

CATTLE

Make sure you have enough cattle

As a rule of thumb cattle should not be used more than 3-4 never more than 5 times in a day. Example: if you have 100 teams, you need to have 4 sets of cattle

Have walkie talkies to communicate with the announce, judge and/or office staff. Be sure to have extra batteries

When setting up your pens, if possible make an OUT and a IN gate for each pen. With a set of cattle staged right at the IN gate. This way you can direct the cattle just used to one pen and already have the cattle that are going into the pen ready to go in. If done like this contestants should never have to wait on cattle.

When you are changing out cattle in pen 1 contestants should be on the last run on pen 2. The cattle guy (you) can change pen 2 out while contestants have started sorting in pen 1. This is if you are using 2 pens to sort, and have pens tarped correctly.

Always count your cattle and make sure #'s 0 through 9 and one blank are in each herd that is ready to go into the sorting pen

It is very important to keep the show moving with no down time or wait time for the contestants. This keeps contestants happy and able to travel back home before it gets too late in the evening.

You must be listening to announcer for when cattle change will come, and be ready at exit gate (out of sight of cattle). Cattle changes can make or break a show

1. Water in Cattle Pens
2. know when cattle to arrive and meet driver & Truck
3. Sorting cattle (0-9) with one blank. Be finished at least 30 minutes before start of show
4. Bait cattle need placed well before show starts. Have water for them
5. Have some one to settle cattle
6. Have Plenty of wire and zip ties for repairs
7. change out cattle (Quickly) be ready
8. Rotate Cattle Pens evenly
9. Be ready to change out bad cattle during show
10. be prepared to fix or replace #'s on cattle during show (must know where and how)
11. Feed and water cattle at night

You are responsible for a lot of \$\$\$\$ of cattle. Cattle are very expensive. \$700 / \$1,000 Pay attention, if a calf doesn't look right ask the owner or producer if it needs to be removed.

Remember your execution is extremely important to have a great show.

Attitude is Everything