

Clallam County 4-H **Dairy Cattle Project Information**

Enrollment/Animal Possession

- Members must be enrolled in the Dairy Cattle project by June 1st.
- To enroll in large animal projects, members must be age 8 by October 1st of the 4-H year.
- Project animals must be under the management and care of the 4-H member 90 days prior to fair (except Dairy Heifer Replacement).

Record Books

Complete a 4-H Record Book with separate project record section for each project.

- Standard WSU Book: In place of the Journal, complete the "Livestock" Add Sheet. C0729E.
- Clallam County 4-H Record Book: Use general project record.
- # If you don't own your animal, please talk to the owner to record estimated value and expenses.

Resources

WSU 4-H Dairy Cattle page: https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/projects/animal-science/livestock/dairy-cattle/ WSU State 4-H Publications:

https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/search?q=dairy&adv=true&cid=958&mid=0&pf=&pt=&adv=false&isc=false&si d=false

Curriculum is available for check out at the Clallam County 4-H Extension office.

Breed/Health Requirements

Animals will be vet-checked prior to entry in fair and must be free of parasites and diseases.

County Fair Requirements

- 🏶 Enter animals using a Clallam County Fair 4-H Entry Form(s) postmarked by July Ist.
- Dairy animals must have a completed Dairy Certificate (CO234) mailed to the Barn Superintendent July Ist with animal entry forms. This certificate must be complete, including tattoo and tag numbers.

Customary Showing Attire

Although no official dress code is required, it is customary for 4-H Youth to wear clothing that is neat, clean and professional. Dairy participants typically wear white clothing. White shirts, white jeans or white coveralls are all appropriate. Western boots or good, sturdy leather shoes must be worn. No open toed shoes or shorts will be allowed.

County Medals

County medals are awarded based on a member's performance at fair. There is only one medal awarded per every ten members enrolled in each project area (i.e. Dairy, Beef). Points are kept by barn superintendent. Points are awarded in the following categories:

A. Fitting & Showing Point system: B. Judging/Quality Assurance Skillathon 5 pts for Champion C. Herdsmanship 4 pts for Reserve D. Educational Poster 3 pts for Blue 2 pts for Red E. Demonstration F. Educational Display I pt for White

G. 4-H In Action (I pt for participation)

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Awards

See Clallam County 4-H Awards Handbook for award information and application instructions. Awards are given out at the Clallam County Achievement Day in fall!

Specific Project Area Awards for these projects: Large Animal Achievement Award

Livestock Judging Contest

Traditionally held at 4:00pm on the Wednesday of Fair. Juniors and up may participate. Learn more about Judging contests on the WSU 4-H website or contact your 4-H leader.

Quality Assurance Skill-a-thon

Traditionally held on Saturday morning of fair. Juniors and up may participate. Questions are based on Swine, Dairy, Beef, and Sheep Quality Assurance Kits available for clubs to check out from the Extension office.

Round Robin Contest

Top Senior & Intermediate 4-H exhibitors in Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy, Goats & Llamas compete against each other for the title of overall best showman. Rules are outlined in the Clallam County Fair Exhibitor Guide.

State Fair

4-H State Fair Exhibitor Guide http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/fairs/state-4-h-fair/ State Fair Requirements:

- 4-H' er must notify the County Fair Barn Superintendent of the animal project they wish to enter at State Fair by Sunday morning of the county fair.
- Be a part of the qualifying allotment. See State 4-H fair Exhibitor's guide, and or ask barn Superintendent.

At State Fair:

- **Each Species of animal stalls as a county. All clubs in our county are stalled together and must share the responsibility of stall decorations.**
- Members share herdsman ship duties with all members of our county exhibiting the same project.

Additional Information

Practice fairgrounds outings are strongly encouraged for all cattle projects. Look for educational opportunities provided through the county 4-H program.

WSU Extension 4-H Program at 360-417-2398, http://extension.wsu.edu/clallam/4h/ 223 E. 4th Street, STE I5, Port Angeles, WA 98362