



Dundalk Show Society CLG

CATTLE Schedule of Competitions

Dundalk Agricultural Show 2026

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GENERAL RULES

The Show is managed by the Directors, Committee and Sub-Committees. All persons entering the Showground are subject to the directions of Stewards and the Secretary. All exhibits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor. Entries must be accompanied by the correct fee. While every reasonable care will be taken, the organisers accept no responsibility for accident, loss or damage to exhibits, exhibitors or spectators. Judges may withhold prizes where merit is insufficient. Objections must be lodged with the Secretary on the day of judging with a €20 fee. No exhibit may be removed before **5.30pm**. A 5% Irish Shows Association levy applies to prize money in relevant livestock sections. Vehicles and trailers are parked at owner's risk. Disputes will be dealt with under ISA procedures. **XL Bully-type dogs are strictly prohibited on the Showground.** Please always exercise caution and follow Steward instructions. All animals must be led by a competent adult and must not be tied to trailers. Dogs must be always kept on a lead.

Irish Shows Association c/o The Secretary, Tullyrahan, Drumakill, Castleblaney, Co. Monaghan. Full rules:

www.irishshows.org/rules

CATTLE COMPETITIONS

Head of Cattle Section: Michael Roddy 087 411 2693

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Full address and Eircode must be supplied for all entries. Prize money will be paid by cheque after the show. Please note that a 5% ISA levy will be deducted from all prize money.

All Animals MUST be Halter Trained

Note for Information regarding Movement of Bovine to Shows

The Department of Agriculture implemented a few changes on 4th February 2019 which changed the procedures and criteria applicable when applying for a Certificate of Compliance for the movement of cattle. These also impact on the certificate which is required when moving a bovine to a Show.

The following sets out the criteria applicable:

- The movement of cattle to and from an Agriculture Show within the State must be recorded on the Animal Identification and Movement System (AIM).
- In line with these changes a specific certificate of Compliance for the "Movement of Bovine from a Single Holding to a Show" must now be requested prior to the movement of animals concerned.
- These certificates can be created by (i) applying on-line using their agfood account or (ii) where the keeper is not online the certificate can be generated by the local Regional Veterinary Office following receipt of a NBAS31K with issue of the certificate being subject to normal criteria applicable. This form will be available on the Department's Website and will also be included with the Show Circular when issued.
- When applying for this certificate the destination herd / or Show number is not required. The certificate generated will include an "S" symbol.
- The Certificate of Compliance for a Show will continue to be valid for a period of up to 30 days. As is currently the case these can be used for the movement of animals to a few shows during the validity period of the certificate.
- Please also note—Calves which are less than 10 days cannot be moved to a Show

As is currently the case the Movement Notification Section of the Certificate should be Completed by the Keeper and the Show Secretary who must clearly indicate the Show Number. The Show movement should be recorded on the passport. Ultimate responsibility for fulfilling these requirements lies with the Show Secretary. If the animals move to a herd other than the source herd,

The new destination herd must complete and sign the certificate also.

Completed forms should be sent by the Show Secretary to the local RVO within 7 days of the Show.

Animal Identification and Movement (AIM) Division,
Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

Specific Requirements

TB

All animals must come from herds, which are not restricted, and the herd and relevant animals must have had a clear test within the previous 12 months. No pre-movement test is required for TB. However, it is recommended by the Department that a 30-day pre-movement test for TB should apply to all Shows.

Brucellosis

- a. All animals must come from herds which are not restricted.
- b. Certain animals (i.e. females aged 18 months and over and bulls aged 24 months and over) must have passed a test for Brucellosis within the previous 60 days. However, these animals may move to any number of Shows within the validity period of the same 60-day pre-movement test. Where such an animal(s) is/are being shown repeatedly during successive 60 day validity periods, in the course of a show season, the animal(s) may be allowed to move on foot of Permit ER 36A during the expired portion of a valid test where the animal is under test for the next validity period and the identity card/passport is held by the DVO/practitioner.

Identification

All cattle must bear double plastic tags as issued under the Department's identification system. They must be accompanied by their passports (except in the circumstances outlined in the preceding sub-paragraph).

Bulls for A.I Stations

In addition to the T.B. and Brucellosis tests, bulls destined for A.I Stations must be tested for I.B.R. (Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis), E.B.L. (Enzootic Bovine Leukosis), B.V.D. (Bovine Virus Diarrhoea) and Johnes Disease, within 30 days prior to movement into such stations.

