

## SCRAMBLE CALF DIVISION

Arrival Time - Friday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Judging Date – Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 a.m.

Check-out – Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, by 6:00 p.m.

### **RULES FOR 2021 SCRAMBLE SHOW EXHIBITORS:**

1. This division is subject to the General Rules and these Division rules. If an exhibitor requires a General Exception Form (refer to Page 2), it will be due on January 12, 2021. Each application will be reviewed for compliance.
2. No grooming material is allowed. This is a "Blow and Go" Show. All heifers will be shown with hair in a natural state WITHOUT the use of glues, adhesives, paints, etc. Heifers with any type of glue, paint, adhesive, etc. in the hair will be disqualified and premiums forfeited. Heifers will be toweled.
3. Stomach pumping, drench tubes or any other method (by esophagus) is prohibited.
4. The breed categories will consist of:
  - a. American
  - b. English
  - c. Exotic
5. An online entry is required, but there is no entry fee for the Scramble Calf Show. If you wish to enter the Breeding Beef Show and/or Replacement Heifer Show, entry will need to be submitted online and entry fees of \$20.00 for each show will be charged. Scramble calves may participate in the Replacement Heifer Show & Sale but will have to tag in on October 6<sup>th</sup>. Scramble Heifers may participate in the Breeding Beef Show but will have to validate on January 12<sup>th</sup>. All rules for the Breeding Beef Show and Replacement Heifer Show and Sale will apply (if applicable, refer to these rules for show requirements).
6. Entries must be completed by Friday, February 5, 2021 at 5:00PM.
7. All Breeding Stock must be double-tied.
8. No bedding hay.
9. With regard to Calf Scramble Show placement:
  - a. Belt buckles will be given to Grand and Reserve Champion of Show
  - b. Rosettes will be given to Grand and Reserve Champion of Breeds
  - c. All others will receive ribbons
10. The following scholarship money will be given:
  - A. \$3,000.00 for First Place overall;
  - B. \$2,000.00 for Second Place overall; and
  - C. \$1,000.00 for Third Place overall

Exhibitors will be judged to determine overall placement as follows: 10% - Calf Placement in Show; 30% - Presentation of Heifer and Personal Interview and 60% - Essays and Monthly Reports. The overall placement may be determined by the following weighted factors, including but not limited to: Completeness, Neatness, Accuracy, Timeliness and Comments of Monthly Progress Reports, Photographs; Sportsmanship; Presentation of Heifer and Personal Interview; Calf Scramble Show; Essays; Scrapbook; and Showmanship. The scholarship money will be funded directly to the college, University or institution of higher learning of the exhibitor's choice upon satisfactory proof of enrollment.

11. Once each month, the exhibitor will be required to make a progress report on their animal. The reports are marked late if they arrive at the Fair Office after the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. They are due by 5:00 p.m. No faxes will be accepted. Should the 10<sup>th</sup> fall on a Saturday or Sunday, the reports will be due the following Monday. Monthly progress reports must be submitted to the Montgomery County Fair Association Office, the sponsors, and the exhibitors CEA or VAT. By February 1, 2021, by 5:00 p.m., exhibitors must submit a 1500-word essay on "MY BEEF CALF SCRAMBLE PROJECT". By November 1, 2020, by 5:00 p.m., exhibitors must submit a 500-word essay on "WHY I SELECTED A (BREED) FOR MY SCRAMBLE PROJECT."

12. Scramble exhibitors who **SUCCESSFULLY** complete all phases of their project to the satisfaction of the Committee Leadership and the Fair Association will be awarded \$250.00 at the completion of all Fair activities. Successful completion includes compliance with all requirement set forth in the MCFA Official Rule Book including Calf Scramble Division Rules. The timely submission of all required monthly reports, scrapbook, 500 & 1500-word essay's and exhibiting the heifer at next year's fair will be confirmed as part of the committee's decision to determine award eligibility. The decision of the Committee Leadership and the Fair Association is final. This reward check will be mailed to the exhibitor after the Fair.

