



**NEW HAMPSHIRE 4-H WORKING STEER PROGRAM**  
**2018 Eastern States Exposition Qualifying Shows**

The top eight (8) scoring youth will be offered the opportunity to represent New Hampshire at the ESE Youth Working Steer Show. New Hampshire will have three qualifying shows for 4-H Working Steer project members wishing to qualify for the show at Eastern States Exposition. A member must participate in a minimum of two qualifying shows to be eligible for ESE but may participate in all three if desired. An individual's two highest scores of the three qualifying shows will be combined and averaged to determine their final score. There will be one additional member serving as an alternate on the team. This team member will be given the option to go to ESE with the team, without cattle as the team assistant if they choose to do so.

Each 4-H delegate to the Eastern States Working Steer Show must have successfully pulled 70% of their team's weight (including the weight of the stone boat), at one of the Qualifying Shows. An individual must complete the course as laid out by the judge in the time allotted to be considered a successful pull.

Only 4-H exhibitors 12 years old and over (by January 1 of current year) with proper Intent to Show forms are eligible for Eastern States Exposition. Novice teamsters, (regardless of age), are not eligible for Eastern States.

Members must bring to each show health papers and appropriate documentation of 4-H project animals (see instructions for Submitting "Intent to Show" through 4hOnline) which have been approved on or before May 1st of the current year. Each project animal must be permanently identified by ear tag or legible tattoo that agrees with the identification listed on the Intent to Show form and the health papers. Identification will be checked the morning of each qualifying show.

**New: For 2018, it is suggested that cattle attending ESE have a 15-digit RFID tag.**

The three qualifying shows are:

**4-H Working Steer Mini Fair** - <https://extension.unh.edu/events/nh-4-h-working-steer-mini-fair>

**Show Date:** June 23, 2018  
**Show Location:** Hopkinton Fairgrounds, Contoocook NH  
**Entry Deadline:** **May 21, 2018**  
**Send Entries to:** Michelle Bersaw-Robblee  
315 Daniel Webster Road  
Boscawen, NH 03303

**Stratham Fair** – <http://www.strathamfair.com>

**Show Date:** July 20, 2018- Qualifying Show  
**Entry Deadline:** **TBA**  
**Send Entries To:** Anne Atwater  
UNHCE Rockingham County 4-H  
113 North Road  
Brentwood, NH 03833

**Cheshire Fair** – <http://www.cheshirefair.org/>

**Show Date:** August 5, 2018 - Qualifying Show  
(Working steers may also exhibit with Youth Pull and Open Show. Please refer to Cheshire Fair website for more details.)

**Entry Deadline:** **July 1, 2018**

**Send Entries To:** Cheshire Fair  
247 Monadnock Highway  
Swanzy, NH 03446

☆ *Entry forms and fair books may be downloaded from each fair website.*

1. In case of a tie in scores, the person earning the highest number of first, second, or third blues in their two high point qualifying shows will be selected. If still tied, the oldest teamster will be selected.
2. Members who qualify for ESE participation, but cannot attend, must notify Todd Courser at least 48 hours prior to the start of ESE. This time period is necessary so that alternates can be notified and given time to prepare.
3. Members who will be participating at ESE must attend an orientation meeting. There will be a brief meeting for all team members following the announcement of the NH Youth Working Steer Team at the Cheshire Fair to complete ESE entry forms. Orientation meeting, location and date will be set at that time. **Both of these meetings are required for ESE participants.**

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact:

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