

2023 MHBA/MHYF Miniature Hereford Junior Nationals Herdsmanship Contest

Overview & Scorecard

Overview:

All 2023 MHJN cattle exhibitors will be automatically entered into this competition. The Herdsmanship contest will consist of daily evaluation of exhibitors in terms of maintenance of stall area (neatness, decorations, etc.), use of the 2023 theme (“Kickin’ it in Kansas”), as well as the exhibitors demonstrated cooperation with fellow exhibitors and adults. Be creative with your decorations! Remember, all exhibitors will be provided with stall cards for each animal, but the rest of your stall set-up is completely up to you.

This contest will focus primarily on the individual exhibitors assigned stall space and tack area. Exhibitors may also be evaluated on his/her cleanliness in the wash rack and tie out areas. Exhibitor cooperation and public relations will be evaluated at the stalls as well as throughout the venue (so, don’t just be on your best behavior at the stalls when you think judges are near). Herdsmanship judges will recognize that more time and work will be spent on caring for multiple cattle versus a single calf entry and some flexibility may be provided for exhibitors with multiple cattle entries.

The Herdsmanship contest will be divided into the following classes:

- **Class #1:** Exhibitors with 1 to 2 head (i.e. exhibitors, ages 3-21, that brought 1-2 head of cattle)
- **Class #2:** Exhibitors 3 or more (i.e. exhibitors, ages 3-21, that brought at least 3 head of cattle)

Herdsmanship will be scored daily by the judges; contestant scores will be combined over all the days of the event, and the exhibitors with the highest scores will be the winners of the 2023 MHJN Herdsmanship contest.

Scorecard:

The following is the scorecard that will be utilized during the daily Herdsmanship judging. Judging will be conducted according to the quantity of cattle exhibited as well as considerations for age.

Questions regarding the Herdsmanship Contest can be sent to Alyssa DuVal (duval.alyssa3@gmail.com).

Herdsmanship - Daily Scorecard

Criteria	Elements Considered	Score	Judges Comment(s)
Stall Set-Up and Decorations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stall set-up/design is safe for exhibitor and cattle • Fan directions are consistent with requirement (fan must push air from the handlers side to the judges side...from the left to the right in the stalls) • Decorations used in the stall and/or tack area are fun and represent the exhibitors interests and personality 	<p>_____</p> <p>out of 5 points possible</p>	
Stall Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibitor maintains a clean, presentable stall area • Exhibitor maintains a clean, presentable tack area 	<p>_____</p> <p>out of 10 points possible</p>	
Use of 2023 MHJN Theme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incorporated the 2023 MHJN Theme into stall design and decorations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MHJN Theme: Kickin' It In Kansas 	<p>_____</p> <p>out of 10 points possible</p>	
Exhibitor Cooperation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibitor is friendly and helps fellow exhibitors in the wash rack, tie outs, and/or stall areas 	<p>_____</p> <p>out of 10 points possible</p>	
Wash Rack, Fitting, and Tie-Out Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibitor is considerate and cleans his/her wash rack space immediately after use • Exhibitor keeps the fitting area clean and organized • Exhibitor maintains a clean tie-out area 	<p>_____</p> <p>out of 5 points possible</p>	
<p>TOTAL POINTS: _____ out of 40 points possible</p>			