such animal is declared with a positive drug test or not ethically fitted, the Calgary Stampede will determine penalties based on the severity of the rule violation. This decision is final and binding without recourse against the Calgary Stampede.