



2025 – 2026
Beef Committee

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2026 Livestock Showcase & Sale Market & Prospect Steer Rules

IMPORTANT DATES

Market Steer Entries: July 1, 2025 – September 14, 2025 (or until the first 50 entries are received)

Prospect Steer Entries: July 1, 2025 – March 1, 2026

**Please note: the market steer show will be limited to 50 paid entries – first come first served. Exhibitor for both the market & prospect steers must be enrolled in a Polk County school (Kindergarten to 12th Grade students).*

Show Entry Fee: \$35.00

Showmanship Entry Fee: \$20.00

Bred & Owned Entry Fee: \$10.00

Market Steer Tagging/Picture deadline: September 14, 2025 at midnight

reference tagging details below

Entry Rules

- Entries open July 1, 2025 and close September 14, 2025.
- No late entries will be accepted.
- Prospect Steer Entries may be edited in the Showman.app until **March 1, 2026**. No changes will be accepted after this date.
- There will be a maximum of 50 market steers, the first 50 entries will be accepted.
- Exhibitor must be 8 years old by January 1, 2026.
- A valid Official Health Certificate must be presented at check-in. State of Florida Health Certificates are valid for 90 days.
- Market steers must weigh a minimum of 1000bs. to be eligible to sell. If steer weighs in less than 1000 lbs, exhibitor has the option to show in the prospect steer show. Decision must be made at the time of check-in.
- Exhibitor may enter up to 2 market animals – **only one market animal may be checked-in to the show.**
- Exhibitor MUST be able to handle the steer by themselves at weigh in.
- All market steers must be under 30 months of age at check-in. American Influence will have its own division so long as a combined minimum of 8 American Influence market and prospect steers are entered on Showman.app by the entry deadline.
- Committee members reserve the right to change the classification of an animal at tagging and/or check-in. There will be someone on-site at check-in, independent from CFYIA, to classify cattle (Example an American Influenced steer was entered as a European Influenced Steer).

Questions?

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- Bred and Owned steers will be recognized in the market and prospect shows, with no minimum head requirement. All Bred and Owned Divisions will follow the Junior Florida Cattlemen's Association Bred and Owned guidelines.
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Market Steer Tagging

- All steers will be tagged with a CFYIA identifying tag. Tagging will be held on August 2, 2025, from 7:00 am – 9:00 am prior to the start of Educational Day at the Polk County Agriculture Center in Bartow. September 14th is the deadline to have your market steer tagged to be eligible to show at the 2026 CFYIA Livestock Showcase & Sale.
- Ear tags will be available for pickup, but the exhibitor is responsible for tagging their own animal unless they attend the tagging on August 2, 2025. For tag pickup or any issues with tagging, please contact Kacie Bryant 863-661-2355 or Cody Cranor 863-393-8490.
- **Exhibitor Photo Submission Requirements:** All exhibitors must upload the following two photos to Showman of their market steer by September 14th:
 1. **Head Photo:** A clear photo of the steer's head that visibly displays the CFYIA ear tag.
 2. **Full Body Photo:** A full-body photo of the steer with the exhibitor clearly visible in the picture.

Prospect Steer Show

- Prospect steers are defined as steers weighing less than 1000 lbs. at check-in and will be shown by weight.
- To show in either the American Influence, European Influence or Bred and Owned Divisions, please indicate on the Showman.app entry form.
- American Influence will have its own division so long as a combined minimum of 8 American Influence market and prospect steers are entered on Showman.app by the entry deadline.
- Committee members reserve the right to change the classification of an animal at check-in. There will be someone on-site at check-in, independent from CFYIA, to classify cattle (Example an American Influenced steer was entered as a European Influenced Steer). Prospect steers will not show against market steers in any division or class other than American Influence and Bred and Owned.
- Prospect steers are not eligible to sell in the Market steer sale.
- Bred and Owned steers will be recognized in the market and prospect shows, with no minimum head requirement. All Bred and Owned Divisions will follow the Junior Florida Cattlemen's Association Bred and Owned guidelines.
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Showmanship Rules

- Showmanship entries are optional and can be made on showman.app prior to check-in or the day of check-in by 11:00 am. **(cash only at check-in).**
- Showmanship will be limited to one entry per exhibitor.
- Exhibitors must show their own animal, failure to do so will result in disqualification and forfeit of entry fees.

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- Exhibitors' age will be determined by January 1, 2026.
 - Adaptive (5-18) – free to enter
 - Novice (5-7)
 - Junior (8-11)
 - Intermediate (12-14)
 - Senior (15-18)
- Novice and Adaptive Exhibitors can borrow an animal for Showmanship. Exhibitors must be enrolled in a Polk County school.
- Divisions will be determined by age and depending on the number of entries, will be separated by heats.

