

# East Coast Cattle Circuit



## Mission Statement:

*The goal of the East Coast Cattle Circuit is to recognize the beef cattle exhibitors who strive to exhibit quality cattle throughout the region by accumulating points at recognized shows.*

## Rules & Regulations:

1. Membership is open to exhibitors ages 3-21 (as of January 1 of the current year).
2. Cost of membership is \$25 per exhibitor and is due by February 19 of the current year. If a member decides to join after February 19 they will be charged \$35 per exhibitor and points ARE NOT retroactive and will accrue from the time of membership.
3. Verification of age and residency may be requested at any time.
4. All cattle will be identified by tattoo.
5. Each member is allowed to nominate an unlimited number of cattle they would like to show throughout the show season. The first 2 head of cattle are included in the \$25 membership fee, beyond 2 head the cost will be \$25 per head. **Awards will be given to a maximum of 2 head (with the highest points) per exhibitor per year.** Points on the nominated cattle will be collected at sanctioned shows only. Sanctioned shows- WVU Block & Bridle Bonanza, Empire State Beef Classic, The Big East East Arena, The Big East Kent Arena the lowest pointed show will be dropped from the total points.
6. Nomination forms must be filled out and signed by the exhibitor of the cattle and submitted by February 19 of the current year.
7. Animals MUST be exhibited by a member in good standing of the East Coast Cattle Circuit. In the event a conflict occurs (example: a member has 2 animals in the same class) and assistance is needed, the assistance MUST be a duly recognized member in good standing of the East Coast Cattle Circuit. If an animal is shown by a Non-East Coast Cattle Circuit member, no points will be awarded for that particular animal in that show.
8. The committee of the East Coast Cattle Circuit reserves the right to reject or refuse any membership.
9. The East Coast Cattle Circuit will support the health requirements and Code of Ethics of each show. Failure to comply may result in the loss of points for that show.
10. Showmanship ages are Pee-Wee (ages 3-8), Junior (ages 9-12), Intermediate (ages 13-16), and Senior (ages 17-21).
11. A social media awards presentation will be done after the last show is wrapped up. Awards will be given away to, Top 5 Steers, Top 5 Heifers, and Top 5 Showmanship Exhibitors in each division.
12. In the event of a tie, the showmanship scores will be used to break the tie.
13. Points will only be given on the open/youth shows.
14. There will be no steer leases allowed. All heifer leases are accepted.
15. Breed Association rules will supersede the East Coast Cattle Circuit rules.
16. Following each show a *Points Form* must be submitted for each East Coast Cattle Circuit member. It must be postmarked within 7 days of the last day of the show. All forms must be mailed to East Coast Cattle Circuit Attn: Elena Hovagimian, 1305 Memorial Avenue West Springfield, MA 01089, emailed to [bigeast@thebige.com](mailto:bigeast@thebige.com) or faxed to 413-205-5104. Forms submitted beyond the 7 days WILL NOT be accepted. The *Points Form* is the only way you will receive credit for your placings. The points will be taken based off of what is submitted by the exhibitor. No points will be accepted via phone, email etc. NO EXCEPTIONS.

**\*\*MAKE SURE TO DOUBLE CHECK YOUR POINTS BEFORE SUBMITTING\*\***

## *Shows & Point System:*

### **Sanctioned Shows:** (Points will be taken from 4 shows. The lowest pointed show will be dropped)

-WVU Block & Bridle Bonanza    -Empire State Beef Classic    -The Big East: East Arena  
-The Big East: Kent Arena

### **Heifer/Steer Point System:**

Class Points: 1st- 10 Points    2nd- 8 Points    3rd- 6 Points    4th- 4 Points    5th- 2 Points

Weight Champion- 15 Points (Ex: Champion Lightweight Steer etc.)

Weight Champion- 10 Points

Breed Champion- 25 Points (Ex: Champion Hereford Heifer, Champion Maine Heifer etc.)

Reserve Breed Champion- 20 Points

Overall Champion- 35 Points

Reserve Overall Champion- 30 Points

### **Showmanship Point System:**

Division Champion Showman- 25 Points (Ex: Champion Junior Showman)

Reserve Division Champion Showman- 20 Points

3rd Division Showman- 15 Points

4th Division Showman- 10 Points

5th Division Showman- 5 Points

Overall Champion Showman- 35 Points

Reserve Overall Champion Showman- 30 Points

## *Awards:*

**\*These titles will receive awards at the year end presentations\***

### **Top 5:**

Heifers

Steers

Showman (of each division)- 20 total awards for Showmanship

## *2018 Committee Members:*

**Donna Woolam- Big East**

**Elena Hovagimian- Big East**

**Laura Kwilos- Empire State Beef Classic**

**Jessica Underberg- Empire State Beef Classic**

**Kirby Dygert- Empire State Beef Classic**