



IOWA HEREFORD STEER FUTURITY

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BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

2026 IHBA Steer Futurity Rules, Deadlines & Qualifications

April 1 – Nomination Deadline

Nomination form & entry fee due to IHBA

July 1 – Qualification Deadline

Membership dues for breeder & exhibitor must be paid

DNA test results verifying parentage (both sire & dam) due to IHBA

- 1) The breeder of the steer must be a paid member of the Iowa Hereford Breeders Association (IHBA) or the Iowa Junior Hereford Association (IJHA). Junior members may nominate steers they bred themselves.
- 2) The exhibitor must be a paid member of the Iowa Junior Hereford Association (IJHA).
- 3) The steer must qualify as born and bred in the state of Iowa via the American Hereford Association (AHA) registration paper. The breeder's AHA membership must include an Iowa address to qualify.
- 4) Nomination deadline is April 1, at which time the \$50 nomination fee is payable.
- 5) All animals must be parentage-verified to both the sire and dam through DNA testing. This testing is the responsibility of the breeder or exhibitor and a copy of the results must be submitted to the IHBA administrative secretary no later than July 1 in order to be eligible for the show.
- 6) The show will take place as part of the 4-H market beef show at the Iowa State Fair. Exhibitors must be of eligible age to participate in the State Fair 4-H show (have completed 5th through 12th grade of the completed 2025 school year) in order to show in the futurity.

Additional financial support will be gathered via breeder/industry donations. Jackpot will be distributed following the Iowa State Fair. Additional paydown of cash awards will be at the discretion of the IHBA.

To nominate a steer, complete a nomination form for each entry and submit with a \$50 per head fee to: Marilyn Lenth, IHBA Administrative Secretary, 13690 130th Street, Postville, IA 52162.

Breeders are encouraged to nominate all steers they sold in Iowa; 4-Hers are encouraged to contact the breeder of their steer(s) or nominate the calf themselves.

For more information, contact:

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