



# Ohio Cattlemen's Association **STOCKMANSHIP** *Competition*

## **FITTING CONTEST**

Held in conjunction with the DTS Cupid Classic.

Pickaway County Fairgrounds | 415 Lancaster Pike Circleville, Ohio 43113

Contest open to all OCA BEST participants competing in the Stockmanship division.

### Tentative Schedule

#### **DTS Cupid Classic**

Contest order will be posted prior to the event.

Friday, February 9, 2023

Fitting Contest Registration Deadline: Monday, February 5, 2024

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### Fitting Contest Rules

1. All contestants must be BEST participants competing in the Stockmanship Division
2. Teams will consist of four members three of the four members must be from different age divisions. The fourth member can be from any age division. Example:
  - a. 1 Beginner
  - b. 1 Junior OR Novice
  - c. 1 Intermediate OR Novice
  - d. 1 Senior
3. Team members may be substituted accordingly within the appropriate age division.
4. This contest will be judged by the officials chosen by the OCA BEST Stockmanship Officials.
5. Each team must provide its own animal for the contest. The animal is not to be groomed; but, should be washed and dried at the start of the contest. Animals will be checked before entering the competition area.
6. Each team must provide their own fitting equipment. Once the contest begins, no team member may leave the area and no additional equipment may be brought into the fitting area.
7. Each team member must fit a leg, use the clippers and blower.
8. All fitting and grooming techniques must be within the accepted practices for OCA BEST Sanctioned Shows.
9. Each team will be allowed 30 minutes to fit their animal.
10. Once the fitting area is designated for each team by the contest officials, the team may set up their grooming chute and supplies in their designated area. These items should be in place at least 5 minutes prior to the announced starting time of the contest.
11. Judges will circulate and question participants during the 30 minutes, and while the animal is in the chute. Once the animal has been groomed and time is called participants must stand at the front of the chute until released.
12. When time is up, one team member will parade their animal before the judges. The judges will make comments and announce the winners.
13. Judging will be by a panel of judges based on 100 points maximum from each judge. Each judge shall total their score and rank the contestants in numerical order on the basis of their score. (Highest score first, lowest score last.)
14. Animals may be watered, but no feed or hay will be allowed during the contest.
15. Points will be awarded as follows:
  - During the Contest
    - Use of Equipment - 20 points
    - Skill Level - 20 points
    - General Knowledge of Animal - 20 points
    - Completion and Final Appearance of Animal - 20 points
  - After Fitting
    - Answered the judges questions - 10 points
    - Present the animal as a team - 10 points

### For More Information

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