NATIONAL AMERICAN BLACK HEREFORD SHOW

SUPERINTENDENT: Ernie Dominguez, ABHA

SHOW: Tuesday, January 5, 2:00 pm

BEGIN RELEASE: When done showing

ALL OUT: Tuesday, January 5, 10:00 pm

1. Animals competing in the National American Black Hereford Show must be registered in the American Black Hereford Association herd book and recorded in the name of the exhibitor/ownership 30 days prior to the show registration deadline.
2. All animals must be properly tattooed and will be inspected at the show. Tattoos must be legible and must match registration papers. Any animal upon check-in, which does not have a legible permanent identification mark (ear tattoo) corresponding to the permanent identification on the registration certificate is ineligible to show. Once disqualified due to an incorrect or illegible permanent identification mark, animals cannot be re-tattooed and rechecked at the show.
3. Altering the conformation or natural appearance of the animal is prohibited. This includes the alternation of the animal's natural hair color and the use of artificial tailheads, switches, or the adding of hair to the animal. Other prohibited products include illegal or unlicensed pharmaceuticals, or artificial filling. Any animal/exhibitor found in violation will be removed from the entered show and will be subject to disciplinary action.
4. Any champion animals may be subject to DNA Parentage Verification (sire only). If discrepancies in parentage are found the animal may be subject to forfeit its winning position and prize money premiums.
5. All cattle must meet the health requirements set out by the Show Management. Any deviation will be just cause for immediate disqualification from the show.
6. Heifers 20 months or older must be safe in calf as verified by a pregnancy certificate and included in a health certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian. The certificate must be presented at the time the animal is checked in. If the animal is open due to being in an embryo transfer program, this fact must be verified by a written statement signed by a license embryo technician to be eligible to show.
7. All bulls above one year of age must show with a nose lead. The right to disqualify from the show any animal deemed unmanageable is reserved by the Show Management. All bulls over 15 months old will be required to have passed a full BSE exam 30 days prior to the first ABHA National show they are entered in. This test will carry through to the last show of the show season.
8. Any person found guilty of misrepresentation by the show and/or ABHA Show Committee including the age of the animal, or not abiding by the show rules, will be disqualified and denied the privilege of show. The case may be referred to the ABHA for further action according to association procedure.

9. The registered owner and/or exhibitor must be a member in good standing with the ABHA. Any animal being shown must be in good standing with the ABHA at time of check-in at any ABHA National show.
10. Classes are subject to change based on the number of entries.
11. Interpretation and/or administration of rules and regulations: If there is a conflict between show rules published in any national Black Hereford show premium rule book and the ABHA National Show rules, the ABHA National show rules will govern.
12. PROTESTS: All protests must be in writing and be accompanied by one hundred and fifty ($150.00) dollars cash or certified check plus cost of protest (testing, etc.), which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Such protest must state plainly the cause of the complaint or appeal and must be delivered to ABHA Staff or ABHA Show Committee immediately after the occasion for such protest. Protests must be submitted either prior to judging or immediately after the conclusion of class judging. Once an animal reaches championship judging, no protest will be accepted. Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation; and depending on the basis of the protest, a decision may be withheld until a thorough investigation is completed. No complaint or appeal that Judges overlooked an animal will be considered.
13. Health Requirements: Specific health requirements for each show should be followed. Exhibitors must refer to applicable show health requirements for more information.
14. Cow-calf, and HX do not compete for overall champion female.

FEMALE CLASSES

Cow-Calf (Any female older than the below ages with a calf at side.)

1. All calves are to be less than 240 days of age on show day.
2. Calf is eligible for individual classes but must be entered in the appropriate class.
3. Females can be F-1, HX, Percentage or Purebred with calves at side being HX, Percentage or Purebred to be eligible to show.
4. F-1 and HX females must have an HB calf at side.
5. Calves on the side of cow-calf pairs MUST BE the cow's natural calf and registered with the ABHA.
6. Cow-calf does not compete for overall champion female.

F-1 Females:

Class 1 – Heifers calved May 1, 2026, and after
Class 2 – Heifers calved March 1 – April 30, 2026
Class 4 – Heifers calved January 1 – February 28, 2026
Class 5 – Heifers calved November 1 – December 31, 2025
Class 6 – Heifers calved August 1 – October 31, 2025
Class 7 – Heifers calved May 1 - July 31, 2025
Class 8 – Heifers calved January 1 – April 30, 2025
Class 9 – Heifers calved September 1 - December 31, 2024

Grand Champion F-1 Female
Reserve Champion F-1 Female

HX Females:

