

NJAA SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

The purpose of this contest is to evaluate junior members on their ability to present you and your animal in the best form possible. It is the appearance, presentation, and the knowledge of your animal and the beef industry. The basis for judging will not include the individual excellence of the heifers shown by the contestants, but rather the skill, handling and response of the animal to the contestant, sportsmanship, and the ability to follow instructions during the contest.

Supervision of the Showmanship Contest at the National Junior Angus Show will be under the direction of the Events & Junior Activities Department of the American Angus Association. Contestants must be a junior, life or regular member of the American Angus Association PRIOR to participating in the contest.

Showmanship Contest Rules

1. Each contestant must register to participate in the showmanship contest prior to the final entry deadline.
2. The contest is available to the following age divisions, as of January 1 of the current year:
Junior A (8-10)
Junior B (11-13)
Intermediate A (14-15)
Intermediate B (16-17)
3. Once you have competed in the National Showmanship Contest you cannot participate in the NJAA Showmanship Contest. A participant may not compete in both contests in the same year.
4. Contestants do not have to show their own animal, but the animal exhibited in the showmanship contest must be entered in the National Junior Angus Show. No bulls or cow/calf pairs are allowed in showmanship.
5. Grooming or fitting with foreign material that includes (but not limited to) painting, powdering, foam, human hair products, artificial coloring, or adhesives is prohibited. Sheen, fly spray, and oil are permitted.
6. Any exhibitor who loses control of his or her entry more than twice in the show ring will be asked to remove the animal from the ring.
7. No 'cable halters', 'prong leads' or any other halters or leads classified as such will be allowed during the contest.
8. Junior Angus exhibitors are required to wear tucked-in, collared shirts while in the show ring unless otherwise sponsored.
9. Preliminary classes will be established, not to exceed fifteen (15) in any one class.
10. The top ten individuals in each of the age divisions will be recognized.
11. **THE AMERICAN ANGUS ASSOCIATION IS NOT HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS.**