

## **Rules – 2023-2024 Show Season Braunvieh Ring of Excellence Shows**

1. The rules of the Braunvieh Association of America (BAA) and \_\_\_\_\_(name of show)\_\_\_\_\_ will govern the show.
2. Animals competing in the Braunvieh Show must be duly registered in the BAA Herd Book. A copy of the registration may be used for Braunvieh check-in.
3. Exhibitors must be in good standing with the BAA.
4. All animals exhibited must have a DNA profile on file with the Braunvieh Association of America. A hair, tissue or blood sample on the subject animal must be received by the BAA or BAA representative prior to the show. Nursing calves showing only at side of their dam are exempt from the DNA requirement. If nursing calves show in individual classes, they must then have a DNA sample on file.
5. All animals exhibited must have a known Braunvieh dam or sire and are subject to DNA verification.
6. Animals must be Fullblood or Purebred to qualify for the FB/PB Braunvieh Show. Braunvieh Beef Builders will be shown in a separate Beef Builder Show. Cattle recorded as “Braunvieh Influence” with a “BI” prefix are not eligible.
7. The BAA reserves the right to provide the judge and audience with the Expected Progeny Difference (EPD) values, ultrasound data (collected by a certified technician), scrotal circumference for bulls, weights and ratios for performance and weights with weight-per-day of age. Performance figures, (including weights, hip heights, and frame scores), can be presented in their entirety or any combination deemed necessary by the BAA.
8. Heifers born Sept. 1, 2021 and after will show in the heifer show but can show with natural calves at side and still be eligible to show for champion female/heifer.
9. Heifers exhibited at 20 months of age or older (not females in cow/calf class) must be pregnant and accompanied by a certificate of pregnancy by a licensed veterinarian, or show with a natural calf at side. For heifers used in embryo transfer, a certificate of positive fertility issued by a licensed veterinarian must be available for inspection. Any protest on pregnancy will be handled with a blood test to prove the pregnancy status.
10. Females born on or prior to Aug. 31, 2021 must show in the cow/calf class with a natural born calf at side. The pair will not be eligible for champion female/heifer. The registration status of the cow (FB/PB or Beef Builder) will determine the division the pair shows in. Calves from the cow/calf class can be no more than 230 days of age by date of show and calves can also be entered as individuals in the show (additional entry fee).
11. Bulls exhibited at 14 months of age or older must have a positive semen test and a certificate to that effect. The certificate must be available for inspection. Bulls 12 months and older will have a nose ring or nose lead to be shown
12. Altering animals’ natural color will not be allowed, violation will result in disqualification.
13. No cosmetic surgeries other than surgical dehorning will be allowed, violation will result in disqualification.
14. Only generally accepted fitting practices will be allowed. Violation will be cause for disqualification. Show committee will make ruling on case by case basis. Animals disqualified will forfeit entry fees, awards and show points.
15. Protests can be made to the Show committee with a \$150.00 protest fee, within 24 hours of the show or prior to release, whichever is first, in writing to BAA staff or show committee members. Show committee will make rulings on a case-by-case basis. Animals disqualified will forfeit entry fees, awards and show points. If ruling in favor of protest, fee will be refunded. If ruling against, the fee will be forfeited.
16. Appeals can be made to the Show committee with a \$150 appeal fee. Appeals will be forwarded with all information to the ethics committee and Executive Vice President. If appeal is granted, fee will be returned with reinstatement of show points and any other forfeited entry fees and awards. If appeal is denied, fee will be forfeited. Decision of ethics committee and Executive Vice President will be final.

## **Female and Bull Classes**

Beef Builders and Fullblood/Purebreds will compete in separate shows.

Entries in the Heifer Show must be born Sept. 1, 2021 and after.

Entries in the Cow-Calf Show must be born Aug. 31, 2021 or before and show with a calf at side.

Entries in the Bull Show must be born Jan. 1, 2021 and after.

## **Group Classes**

Group Classes may include Beef Builders and/or Fullblood/Purebreds. All animals must be shown in their individual classes to be eligible. Cow and/or calf may be included in group classes as individuals, not as a pair.

- Produce-of-Dam: Two animals, either sex, both from one registered Braunvieh or Beef Builder dam, may be owned by one or more exhibitors.
- Get-of-Sire: Three animals, either sex, all by one registered Braunvieh or Beef Builder sire, may be owned by more than one exhibitor.
- Breeder's Best Four Head: Four animals, either or both sexes, bred by one breeder. Not necessarily owned by the breeder or one exhibitor. Cattle bred by a junior member may be included if the breeder of the Best Four Head is an individual or married couple and is the parent or legal guardian of the junior member.

## **Junior Shows**

Age requirements for junior members in BAA affiliated Junior Braunvieh Shows:

Junior Show entries must be owned by members of the Junior Braunvieh Association of America at least 7 years old and not more than 21 years old on Jan. 1 of the year of the show. We recognize that some Stock Shows have specific minimum age limits for participation that override these recommendations.