Class 1 – Heifers calved May 1, 2026, and after
Class 2 – Heifers calved March 1 – April 30, 2026
Class 4 – Heifers calved January 1 – February 28, 2026
Class 5 – Heifers calved November 1 – December 31, 2025
Class 6 – Heifers calved August 1 – October 31, 2025
Class 7 – Heifers calved May 1 - July 31, 2025
Class 8 – Heifers calved January 1 – April 30, 2025
Class 9 – Heifers calved September 1 - December 31, 2024

Grand Champion HX Female
Reserve Champion HX Female

Percentage Females:
Class 1 – Heifers calved May 1, 2026, and after
Class 2 – Heifers calved March 1 – April 30, 2026
Class 4 – Heifers calved January 1 – February 28, 2026
Class 5 – Heifers calved November 1 – December 31, 2025
Class 6 – Heifers calved August 1 – October 31, 2025
Class 7 – Heifers calved May 1 - July 31, 2025
Class 8 – Heifers calved January 1 – April 30, 2025
Class 9 – Heifers calved September 1 - December 31, 2024

Grand Champion Percentage Female
Reserve Champion Percentage Female

Purebred Females:
Class 1 – Heifers calved May 1, 2026, and after
Class 2 – Heifers calved March 1 – April 30, 2026
Class 4 – Heifers calved January 1 – February 28, 2026
Class 5 – Heifers calved November 1 – December 31, 2025
Class 6 – Heifers calved August 1 – October 31, 2025
Class 7 – Heifers calved May 1 - July 31, 2025
Class 8 – Heifers calved January 1 – April 30, 2025
Class 9 – Heifers calved September 1 - December 31, 2024

Grand Champion Purebred Female
Reserve Champion Purebred Female

At the conclusion of the Purebred Female show, the F-1, Percentage and Purebred Champion Females will compete for Supreme Champion Female.

BULL CLASSES

- Percentage and Purebred bulls are eligible to show
- Bulls one year of age and older must have nose lead
- Bull maximum age limit day of show is 36 months of age

Percentage Bulls:
Class 1 – Bulls calved May 1, 2026, and after

Class 2 – Bulls calved March 1 – April 30, 2026
Class 3 – Bulls calved January 1 – February 28, 2026
Class 4 – Bulls calved October 1 – December 31, 2025
Class 5 – Bulls calved July 1 – September 30, 2025
Class 6 – Bulls calved April 1 – June 30, 2025
Class 7 – Bulls calved January 1 – March 30, 2025
Class 8 – Bulls calved August 1 – December 31, 2024
Class 9 – Bulls calved January 1 – July 31, 2024

Grand Champion Percentage Bull
Reserve Champion Percentage Bull

Purebred Bulls:

Class 1 – Bulls calved May 1, 2026, and after
Class 2 – Bulls calved March 1 – April 30, 2026
Class 3 – Bulls calved January 1 – February 28, 2026
Class 4 – Bulls calved October 1 – December 31, 2025
Class 5 – Bulls calved July 1 – September 30, 2025
Class 6 – Bulls calved April 1 – June 30, 2025
Class 7 – Bulls calved January 1 – March 30, 2025
Class 8 – Bulls calved August 1 – December 31, 2024
Class 9 – Bulls calved January 1 – July 31, 2024

Grand Champion Purebred Bull
Reserve Champion Purebred Bull

At the conclusion of the Purebred Bull show, the Percentage and Purebred Champion Bulls will compete for Supreme Champion Bull.

NATIONAL AMERICAN JUNIOR BLACK HEREFORD SHOW

SUPERINTENDENT: Ernie Dominguez, ABHA

SHOW: Sunday, January 3, 4:00 pm

BEGIN RELEASE: When done showing

ALL OUT: Tuesday, January 5, 10:00 pm

1. Animals competing in the National American Black Hereford Show must be registered in the American Black Hereford Association herd book and recorded in the name of the exhibitor/ownership 30 days prior to the show registration deadline.
2. To be eligible to exhibit in the Junior division, exhibitors must be a current Junior member of the ABHA, being seven (7) years of age and not more than twenty-one (21) years as of January 1 of the current year.
3. All animals must be properly tattooed and will be inspected at the show. Tattoos must be legible and must match registration papers. Any animal upon check-in, which does not have a legible permanent identification mark (ear tattoo) corresponding to the permanent identification on the registration certificate is ineligible to show. Once disqualified due to an incorrect or illegible permanent identification mark, animals cannot be re-tattooed and rechecked at the show.
4. Altering the conformation or natural appearance of the animal is prohibited. This includes the alternation of the animal's natural hair color and the use of artificial tailheads, switches, or the adding of hair to the animal. Other prohibited products include illegal or unlicensed pharmaceuticals, or artificial filling. Any animal/exhibitor found in violation will be removed from the entered show and will be subject to disciplinary action.
5. Any champion animals may be subject to DNA Parentage Verification (sire only). If discrepancies in parentage are found the animal may be subject to forfeit its winning position and prize money premiums.
6. All cattle must meet the health requirements set out by the Show Management. Any deviation will be just cause for immediate disqualification from the show.
7. Heifers 20 months or older must be safe in calf as verified by a pregnancy certificate and included in a health certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian. The certificate must be presented at the time the animal is checked in. If the animal is open due to being in an embryo transfer program, this fact must be verified by a written statement signed by a license embryo technician to be eligible to show.
8. Any person found guilty of misrepresentation by the show and/or ABHA Show Committee including the age of the animal, or not abiding by the show rules, will be disqualified and denied the privilege of show. The case may be referred to the ABHA for further action according to association procedure.
9. The registered owner/exhibitor must be a member in good standing with the ABHA. Any animal being shown must be in good standing with the ABHA at time of check-in at any ABHA National show.

