

# NORFOLK AREA

## Chamber of Commerce

**70th Annual Norfolk Beef Expo**  
**Open to the entire state of Nebraska**

Date: **Sunday, September 8, 2019**  
Place: Northeast Community College Chuck M. Pohlman Ag Complex, located on 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, 2019, 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 or the Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce office. **A non-refundable entry fee of \$25** must accompany the entry form for each calf entered. Entry forms must be **complete and signed** by the county Extension educator or FFA adviser, and sent to the Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce office *postmarked* no later than **Friday, August 30, 2019**. Entries can be *hand delivered* to a Beef Expo committee member or the Norfolk Area Chamber office by **Tuesday, September 3, 2018**.
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 cattle following the show. Grand and reserve champion steers and heifers are required to sell. This year's auction will again be 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 Disclose 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 cattle (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. A minimal fee will be charged to cover costs associated with the sale. The Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce will mail disbursements to exhibitors upon receipt of the Tyson payment approximately two 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.

8. Substitutions of calves will not be allowed after **4pm on Friday, September 6, 2019**. All substitutions must be faxed to the Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce office at (402)371-0182.
9. The NECC Ag Complex will be open at noon on Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. All calves must be checked in on **Saturday, September 7, 2018**, from **4pm to 6pm**. No calves will be checked in after 6pm. Only calves shown will be eligible for the sale.
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 steer and heifer titles. Judging will begin at **9am Sunday, September 8<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 5 p.m. on Sunday. 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) \$20 cash payment, and; f) Grievance must be signed.

**College scholarship available.** High school juniors and seniors who exhibit at the Beef Expo are eligible for a \$500 scholarship from the Agri-Business Council. Applications are available on the Norfolk Area Chamber website.

Some motels will have blocks of rooms available for exhibitors and their families.