Livestock Sale

Exhibitor has the **right to sell one animal** (steer/swine/lamb) in the Livestock Sale on Saturday, March 28th. This event is a non-terminal show, meaning at time of entry the exhibitor will decide what animal they would like to sell. Selling your animal is OPTIONAL and not required to participate in all divisions of the Central Florida Youth in Agriculture Livestock Showcase & Sale. **Only one animal will be allowed to sell per exhibitor.** A commission will be charged for all animals that enter the sale. CFYIA will receive no more than 5% sale commission of the sale price and that will be determined after the close out of the sale.

- All non-sale animals must be out of the barn prior to sale day.
- All sale animals must be in the barn prior to the sale on Saturday.
- Withdraw periods must be followed per label on medications.
- **Sale is optional** - If the exhibitor chooses the sale option on entry form, animal **MUST** go to sale unless the committee is informed otherwise at check-in.
- Once a market steer, swine or lamb has been sold, the sale is considered final.
- Exhibitor must be present to sale his/her market animal.

Exhibitor must market his/her own animal. *All animals will sell by the Head, not by the pound: (Example - \$5000 – Market Steer) (\$1500 –Hog) (\$1500 –Lamb)*

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2026 Livestock Showcase & Sale

Show Rules

- Exhibitors must be 8 - 18 (not having graduated high school) and be enrolled in a Polk County School.
- An official Health Certificate dated within 90 days of entry must accompany all animals and cattle must comply with all state and federal health regulations for exhibiting livestock. There is no entry limit on breeding animals and prospect steers. There will be a maximum of 20 market lamb, 50 market steer entries and 175 market swine entries allowed. Each exhibitor has the right to sell only ONE animal in the livestock sale, either swine, steer or lamb. Selection of sale animal must be made at time of check-in. No substitutions.
- No changes to entries the day of show.
- All cattle must be checked in by 11:00 am.
- No generators and/or fans are allowed inside the barn for any reason. No electricity in the barn. All generators, fans, and grooming equipment must be set up outside of the barn.
- **NO SHAVINGS** – The facility does not allow.
- If an exhibitor has multiple animals in the same class or drive, please have another CFYIA exhibitor assist or ask a committee member for assistance.
- Our committee members will be there to help during the show, but the exhibitor is responsible for getting their animal to the show ring for the show.
- Both Grand and Reserve Champions will come back in for the Supreme Drive.
- The owner is responsible for the daily care of his/her own animals during the CFYIA Livestock Showcase & Sale.
- Exhibitors must keep his/her tie space as clean and neat as possible. No shavings are allowed in the barn.
Premiums will be released to the exhibitor after his/her area has been inspected by a committee member. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to clean up all bedding and trash before leaving the show. No Exceptions.
- Committee members reserve the right to disqualify exhibitors due to safety issues, if needed.
- Committee members reserve the right to disqualify any exhibitor or family member using abusive or intemperate language or attempting to threaten, bribe, influence or harass any contestant or show official. Also, any remarks made with the intent to cast aspersion on the character or integrity of an official will result in disqualification and a possible ban.
- Exhibitors making entries and not exhibiting shall forfeit all fees paid for entries.
- CFYIA and show management are in no way responsible for exhibits or any accidents that may occur.
- Disrespectful, vulgar, inappropriate behavior - including but not limited to language, underage drinking, interaction with adults, judges, committee, or peers will not be tolerated. Participating in any of these activities will be grounds for immediate disqualification. The final decision of the committee will be non-negotiable CFYIA highly discourages, does not condone, and will not permit aggressive behavior towards animals; this includes but is not limited to striking or hitting any animal. As good stewards of livestock, aggressive striking is not an option or practice. Any exhibitor or anyone assisting an exhibitor is not allowed to aggressively or loudly "pop, slap, hit, or strike" their animal at any time during the event. If such behavior is witnessed the first offense will be handled with a warning, a second offense will result in disqualification of the exhibitor and all entry fees and/or prize money will be forfeited. Protest to the disqualification will not be permitted. **All animals must be treated humanely at all times. Any violations will be handled by the committee at their discretion. *If behavior is determined to be overly aggressive by the committee, there will be no warning and will lead to immediate disqualification.**
- Any protest, issue, or complaint in reference to show-related matters or regarding an animal must be submitted in writing 3 hours prior to the start of the show. Once the show begins or you exit the premises, you forfeit the

right to raise any concerns. No changes to outcome will be made once the show starts. Protests must be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors accompanied by a \$100.00 protest fee payable in cash at the time the protest is submitted. Once a protest is received, the Board of Directors will assemble a quorum to rule on the matter. Protestor will be given the opportunity to address the Board of Directors for a brief statement on the protest, if they desire, before a ruling is made. Once a decision is made, all parties involved or affected will be notified of the outcome by the Board of Directors or their designated representative and the matter will be considered closed, and no further action will be considered by the Board of Directors. If the ruling is in favor of the protestor, the \$100.00 protest fee will be returned; otherwise, the protestor forfeits same. Protests of any judge's decision will not be considered.

- The Judge's Decision is final.

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