

OVDDBA Show Regulations

The Ohio Valley Dexter Breeders Association annual show is a relaxed, family and youth friendly event. We strive to be welcoming and helpful, and value the diverse Dexter breeders who attend our show.

Registration Requirements:

- Class cost to register: \$20.
- Showmanship classes are free.
- To register for the show the participant/breeder must be a current member of the OVDDBA or a child/grandchild of a current member.
- Registrations shall be received by April 15th.
 - late entries may be accepted no later than May 1st at the OVDDBA's discretion.
- Cattle must be registered in ADCA, Legacy or PDCA to qualify for entry.
 - **If registration number is not provided by the owner by May 1st entry will be removed from the show.**
- **Calves being shown only in the cow/calf class need not be registered.**
- **Calves under 3 months of age must be eligible to be registered.**
- Same-class substitutions will be allowed until May 1st when the show bill is finalized.
- No refunds will be given on **entry fees** if you **or the animal** are unable to attend **or are disqualified for any reason from showing.**
- For sale only dexters may be brought for \$20 stall fee.

Animal Identification and Health Requirements:

- All cattle must have legible form of identification **that coincides with their registration.**
- All animals must be free from contagious disease and viruses and will be subject to a visual inspection upon arrival/check-in by the show committee.
 - Animals found to be contagious/infected upon check-in will not be allowed to unload and will be sent home.
- Out of state animals must meet Ohio requirements for transportation across state lines.

General Barn Regulations:

- Any animal deemed unmanageable by the Show Committee before or during the show, will be required to leave the show arena. Cattle dismissed in this fashion are not eligible for show placing. Any animal deemed unmanageable will have to be confined to a livestock trailer.
- All animals must be double tied in the barn with both a halter and a neck-tie. Nursing calves may run loose with their dam if both are contained in a secure pen area, but the dam must still be double tied.
- All cattle, stalls, and equipment areas must be kept clean and presentable for the duration of the show.
- Every precaution will be taken to protect participants and their animals. However, neither the OVDDBA, the Show Committee, the location of the event, nor the supervisors or their assistants will be responsible for the accidents or loss associated with the participants and their animals.
- Bedding will be supplied.
- Hay may be available for reservation and purchase.
- Electrical outlets will be available for fans and other needs, to be shared.
- Wash racks are available.
- Exhibitors may bring their own grooming chutes.

Exhibitor Guidelines

- The Show Committee will have final authority to uphold established rules and regulations.
- Exhibitors must be current members of the Ohio Valley Dexter Breeders Association, or a child/grandchild of a current member.

- Premiums/Awards Per Class:

Showmanship:

Grand Champion Youth and Adult Showmanship: Buckle & Rosette

Reserve Champion Youth & Adult Showmanship: Buckle & Rosette

Animal Classes:

First: \$40

Second: \$30

Third: \$20

Grand Champion Female/Bull: \$100

Reserve Grand Champion Female/Bull: \$50

Grand Champion Steer: \$100

Reserve Grand Champion Steer: \$50

Best in Show: Banner & Buckle

- The Grand Champion Female, Bull and Steer of the Open Show will be eligible for this award -

Showmanship Classes:

- Showmanship classes are free and shall be entered by April 15th.
 - late entries may be accepted by 4:00 the day prior to the show at the OVDBA's discretion.
- An exhibitor's age on the day of the show will determine class eligibility.
- No bulls over 3 months old may be shown in any Showmanship class.
- Peewee Youth Showmanship: 3-6 years old (child must lead cow/calf on their own with adult supervision).
- Junior Youth Showmanship: 7-12 years old.
- Senior Youth Showmanship: 13-17 years old.
- Adult Showmanship: 18 years and older.

Dress Code:

- The following show attire will be required and enforced in the show ring for anyone presenting cattle: Collared/buttoned shirts (full button or polo/golf), long pants (jeans or slacks) or skirts, boots or fully enclosed heavy footwear must be worn for safety reasons.
- Optional: belt, western hats, gloves or the use of show sticks and combs.
- No personal farm names on attire can be worn while in the show ring (OVDBA logos on appropriate clothing is allowed).

Cattle Grooming Regulations:

- The Show Committee will advise the judge regarding grooming requirements and expectations prior to the show. This will encourage the judge to look at the animal closely, not at the grooming capability of the exhibitor.
- Cattle can be clipped, either fully, partially, or not at all.
- No painting or polishing of hooves, artificial coat coloring, implants, drugs or adhesives will be allowed.

Sales:

- Sales are by private contract.
- **Breeders are encouraged to donate a commission to OVDBA on all animals sold at the show.**
- Signs for animals that are offered for sale may be displayed at the animal's stall.
- Animals for sale will be identified in the show bill if registered by April 15th.