



## 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Norfolk Beef Expo

Open to the entire state of Nebraska

Date: **Sunday, September 10, 2023**

Place: Northeast Community College Chuck M. Pohlman Ag Complex, located at  
2301 East Benjamin Avenue

Sponsor: Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce Agri-Business Council

More information can be found at [www.norfolkareachamber.com](http://www.norfolkareachamber.com) (under the events tab)

### 4-H & FFA Show Rules and Regulations for the Norfolk Beef Expo

1. Any member of a Nebraska 4-H club or FFA chapter, who is at least 8 years of age and not older than 19 years of age on January 1, 2023, is eligible to show.
2. Each exhibitor may enter two market (fed) calves. Entry forms may be obtained from your County University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension office, FFA adviser, the Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce office or website: [norfolkareachamber.com](http://norfolkareachamber.com). **A non-refundable entry fee of \$30 must accompany the entry form for each calf entered.** Entry forms ***must be complete in full, signed by the county Extension educator or FFA adviser,*** and sent to the Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce office *postmarked* no later than **Friday, September 1, 2023**. Entries can be *hand delivered* to a Beef Expo committee member or the Norfolk Area Chamber office no later than **Tuesday, September 5, 2023**.
3. Neither nose prints nor DNA samples are required to participate in the Norfolk Beef Expo.
4. Exhibitors may elect to participate in the sale of their calves following the show. Only calves that are shown are eligible for the premium auction and must weigh a minimum of 1,000 lbs. at weigh-in. Grand and reserve champion steers and heifers are required to sell. This is a premium auction, with the sale of the actual animal made directly to Tyson Fresh Meats on a grade-and-yield basis. The 4-H Animal Care and Management Disclosure Statement needs to be completed for all animals selling. **A parent or guardian must sign the form if the exhibitor is under 18 years old.**
5. Exhibitors participating in the premium auction will receive a premium from the buyer. The premium will be on a per-head basis, not on a per-hundredweight basis. Exhibitors will be limited to one entry in the premium auction. Premiums will be sent out via mail by the Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce after all auction monies have been collected.
6. All calves (including the grand and reserve champions) that are sold will be transported to Tyson Foods in Dakota City, NE, for harvest, with the dollar value determined by the yield-

and-quality grade of the carcass. Carcass base prices will be posted at check-in. The Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce will mail disbursements to exhibitors upon receipt of the Tyson payment approximately three weeks from date of show.

7. Exhibitors with two entries may sell their second entry to Tyson on the same grade-and-yield basis listed above, but that entry is not allowed to go through the premium auction.
8. Substitutions of calves will not be allowed after **4pm on Friday, September 8, 2023**. All substitutions must be faxed to the Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce office at (402)371-0182.
9. The NECC Ag Complex will open at noon on Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. All calves must be checked in on **Saturday, September 9, 2023**, between **4pm & 6pm**. No calves will be checked in after 6pm.
10. Each exhibitor will furnish their own blocking chute and equipment and will be responsible for using them in the designated area announced at the time of the show. **No blocking chutes will be allowed in any alley or sales arena. No butt fans are allowed in the Ag Complex.**
11. Calves will be assigned divisions and classes by height. Show programs with classes listed will be posted and available the morning of the show. Show order will be tall heifers, short heifers; tall steers, medium steers, and short steers. The top two calves in each class will compete for division champions. Division champions will then compete for the grand champion and reserve grand champion steer and heifer titles. Judging will begin at **9am Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**.
12. Exhibitors must show his/her own calves except in cases of certified illness or having two calves in the same class, when a substitute showman will be allowed, provided that showman is an exhibitor of this show.
13. Any calf displaying ill temperament or undesirable disposition may be dismissed from the show and sale at the discretion of the show officials.
14. Only purples can be champions. Entry must be awarded a first or second purple ribbon in a class to be eligible to compete for champion or reserve champion.
15. Grand and reserve champions will be selected at approximately 4 p.m. on Sunday, depending on the number of show entries to be judged. The grand and reserve champion steers and heifers are required to be sold and harvested. Animals selected as division champions and reserve champions cannot be withdrawn from the grand champion drive. Violation of this rule may result in disqualification and exhibitor may be barred from future participation at the Norfolk Beef Expo.
16. Showmanship contest will be a fitted show.
17. Anyone caught with alcoholic beverages on the Ag Complex grounds will be asked to leave the premises immediately.
18. The Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce will not be responsible for any loss and/or injury. The rules are made for the benefit of all concerned.
19. **Grievance Rule:** Available to exhibitors to air their problems or concerns. The regulations are:
  - Grievance must be submitted in written form; b) Grievance must be filed within a half-hour after last division champion is selected; c) Reason for grievance; d) How he/she

will prove the situation; e) \$25 cash payment, and; f) Grievance must be signed.

**College scholarships available.** High school juniors and seniors who exhibit at the Beef Expo are eligible for one of TWO \$1,000 scholarships from the Agri-Business Council. Applications are available on the Norfolk Area Chamber website and will be available at the show.