

CATA Curricular Code Change Proposal

Contest:	Livestock
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Issue: (Describe the reason/rationale for the proposed change.)	
<p>As currently constructed the Curricular Code for Livestock Judging does not work well with the Judging Card Tabulations system. There are items in the code that make using the tabulation system challenging and increase the chance of error.</p> <p>Opening Livestock allows changes to the contests specifically to align with the Judging Card Tabulations System. This proposal only allows changes to areas of the curricular code that does not allow the use of current Judging Card score cards.</p> <p>This proposal is not a request or mandate for change, only an opportunity to make changes if that is the desire of the majority of ag teachers.</p>	
Please answer yes or no to ALL the questions below.	
This proposal will require a contest to open out of rotation.	Yes
The change will affect General Rules.	No
The change will affect the awards needed.	No
The proposed change will affect tabulations/scorecards.	Yes that is why the contest is being opened
The proposed change will affect contest forms.	No
The proposed change will affect contest hosting site. (e.g. additional facilities, new sections, additional scoring, etc.)	NO
If you answered yes to any of the above questions, you need to include the following signatures:	
CATA Approved Contest Advisor's Signature	
CDE Host Site Contest Coordinator's Signature	
If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please explain.	
<p>*It is recommended that you, or a representative, attend the pre-conference governing board meeting to answer any questions regarding proposed curricular code changes to contests that are requested to be opened out of rotation.</p>	

Description: (Describe what is changing.)

Currently there is no card in the Judging Card Tabulations system that holds enough judging classes AND keep/cull to accommodate the contest as configured.

Accommodations for recording a score for the team event also need to be made.

Proposed CATA Code Change: (Only include the section that the proposed change pertains to – do not include the entire contest. Reference numbered section. If editing text show new text with old text in parenthesis. For large changes set track changes in the Word document and attach the file, with edits, to this document when submitting.)

Livestock Changes to the following areas would align the Livestock Judging Curricular Code to the Judging Card Tabulations system.

II. There will be ten (10) classes judged consisting of three classes each of the following: beef cattle, sheep and swine. The tenth class judged will be meat goats, either breeding or market animals.

III. One judging class will be based on EPD performance data. Each year the class will be rotated from beef to swine. The following data will be used for the EPD class:

A. Swine: EPD s or live animal data (derived from the Stages program) representing litter size, backfat, line eye area, and days to 250#. A management statement will include only the intent of progeny and what females will be mated with.

B. Cattle: birth date, EPD s, and accuracy percentages for birth, weaning, yearling, and maternal. A management statement will include only the intent of progeny and what bulls or females will be mated with.

IV. In addition, there will be one keep/cull class made up of eight (8) animals. The contest organizer will designate the species to be used. The top four animals used in the keep and cull class will total 50 points. Any of the remaining animals may receive points.

VI. Team Activity - The team activity portion of the livestock evaluation CDE will be separated into two sections. The sections will focus on a market activity and a breeding activity. Teams will be split into two pairs to work on the two activities. This will be decided randomly by the committee and announced at the event; therefore, all team members should be prepared for each section.

XI. Use a standard judging card for all livestock judging classes (except the keep/cull classes), including reasons. (see samples below)