AIM Notification

The movement of Irish-registered cattle to and from an Agricultural Show within the State must be recorded on AIM using form CMMS 4 (available from local DVOs). Ultimate responsibility for fulfilling this requirement lies with the Show Secretary. The keeper of the animal(s) should complete sections 2 and 3(a) of the CMMS 4 form while Section 3(b) should be completed by the Show Secretary. Completed forms should be sent to the District Veterinary Office in the county where the show is being held within 7 days of movement.

Imports from Northern Ireland

It is very important that any proposal to import cattle to a show is made known to the local District Veterinary Office well in advance so that consideration can be given to compliance with the requirements outlined below.

Premises

The Show premises at which the cattle will reside for the duration of their stay must either be an assembly centre approved for exports or of such a standard as being capable of being approved for such a purpose temporarily. A fundamental requirement for such premises is that they have surfaces that are capable of being cleaned and disinfected and have adequate cleaning and disinfection facilities. Adequate segregation facilities may be required also (see under "Status of Animals" below)

Status of Animals

Cattle from Northern Ireland being moved to a show must be certified in accordance with the normal requirements for intracommunity trade in breeding animals including having passed a T.B. test. (export interpretation) during the 30 days prior to export and a brucellosis test in the case of eligible animals (females and entire males over 12 months) during the 30 days prior to leaving the herd of origin. To comply with eligibility requirements for re-importation into Northern Ireland after the show, cattle must not mix with any cattle of a lesser health status whilst at the show: (This can be achieved in one of two ways: (i) either the imported animals are kept segregated fully from other cattle at the show which have not been tested or (ii) all cattle attending the show must have been TB (export interpretation) within 30 days and all cattle from Northern Ireland attending the show must have been brucellosis tested within 30 days as set out above.

Documentation

Cattle imported to a show from Northern Ireland must be accompanied by an original breeding animal intra-trade health certificate (known as a TRACES certificate) and a passport for each animal. A TRACES message, corresponding with the TRACES certificate, will be sent for each animal or consignment being dispatched to the show (this will be performed by officials in the dispatching country). For the return journey, this original certificate must be endorsed by the signature of the official veterinarian of the Department at the show, together with the official stamp of the competent authority and date of endorsement. A TRACES message will be sent for the return journey also (this will be performed by Department Officials attending the show) in addition a non-ecomangement certificate must be issued by the official veterinarian for the show at or before return, stating that the animal shows no clinical signs of disease and has not been in contact, during its stay at the show/event, with animals of a lesser health status. The passport must accompany the animal on the return journey also. The Show Secretary should complete a CMMS 5 form in respect of animals imported to take part in the show. The owner of the imported animal(s) is required to sign the form also when the animal arrives at the show and provide his/her herd number. Following the show, the official veterinarian should complete the bottom portion of the CMMS 5 form also confirming that he has stamped the official Health Certificate and that he has issued a Non-Ecomangement Certificate. The completed CMMS 5 form should then be forwarded to NBAS Division, Administration Building, Back Weston Campus, Back Weston, Celbridge, Co Kildare- to enable recording of the movement. A carbon copy of the form will be provided for the Show Secretary, the official vet and the herd keeper of the animal(s). CMMS 5 forms are available from local District Veterinary Offices (DVOs) or the Cattle Movement Notification Agency, Clonakilty, Co Cork

SIMMENTAL

Entry Fee: €10 unless otherwise stated.

Simmental Champion of the Show: Champion - €100 Reserve - €50 Prizes: 1st - €70, 2nd - €50, 3rd - €30
(unless otherwise stated)

- 250 PEDIGREE SIMMENTAL BULL OR HEIFER CALF BORN BETWEEN
1ST DEC 2025 AND 31 JAN 2026**
- 251 PEDIGREE SIMMENTAL BULL OR HEIFER CALF BORN ON OR
AFTER 1 FEBRUARY 2026**
- 252 PEDIGREE SIMMENTAL BULL OR HEIFER CALF BORN BETWEEN
1ST AUG 2024 AND 31 JULY 2025**
- 253 PEDIGREE SIMMENTAL COW OR IN-CALF HEIFER BORN BEFORE 1 AUGUST 2024**
- 254 PEDIGREE SIMMENTAL BULL OR HEIFER CALF BORN BETWEEN
1ST AUG 2025 AND 30TH NOVEMBER 2025**
- 255 SIMMENTAL CHAMPION & RESERVE CHAMPION**

Champion Class - no direct entry.

Prizes: 1st - €100, 2nd - €50

ANGUS

Entry Fee: €10 unless otherwise stated.

