



P.O. Box 820 | Black River Falls | WI | 54659

# Round Robin Overall Livestock Showmanship Contest

The goal of the Round Robin is for the top showmen in each Dairy, Beef, Swine, Sheep and Goat to compete for the top overall showman award in a fun and safe manner. Members will learn to work with other members and gain showmanship skills and knowledge for the other species. In addition to educating themselves, the audience will also learn what is important to know concerning showmanship of the different species.

## Rules:

1. To qualify, entrants from the Senior, Intermediate, and Junior showmanship winners of their species will compete. In the event an entrant is a winner more than one species, that member must pick the species he or she would like to show. The member who placed second in that species would then be allowed to participate. If anyone cannot participate for any reason, the next winner in line would be chosen.
  - a. Once a show person has won the Round Robin Showmanship, they are ineligible to compete for it again for that age group.
  - b. If for whatever reason an entire species cannot be shown, another species may be asked to join if there are enough members in that species.
2. Members must bring the animal they won showmanship with. If for whatever reason their animal is deemed unsafe, another animal in that species will be chosen by the Superintendent of the Round Robin.
3. All showmen will wear the showmanship clothes appropriate for the species they are representing. This will also educate audience of proper show attire. Minimum acceptable dress for Livestock Showmanship shall be long-sleeved shirt, shoes, (no tennis shoes) long pants. Exhibitors should dress according to showmanship dress codes for their entered species.
  - a. Additional requirements
    - i. **Dairy** – must use show halter
    - ii. **Beef** – must be handled by halter and show stick
    - iii. **Swine** – must be handled with show stick
    - iv. **Sheep** – must be handled by the head.
    - v. **Goat** – must be handled with a collar
  - b. ALL animals must be clean, but no fitting products are to be used, except fly spray.
4. Each member will start at their own designated station with their animal. A minimum of two questions will be asked and then they will be asked to lead and set up the animal, or what ever is proper for that animal in showmanship. This will be done for all 3 competitors in each station. After 10 minutes they will be asked to move to the next station with the Sr. taking the Sr. animal, Intermediate the animal of the Intermediate showman, and the same for the Jr. The process will repeat until all species have been completed. Rotations will be in a clockwise direction.



P.O. Box 820 | Black River Falls | WI | 54659

5. Judges of each species will be past qualified showman that have been deemed impartial by the Superintendent. The Overall Livestock Showman Contest will begin at 11 a.m. on Sunday, and conclude at 12:00 p.m. A system of station judging shall be used, with one judge at each of the 3 class stations. The judge's discretion determines scoring and there are no automatic disqualifications.
6. Scores will be kept by each judge with 10-minute rotations and totaled at the end of the contest. Winners in each age group will be named at the Parade of Champions. A tie will be broken by splitting the prize if applicable or the member that didn't have a low score in any of the individual species.

AWARDS: Prizes will be given based on sponsored donations, and no premiums will be paid. (Melrose-Mindoro FFA Alumni will sponsor this event)