

Hereford Futurity Rules

The Rules Will Be as Follows:

1. Steers and heifers must be South Dakota led, bred and fed.
 - a. Must be exhibited and shown by a member of the South Dakota Hereford Jr Association who is also a legal resident of South Dakota during the duration of the project or meet requirements of rule #10.
 - b. All animals require to be bred within the boundaries of South Dakota as shown on AHA registration Papers including embryos that may have been purchased.
 - c. All animals are required to be fed by the exhibitor within the boundaries of South Dakota during the duration of the project or meet requirements of rule #10.
 - d. If an animal leaves the state to be sold and then are purchased by a South Dakota Jr Hereford member, returns to the state, and meets all other requirements so mentioned animals are eligible.
 - e. Animals that are bred in South Dakota but are born out of state due to recipient herds via embryo transplant/ivf are eligible as long as the said animals meet all other requirements. This does not include embryos that have been sold.
 - f. Animals that are bred in South Dakota but are born out of state due to the sale of a bred female are eligible as long as all other requirements are met.
2. All animals that meet all other requirements are to be shown by the exhibitor unless prior arrangements have been made with the Chairman of the Hereford Steer and Heifer Special show committee.
 - a. Family emergencies, other projects that conflict timing of exhibition during the fair, multiple entries are included, but not limited too, in such reasoning for a non-owner to exhibit. In these instances, the animal must be shown by a member of the South Dakota Jr. Hereford Association.
3. Any steer or heifer eligible to be exhibited is required to be a representative of the Hereford breed in color and markings.
 - a. The show committee and the South Dakota Hereford Association Board members(who are present) will address any concerns and make a decision of eligibility to be exhibited prior to the start of the show.
 - b. Animals registered by the AHA are subject to be disqualified for color and/or markings.
 - c. Steers must be sired by a registered Hereford bull and be accompanied by a Hereford steer certificate or registration.
 - d. A steer is not eligible if entered or shown in any other breed show or special during the State Fair.
 - e. DNA samples may also be obtained to prove parentage. If animals fail DNA parentage testing the exhibitor will be subject to suspension from the SDJHA.
 - f. **All champions will submit a DNA sample for parentage verification collected by a show committee chairman.**

- g. Premium money will be paid after required DNA tests are completed unless alternative decision has been made by the show committee chairman and/or the SDHA Board.
- 4. Premium money will be awarded in Classes with a Champion and Reserve Champion picked overall as well as the Carcass Contest.
- 5. The South Dakota Hereford Association will be responsible to record and distribute the premium money to the winners.
- 6. Steers and heifers may not show if they do not have an entry form completed and signed or if they have missed entry deadlines.
- 7. 4-H Code of Ethics apply to the show rules.
 - a. Any unethical/unnatural means of altering an animals confirmation will not be allowed including but not limited to:
 - I. Injections, hide separation from the body, and filling the animal by means of pumping, drench tubes, and drench guns are acts that will not be tolerated.
 - II. If such animal is required medical treatment and requires any of said acts mentioned above it must be done by a veterinarian.
- 8. Steers entered in the carcass contest must be exhibited.
- 9. The carcass contest will be based on ultrasound data obtained at the time of check-in.
 - a. All steers that are entered in the Hereford steer special will be ultrasounded and compete in the carcass contest.
 - b. Ultrasound to be paid by the exhibitor.
- 10. Any Junior member living outside the boundaries of South Dakota are eligible if:
 - a. Meet all other requirements mentioned previously besides said animal(s) being fed in SD.
 - b. Show proof that their animal is entered in SD 4-H show at the state fair. Exhibitor may not exhibit 4-H beef in any other state besides South Dakota.
 - c. SDJHA members who has aged out of 4-H and live outside of SD remain eligible for the Hereford Specials if they are active in the SD 4-H beef project area for the final 2 years of their 4-H eligibility. Subpoints b and d will be waived in this circumstance.
 - d. Meet all requirements of SD 4-H.

Award Schedule

Grand Champion Hereford Steer and Heifer	\$1,000
Reserve Champion Hereford Steer and Heifer	\$500
Grand Champion Carcass Steer	\$500
Reserve Champion Carcass Steer	\$400
Carcass Placing 3-10 will split and additional	\$900
Division money included in all said premiums	