Ralph Armstrong Perpetual Cup and €100 for Champion Angus. Reserve €50 Prizes: 1st - €70, 2nd - €50, 3rd - €30
(unless otherwise stated)

- 261 BEST PEDIGREE ABERDEEN ANGUS COW IN CALF OR MILK**
- 262 BEST PEDIGREE ABERDEEN ANGUS HEIFER BORN AFTER 1ST AUG 2024**
- 263 BEST PEDIGREE ANGUS CALF, MALE / FEMALE BORN ON OR AFTER 1ST AUG 2025**
- 264 ANGUS CHAMPION & RESERVE CHAMPION**

Ralph Armstrong Perpetual Cup and €100 for Champion Angus. Reserve €50 Champion Class - no direct entry.

Prizes: 1st - €100, 2nd - €50

LIMOUSIN

Entry Fee: €10 unless otherwise stated.

Limousin Champion €100. Reserve €50

Prizes: 1st - €70, 2nd - €50, 3rd - €30 (unless otherwise stated)

- 270 BEST LIMOUSIN BULL ANY AGE**
- 271 BEST COW OR HEIFER BORN BEFORE 1 JANUARY 2025**
- 272 HEIFER BORN BETWEEN 1 JANUARY 2025 AND 31 AUGUST 2025**
- 273 MALE OR FEMALE CALF BORN AFTER 1 SEPTEMBER 2025**
- 274 BEST PAIR OF LIMOUSINS ANIMALS' PROPERTY OF ONE EXHIBITOR**
- 275 LIMOUSIN CHAMPION & RESERVE CHAMPION**

Champion Class - no direct entry.

Prizes: 1st - €100, 2nd - €50

HEREFORD

Entry Fee: €10 unless otherwise stated.

Hereford Champion €100. Reserve €50

The Hereford Society Will Present a Rosette to the Champion.

Prizes: 1st - €70, 2nd - €50, 3rd - €30 (unless otherwise stated)

- 281 BEST PEDIGREE HEREFORD BULL BORN PRIOR TO 1 JULY 2025**
- 282 BEST PEDIGREE HEREFORD COW/HEIFER BORN PRIOR TO 1 JULY 2025**
- 283 BEST PEDIGREE HEREFORD BULL BORN ON OR AFTER 1 JULY 2025**
- 284 BEST PEDIGREE HEREFORD HEIFER BORN ON OR AFTER 1 JULY 2025**
- 285 HEREFORD CHAMPION & RESERVE CHAMPION**

Champion Class - no direct entry.

Prizes: 1st - €100, 2nd - €50

BELGIAN BLUE

Entry Fee: €10 unless otherwise stated.

Belgian Blue Champion €100. Reserve €50

Prizes: 1st - €70, 2nd - €50, 3rd - €30 (unless otherwise stated)

290 PUREBRED BELGIAN BLUE MALE/FEMALE ANY AGE

**291 CROSSBRED BELGIAN BLUE MALE/FEMALE SHOWING NOT MORE THAN 2
PERMANENT TEETH**

292 BELGIAN BLUE CHAMPION & RESERVE CHAMPION

Champion Class - no direct entry.

Prizes: 1st - €100, 2nd - €50

CHAROLAIS

Entry Fee: €10 unless otherwise stated.

Charolais Champion €100. Reserve €50

Prizes: 1st - €70, 2nd - €50, 3rd - €30 (unless otherwise stated)

**298 BEST PEDIGREE CHAROLAIS HEIFER BORN BETWEEN 1 SEPTEMBER 2024 AND 31
AUGUST 2025**

299 BEST PEDIGREE CHAROLAIS FEMALE CALF BORN AFTER 1 SEP 2025

300 BEST PEDIGREE CHAROLAIS MALE CALF BORN AFTER 1 SEP 2025

**301 PEDIGREE CHAROLAIS CALF OF THE FUTURE, MALE/FEMALE
BORN AFTER 1 JANUARY 2026**

302 BEST PEDIGREE CHAROLAIS PAIR, MALE/FEMALE BORN AFTER 1 SEPTEMBER 2025

303 BEST PEDIGREE CHAROLAIS CHAMPION & RESERVE CHAMPION

Champion Class - no direct entry.

Prizes: 1st - €100, 2nd - €50

COMMERCIAL

Entry Fee: €10 unless otherwise stated.

