

All Ireland Awards 2023

based on Summer Shows 2023 Prizewinners and animal photo

Signed entry form, Pedigree Cert with relevant class detail to be received in IHFA Office, Clonakilty, Co.Cork - ggreenan@ihfa.ie

by FRIDAY 3rd NOVEMBER 2023

The All Ireland Awards are a judgement of the quality of an animal which has been exhibited within the show ring at recognised shows or events during the year of competition. This is not solely a photographic competition although the quality of the photograph is considered in Judging as well as Show winnings during the year of the Competition. Cows and heifers in milk which are professionally photographed during the year but not shown, may be considered for a separate class depending on entries

Rules:

- To be eligible for entry the animal must be registered with IHFA and in the Herd Number of the IHFA member in accordance with the entry. In the case of a syndicate ownership one of the members to be a member of IHFA and the animal be registered in the herd number of an IHFA member of the syndicate
- 2. All entries must be returned to the IHFA office on the official entry form & along with animals pedigree certificate and signed by the owner by the closing date.
 - It is the responsibility of the owner/exhibitor to enter the animal into the appropriate class of the competition and supply all the relevant show and pedigree information, plus a photo (SIDE-VIEW ONLY), which must be attached to the entry form. IHFA will not automatically enter animals into the All Ireland Awards despite having been successful during the summer show circuit.
- 3. Photographs Black & White or Colour 5" x 7" **SIDE-VIEW ONLY** will be accepted and must be taken during the CURRENT show season. Qualification: A photo taken in the **PRIOR** show season may be considered for entry but must gain prior approval by selection judges.
 - Note: 3/4 Rear shots are not acceptable and will not be judged!
- 5. Maximum of 2 entries per exhibitor per class. In the event of large numbers, only one entry will be considered in pre-selecting the final six.
- 6. Any animal or exhibitor that had been disqualified from a show during the current year for infringing rules will not be eligible to enter for a period of years as specified by the Board.
- 7. Judges may not vote in classes where they have bred animals or been involved in their ownership.
- 8. A complete list of all relevant show placings in the current year must be submitted by the owner / exhibitor. The National Dairy Show, Millstreet will be considered the final show for entries. Animals for whom incorrect or incomplete show placings have been supplied by the exhibitor will be disqualified. **The closing date will be strictly adhered to.**
- 9. There will be an initial selection of 6 animals per class by a minimum panel of 3 Judges. Final competition will be judged by a minimum of 7 Judges. Judges must be on the IHFA Judges panel. Points will be given on Judge's placing's.
- 10. Results and photographs will be printed in Spring Journal 2024
- 11. Irish Pure Friesian, to be judged on knowledge of show placings and quality photograph (Classification points will be used where animal has not been shown) **Animals must be at least 87.5% Pure Friesian.** There will be two Friesian classes:
 - 1. Heifer In Milk Class (only if there are sufficient entries) 2. (Mature) Cow In Milk Class
- 12. The Board of IHFA reserve the right to alter or amend rules as it deems necessary.

LATE ENTRIES - A GUARANTEE CANNOT BE GIVEN THAT ENTRIES RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE JOURNAL. PLEASE NOTE THE PUBLISHING OF THE IHFA JOURNAL WILL NOT BE UNDULY DELAYED TO ACCOMMODATE RECEPT OF LATE PHOTOGRAPHS.