

Colorado State Fair and Industrial Exposition

2026 NWSS Catch-A-Calf Show

- Division 017
- Department 912
- Entry Fee: \$25 per entry

Entries Close:	Monday, August 10 th
Arrival of Cattle:	Saturday, September 5 th - 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Cattle In Place:	Saturday, September 5 th at 5:00 p.m.
Show:	Sunday, September 6 th at 2:00 p.m.
Begin Release:	Sunday, September 7 th following Show

Competition Requirements

1. All entrants must have read and be familiar with the General Competition Requirements, Livestock and Small Animal Competition Requirements, Colorado State Fair Exhibitor Code of Conduct, Animal Welfare Policy, and Livestock Health Requirements.
2. All entrants for livestock exhibited in Open, Breed, or Market competitions shall provide a valid premises identification number (PID) at the time of entry. To obtain a PID, contact the Colorado Department of Agriculture at 303-869-9130 or click on the following link:
<https://ag.colorado.gov/animals/colorado-location-identification-lid-registration-premises>
3. Entries are limited to exhibitors who were awarded calves during the 2026 National Western Stock Show.
4. Entries: No late entries will be allowed upon arrival at the fairgrounds. All cattle are required to have a health inspection before entering the fairgrounds. Refer to Health Requirements.
5. Steers will be shown by weight. Official weights will be determined by Authority officials.

6. Bedding: Exhibitors are responsible for their own livestock bedding. Entry into competition at the Colorado State Fair and Industrial Exposition (“State Fair”) r does not include bedding.

Exhibitors may pre-order bedding and shavings through the official bedding vendor or bedding and shavings will be available to purchase on-grounds from said vendor upon arrival. The phone number and order portal will be posted on the Fair’s website.

Straw may only be used for Breeding Sheep, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, and Cattle tie-outs. All other uses of straw are prohibited.

Outside bedding for livestock exhibitors is permitted.

7. Entry Numbers: Each entry will be assigned a number, which will be provided to all exhibitors. The exhibitor must display these numbers when the animal is in the show ring.

NWSS Catch-A-Calf Class No.	Premium
1550. NWSS Catch-A-Calf	A
1553. Grand Champion NWSS Catch-A-Calf	B & C
1554. Reserve Grand Champion NWSS Catch-A-Calf	C
1555. Showmanship	D

Premium Schedule	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place
A	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20
B: Buckle by Kenney and Teresa Burns				
C. Banner by Colorado State Fair Authority				
D. Buckle by William Vrbas, 2025 Champion C-A-C				

NWSS Catch-A-Calf Award Donors

Colorado Elks Association, Kenney and Teresa Burns, P. O. Box 155, Hotchkiss, CO 81419, will award a buckle to the Grand Champion NWSS Catch-A-Calf exhibitor.

Colorado State Fair Authority will award banners to the Grand Champion NWSS Catch-A-Calf exhibitors and Reserve Grand Champion NWSS Catch-A-Calf.

William Vrbas, 3534 Goodfellow, Whitewater, CO 81527, the 2025 Catch-A-Calf Champion, will award a buckle to the Champion Showman of the Catch-A-Calf show.

Thank You to All Our Award Donors!