Commercial Champion €100. Reserve €50

Prizes: 1st - €70, 2nd - €50, 3rd - €30 (unless otherwise stated)

- 309 BEST BUTCHER HEIFER ANY BREED, NOT MORE THAN 2 PERMANENT TEETH ON DAY OF SHOW**
- 310 BEST BEEF BULLOCK OR HEIFER SHOWING 2 OR MORE PERMANENT TEETH ON DAY OF SHOW**
- 311 SUPER BABY BEEF ANIMAL MALE/FEMALE WITH NO PERMANENT TEETH ON DAY OF SHOW**
- 312 SUPER CALF MALE/FEMALE BORN 2026**
- 313 BEST BREEDING HEIFER-ANY BREED PEDIGREE OR NOT**
- 314 COMMERCIAL CHAMPION & RESERVE CHAMPION**

Champion Class - no direct entry.

Prizes: 1st - €100, 2nd - €50

HIGHLAND CATTLE

Entry Fee: €10 unless otherwise stated.

Highland Cattle Champion €100. Reserve €50

Prizes: 1st - €70, 2nd - €50, 3rd - €30 (unless otherwise stated)

- 320 HIGHLAND MALE ANY AGE**
- 321 HIGHLAND FEMALE ANY AGE**
- 322 CHAMPION HIGHLAND OF SHOW**

Champion Class - no direct entry.

Prizes: 1st - €100, 2nd - €50

YOUNG HANDLER

Entry to this category is free of charge

328 YOUNG HANDLER CLASS UNDER 16 YEARS

Animals must be size appropriate for handler

Entry Permitted on the Day.

Prizes: 1st - €25, 2nd - €20, 3rd - €10, 4th - €5, 5th - €5

ALL IRELAND CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFIERS

Entry Fee: €10 unless otherwise stated.

334: THE ALL-IRELAND PEDIGREE SUCKLER TYPE HEIFER CHAMPIONSHIP

Sponsored by: **INISH Farm Supplies, Millbrae, Carndonagh, Co. Donegal**

PRIZE FUND: €2500

RULES AND CONDITIONS

1. The competition is open to All Breeds of Pedigree Suckler Type Heifers.
2. Pedigree cert. for all entrants to be presented to Show Secretary on Show Day.
3. Heifers' potential mothering ability will be assessed.
4. **Up to 2 heifers** may qualify at each show if the standard is deemed sufficient.
5. Individual exhibitors may qualify up to 2 heifers for the final.
6. All heifers **must** be halter trained and led by a competent adult.
7. Animals qualifying for this final are **ineligible** for entry to other classes at Clonmany Show.
8. The Qualifying Exhibitor must fill out their own Qualifying Card at each Qualifying Show. Completed card and entry fee must be handed into the secretary's office on show day.

The foregoing rules should be read in conjunction with ISA General Rules together with Clonmany Show Rules.

PRIZES

Champion €700 & Sash - 2nd €450 - 3rd 300 – 4th €200 - 5th €150 - 6th – 12th €100

Entry Fee Qualifying Show €10 to Final €15.

QUALIFYING SHOWS: Athlone, Bandon, Bridgetown, Carbery, County Clare, Corrandulla, Crossmolina, Dundalk, Enniscrone, Ennistymon, Flavours of Fingal, Finn Valley, Gorey

Prizes: 1st - Qualifier to Final, 2nd - Qualifier to Final

ALL IRELAND CHAMPIONSHIP

Entry Fee: €15 unless otherwise stated.

340: THE BREEDER'S CHOICE TRADITIONAL 4* OR 5* BREEDING HEIFER

Sponsored by: The Department of Agriculture

PRIZE FUND: €750 (per Show)

RULES AND CONDITION

1. This competition is open to All Traditional Genotype 4* or 5* Breeding Heifers, suitable to make a Suckler Cow.
2. Full tag number must be submitted with entry to ensure that genotype rating can be verified.
3. Heifers may be in calf or maiden. All Heifers must be between 12 months and 24 months of age on the date of the show.
4. Each Heifer can only enter this competition at up to five shows. If a heifer enters more than five shows, any further prizemoney will be forfeited.
5. All heifers **must** be halter-trained and led by a competent adult.
6. All animals are required to be verified by the ISA Office prior to payment.

The foregoing rules should be read in conjunction with ISA General Rules.

PRIZES: 1st €250 - 2nd €125 - 3rd €75 - 4th to 8th €50

Entry Fee: To Show €15

SUPREME CHAMPION OF THE SHOW

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Supreme champion of the show to receive the "The James H Quinn Memorial Cup.

Prizes: 1st - Overall Champion of The Show Plus Trophy €200,
2nd - Reserve Champion of The Show €100