### **RULES THAT APPLY TO 2021 SCRAMBLERS:**

1. Open to all 4-H and FFA members that are enrolled in public, private, parochial schools or Home Educated Students. Even if an exhibitor has been through the program once, they are eligible to participate in the program again, but only after they have sat out of the program for the year following their participation. They would then be placed at the bottom of the list giving exhibitors who have not participated in the program an opportunity to do so.

2. Participants must have reached their 12<sup>th</sup>, but not their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday on January 1, 2021, and not be enrolled beyond their junior year in high school. Participants must weigh at least 100 pounds. Selection of Calf Scramble participants will be done through the 4-H and FFA.

3. Heifers MUST BE PURCHASED BY EXHIBITORS NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, following the 2021 Show. Payment on scramble certificates will not be made to the seller until transferred Registration Certificate and health papers, properly completed by a licensed veterinarian, and received in the Fair Office. Registration certificates must be transferred and/or recorded in the exhibitor's name on or before November 1, 2021. Scramble heifer must be under the daily care of the exhibitor by Replacement Heifer tag-in.

4. Heifer must be purebred and registered in the Association records of one of the following breeds: ARB, ORB, Beefmaster, Brahman, Brangus, Red Brangus, Santa Gertrudis, Simbrah, Angus, Hereford/Polled Hereford, Red Angus, Shorthorn, Charolais, Limousin, Maine Anjou and Simmental.

5. If you are awarded a calf in the 2021 Scramble, the calf you select to show in the 2022 show must have been born between JULY 1, 2020 and MARCH 31, 2021.

6. Should any participant in the Calf Scramble fail to catch a calf because of unusual or extenuating circumstances and is then awarded a heifer by some member of the audience or hard luck sponsor, said participant will participate in all events offered to the scramble exhibitors. The exhibitor must care for the heifer under the Calf Scramble Rules and the donor will become a Calf Scramble Sponsor.

7. Scramble catchers ARE REQUIRED to exhibit their heifer at the 2022 Montgomery County Fair. Exceptions will be considered by the Officer-In-Charge and the Chairman on a case by case basis. The original registration papers will be mailed approximately two weeks after the heifers have been shown. Failure of an exhibitor to participate and exhibit their heifer at the 2022 Montgomery County Fair may result in the exhibitor being required to refund all scramble certificate monies to the Montgomery County Fair Association, exceptions will be considered by the Officer-In-Charge and the Chairman on a case by case basis; the original registration papers will not be mailed to the exhibitor until said monies have been refunded to the Montgomery County Fair Association, and the above is hereby acknowledged and agreed to by the exhibitor

as a condition of participating in the calf scramble program, and/or may forfeit all rights and privileges to enter, participate and/or exhibit in the future at the Montgomery County Fair.

8. Sponsors are obtained for the exhibitors and a purchase certificate not to exceed \$1,750 will be made out to the seller of the calf. Scramble exhibitors who **SUCCESSFULLY** complete all phases of their project to the satisfaction of the Committee Leadership and the Fair Association will be awarded \$250.00 at the completion of all Fair activities. Successful completion includes compliance with all requirement set forth in the MCFA Official Rule Book including Calf Scramble Division Rules. The timely submission of all required monthly reports, scrapbook, 500 & 1500-word essay's and exhibiting the heifer at next year's fair will be confirmed as part of the committee's decision to determine award eligibility. The decision of the Committee Leadership and the Fair Association is final. This reward check will be mailed to the exhibitor after the Fair.

**9. A MEETING WILL BE SCHEDULED IN MAY IN ORDER TO PICK UP CALF SCRAMBLE CERTIFICATES.** A thank you note to the sponsor MUST be turned in at this time and payment will be due also at this time for (2) scramble pictures. The Fair Office will mail the thank you note along with one picture to the sponsor.

<https://www.mcfa.org/events/2021/scramble-heifer-show>