

Calf Scramble Rules & Regulations

1. The Logan County Fair Association, U of I Extension, breeders, scramble committee members, nor sponsors will be responsible for any accidents associated with this contest.
2. The Logan Co. Calf Scramble is sponsored by Logan County Beef Cattle Producers with the cooperation of interested businessmen in the county and supporters.
3. The average weight limit of the calves in the scramble is approx. 350 pounds.
4. Applications are due at the close of extension office hours on Wednesday night of the fair at 4:30 p.m.
Each participant must have their application signed by a parent/guardian or the application is void.
 - a) Contestants must be 12 and not yet 18 years of age on Aug 1 of the year they participate in the contest.
 - b) Participation is on a first-come, first-serve basis. After 18 applicants have applied, interest participants with a completed application will make up a waiting list.
 - c) Previous catchers are only eligible to participate if there are less than 18 participants. Previous catchers will be placed on the alternate list and will be eligible to participate on a first-come, first-serve basis.
 - d) PREVIOUS CHAMPION WINNERS MUST TAKE A 1 YEAR GAP YEAR BEFORE RE-ENTRY. (EXCEPTION: IF THERE ARE 9 OR LESS CATCHERS SIGNED UP AT THE TIME OF THE SCRAMBLE)
5. Those entering the calf scramble MUST meet WITH A PARENT on Wednesday night of the fair by 7:00 p.m. in the Show Pavilion before the scramble in order to be eligible to enter the arena for the calf scramble.
6. A halter will be provided to all participants. This halter is not to be used as a lariat to "rope" a calf. The halter must be properly placed on the calf before the "catch" is final.
7. While one contestant has a hold of a calf, no other contestant will be allowed to touch it. If two contestants catch a calf at the same time, the calf will be turned loose. No tail catching is allowed!
8. The Calf Scramble Committee will be referees/judges in all cases under protest. Their decisions will be final.
9. If you catch a calf:
 - a) The calf becomes the property of the catcher. Calf "Pickup Day" will be around October 1 (TBD). Calves will be weighed on handoff day which will be the starting weight for the scramble Rate-of-Gain award.
 - b) The Calf Scramble Committee will conduct one farm visit during the scramble year.
 - c) Reports must be submitted to the Scramble Committee beginning November 15th and bi-monthly thereafter. Upon submission, reports are sent to calf breeders and sponsors to provide updates.
 - d) All scramble steers must be on Logan County Fairgrounds by Wednesday at 10 AM and remain on grounds through open show on Saturday. (in order for steers to be displayed for sponsors/breeders, and for herdsman award recognition.)
 - e) Participants must show the calf at the scramble show (at Logan County Fair/Lincoln, IL), and the Logan County 4-H Beef Show , and are HIGHLY ENCOURAGED also to show in the open show.
 - i. No prize money/awards given unless the steer is shown at both 4H jr. show and the Scramble show.
 - f) Judging for the scramble steers will be based upon **15%** conformation, **25%** grooming, **25%** showmanship, and **35%** records.
 - i. 1 point will be docked off the total score for every weigh in and banquet event not attended by the scrambler.
 - g) Final report must be given to the committee by Monday, July 28 to logancocalfscramble@gmail.com which includes all reports printed off and a final summary page
 - h) You must bring scramble steer to all weigh-ins: October, December, February, May, July
 - i) Report any unusual incidents affecting the continuation of the project to the members of the scramble committee.
 - j) All catchers must pay \$150 upon FINAL weigh in of fair week, to the LOGAN COUNTY CALF SCRAMBLE . This money will be part of sponsorship for the following year scramble calves.
 - k) 4-H Livestock Auction participation is optional.

10. THE CALF SCRAMBLE COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REMOVE ANY CALF FROM ANY PARTICIPANTS POSSESSION AT ANY TIME.

Calf Scramble Application

(Applicant-please initial the following):

_____ I have read the rules and regulations covering this contest and I agree to abide by them.

_____ I agree to practice good animal husbandry while caring for my calf starting immediately after the scramble concludes.

_____ If I catch a calf, I promise to pay a flat fee of \$150 into a fund held by the Calf Scramble Committee to be used to promote future Calf Scramble Contests. Due at final weigh-in at next year's Logan County Fair.

4-H'ers Name _____

Date _____ 4-H'ers Email _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

4-H'ers Phone Number _____ 4-H Club _____

1. My age is _____ on August 1st of the current year. Birthdate _____

2. I will follow instructions given by the calf scramble committee that will be given prior to the contest.

3. I have been enrolled in 4-H for _____ years.

4. Please list all **Large Animal** experience and how many years:

Horse _____ yrs Beef _____ yrs Swine _____ yrs Sheep _____ yrs Goat _____ yrs

(Parent/Guardian-please initial the following):

_____ I hereby grant my consent and approval for my child to participate in the Logan County Calf Scramble and accept full responsibility in the event of an accident during the contest and duration of the project.

_____ I agree to be financially responsible for the calf if my child catches one.

_____ I have received a copy of calf scramble rules and understand them.

_____ I have reviewed the schedule , and realized the time commitment expected.

Parent's Name _____

Date _____ Guardian Email _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Guardian Phone Number _____

Address where calf will be raised_____

4-H'ers Signature_____

Parent's Signature_____