10. Classes are subject to change based on the number of entries.
11. Interpretation and/or administration of rules and regulations: If there is a conflict between show rules published in any national Black Hereford show premium rule book and the ABHA National Show rules, the ABHA National show rules will govern.
12. PROTESTS: All protests must be in writing and be accompanied by one hundred and fifty ($150.00) dollars cash or certified check plus cost of protest (testing, etc.), which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Such protest must state plainly the cause of the complaint or appeal and must be delivered to ABHA Staff or ABHA Show Committee immediately after the occasion for such protest. Protests must be submitted either prior to judging or immediately after the conclusion of class judging. Once an animal reaches championship judging, no protest will be accepted. Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation; and depending on the basis of the protest, a decision may be withheld until a thorough investigation is completed. No complaint or appeal that Judges overlooked an animal will be considered.
13. Health Requirements: Specific health requirements for each show should be followed. Exhibitors must refer to applicable show health requirements for more information.
14. Cow-calf, and HX do not compete for overall champion female.

FEMALE CLASSES

Cow-Calf

1. Any female older than the below ages with a calf at side.
    a. All calves are to be less than 240 days of age on show day.
    b. Calf is eligible for individual classes but must be entered in the appropriate class.
    c. Females can be F-1, HX, Percentage or Purebred with calves at side being HX, Percentage or Purebred to be eligible to show.
    d. F-1 and HX females must have an HB calf at side.
    e. Calves on the side of cow-calf pairs MUST BE the cow's natural calf and registered with the ABHA.
    f. Cow-calf does not compete for overall champion female.

F-1 Females:

Class 1 – Heifers calved May 1, 2026, and after
Class 2 – Heifers calved March 1 – April 30, 2026
Class 4 – Heifers calved January 1 – February 28, 2026
Class 5 – Heifers calved November 1 – December 31, 2025
Class 6 – Heifers calved August 1 – October 31, 2025
Class 7 – Heifers calved May 1 - July 31, 2025
Class 8 – Heifers calved January 1 – April 30, 2025
Class 9 – Heifers calved September 1 - December 31, 2024

Grand Champion F-1 Female
Reserve Champion F-1 Female

HX Females:

Class 1 – Heifers calved May 1, 2026, and after
Class 2 – Heifers calved March 1 – April 30, 2026

Class 4 – Heifers calved January 1 – February 28, 2026
Class 5 – Heifers calved November 1 – December 31, 2025
Class 6 – Heifers calved August 1 – October 31, 2025
Class 7 – Heifers calved May 1 - July 31, 2025
Class 8 – Heifers calved January 1 – April 30, 2025
Class 9 – Heifers calved September 1 - December 31, 2024

Grand Champion HX Female
Reserve Champion HX Female

Percentage Females:
Class 1 – Heifers calved May 1, 2026, and after
Class 2 – Heifers calved March 1 – April 30, 2026
Class 4 – Heifers calved January 1 – February 28, 2026
Class 5 – Heifers calved November 1 – December 31, 2025
Class 6 – Heifers calved August 1 – October 31, 2025
Class 7 – Heifers calved May 1 - July 31, 2025
Class 8 – Heifers calved January 1 – April 30, 2025
Class 9 – Heifers calved September 1 - December 31, 2024

Grand Champion Percentage Female
Reserve Champion Percentage Female

Purebred Females:
Class 1 – Heifers calved May 1, 2026, and after
Class 2 – Heifers calved March 1 – April 30, 2026
Class 4 – Heifers calved January 1 – February 28, 2026
Class 5 – Heifers calved November 1 – December 31, 2025
Class 6 – Heifers calved August 1 – October 31, 2025
Class 7 – Heifers calved May 1 - July 31, 2025
Class 8 – Heifers calved January 1 – April 30, 2025
Class 9 – Heifers calved September 1 - December 31, 2024

Grand Champion Purebred Female
Reserve Champion Purebred Female

At the conclusion of the Purebred Female show, the F-1, Percentage and Purebred Champion Females will compete for Supreme Champion Female.