## To: Juniors who made entries for the 2016 All American Junior Jersey Show

The AJCA Board of Directors reviewed and approved the *Eligibility and Ownership Rules for The All American Junior Jersey Show* at its meeting March 11.

## READ THESE UPDATED RULES CAREFULLY. YOU MUST COMPLY WITH ALL RULES IN ORDER TO SHOW.

**Rule 1, Exhibitors.** Exhibitors must be no younger than nine (9) and no older than 20 years of age as of January 1, 2017. U.S. residents must be members (junior or lifetime) of the American Jersey Cattle Association.

*Rule 2, Entries.* Animals are eligible when recorded by the American Jersey Cattle Association in the Herd Register or with Generation Count 4 or greater, or by Jersey Canada with registry status of 93.75% and greater.

The exhibitor must be listed as Recorded Owner on the registration certificate, either (1) as the sole owner or (2) by his/her name in joint ownership. If the joint ownership includes more than one person meeting the eligibility requirements of Rule 1 (*above*), one of them must be declared as the exhibitor during check-in.

Animals must be registered and/or transferred to meet one of the above ownership requirements on or before August 1, 2017. The date of registration and/or transfer is the Date Recorded printed on the registration certificate.

**Rule 3, Participation.** Entries must be shown by the exhibitor, except by prior written approval from NAILE. Alternate leadspersons must (1) be associated with the Herd Unit and also eligible to show by age (*Rule 1, above*), or (2) if not, be the same age or younger than the exhibitor of the animal being shown. Requests for alternate leadsperson must be submitted for approval by the NAILE dairy show superintendent on forms provided by the AJCA not later than 12:00 noon the day before the show.

No more than two (2) animals may be shown by one exhibitor in any one class. The exhibitor must lead the first entry and the second entry must be led by an NAILE approved alternate leadsperson.

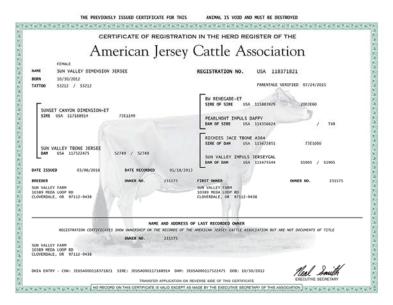
Adults are not allowed to show in any case.

**Rule 4, Breeder Status.** In order to qualify for Premier Breeder points and Best Bred and Owned awards, the exhibitor declared at check-in must have his/her name recorded as a Breeder on the animal's registration certificate. These awards will be made only to the individual exhibitor in the case of partnership animals.

Entry forms for Premier Junior Breeder and Premier Junior Exhibitor will be distributed at check-in. Submit forms not later than 6:00 p.m. on the day prior to the show to the Jersey show superintendent.

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**KEY POINTS.** To be eligible for the All American shows, animals must have **Herd Register** or Generation Count {4}, {5} or {6} status. These animals have a Certificate of Registration with a green border and Ideal Jersey picture in the background (example below).



Generation Count {4}, {5} and {6} animals that have a JX prefix **ARE** eligible.

Animals that have a Generation Count less than 4 **ARE NOT** eligible.

The other **VERY IMPORTANT RULE** is that any animal you want to show must be <u>registered and/or transferred</u> in your name as Recorded Owner not later than **AUGUST 1, 2017**.

You can be listed as the only owner, or as a joint owner. The important point is that **YOUR** 

NAME must be printed in the Recorded Owner section.

To illustrate the most common options for a junior named Jimmy Brown:

Sole Recorded Owner	Jimmy Brown
Joint Ownership with another person	Jimmy Brown and Mike Smith
Joint Ownership with family members	Jimmy, Joe, and Moe Brown
Joint Ownership with farm	Jimmy Brown and Brown Jersey Farm

What **DOES NOT** meet this rule:

Any ownership which does not list you—by YOUR NAME—on the line for Recorded Owner on the registration certificate.

**NOTICE:** 4-H LEASE AGREEMENTS ARE NOT ACCEPTED IN ANY CASE.

**TRANSFER ANIMALS NOW.** If animals in your family's herd must be transferred to comply with the ownership rule, act now. An "intra-farm transfer" is the transfer of an animal from one ownership in a herd unit to an AJCA Junior Member associated with the same herd unit. A herd unit is defined as all AJCA ownerships set up to be "Billed To" a common account. The fee for such transfers, if processed within 60 days of the date of sale, is \$7.00 per animal.

Please contact me if you have questions at 614/322-4456 or email cbayer@usjersey.com.

Sincerely,

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