

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. The competition is confined to pedigree Holstein Friesian cows who have produced 500 kgs of fat and protein in a 305 day lactation which commenced on or after 30th July 2016 and recorded under I.C.B.F. or other recognised milk recording agencies.
2. Certificates of milk yields and Herd Book certificates must be lodged with entry forms.
3. Having achieved the qualifying production standard of 500 kgs of fat and protein, the cows will be judged on conformation only in the final.
4. The cow must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor.
5. An exhibitor is allowed to enter only one cow in the final. A second cow with exceptional merit may be allowed at the discretion of the organisers.
6. Renamed cows are not eligible for the Special Award of Best Exhibitor Bred Cow.
7. Junior Cow Awards are confined to Pedigree Holstein Friesian cows in their second lactation born on or after September 1st, 2014.
8. Heifer in Milk Awards are confined to Holstein Friesian Heifers in first year of lactation having calved once. A 2nd Heifer of high merit may be entered at the discretion of the organisers. There must be a minimum of 4 entries for 2nd and 3rd prizes to be awarded.
9. The organisers reserve the right to alter or amend the rules as may be necessary.
10. All animals must comply with Department of Agriculture current movement of animals regulations. Cows from Northern Ireland must comply with E.U. TB and Brucellosis 30-day testing regulations for export purposes.
11. The competition will take place under the auspices of the IHFA, Holstein N.I. and Virginia Show showing rules.
12. Exhibitors are obliged to use the designated area for Diageo Baileys Cows in the New Show Centre. (Strictly for animals entered in the competition.)

For further information, interested breeders should contact:
Brendan Smyth, telephone 087-256 0952 [email: brensmyth@eircom.net](mailto:brensmyth@eircom.net)
or THE SECRETARY, VIRGINIA SHOW SOCIETY, telephone 049-854 7197

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IRISH CHAMPION DAIRY COW

VIRGINIA SHOW

Wednesday, 22nd August 2018

€10,000
PRIZE FUND



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AWARDS

CELEBRATING 35 YEARS OF 'THE BAILEYS'

The prestigious Diageo Baileys Irish Champion Dairy Cow Competition is sponsored by Diageo Baileys and Glanbia Ireland, Virginia, suppliers of the natural cream base to Baileys.

'The Bailey's, with an overall prize fund of €10,000, is the richest competition of its type in the country. Now in its thirty fifth year, the competition organisers are once again searching to find the top dairy cow on the island of Ireland.

Of all major competitions, 'The Baileys' alone combines good conformation with proven excellence in milk production capabilities.

Closing date for applications is
Friday, August 10th 2018

Winning or even doing well in 'The Baileys' is a great accolade for any Holstein Friesian breeder to achieve. Competition is intense and the full title will only be won by a great cow.

Join us as a competitor at the Grand Final at Virginia Show on Wednesday, August 22nd. Champion Cow owner will be well rewarded with a first prize of €2,500, the Virginia Milk Products Trophy and the grand title of 2018 Diageo Baileys Irish Champion Dairy Cow.



10,000 EURO PRIZE FUND



CHAMPION:

Diageo Baileys Irish Champion Dairy Cow Title Virginia Milk Products Trophy and €2,500 Reserve: €1000
3rd €500
4th €350
5th €250
6th and following places €150



JUNIOR COW:

1st €300
2nd €200
3rd €150



HEIFER IN MILK:

1st €500
2nd* €300
3rd* €200
4th to 10th €100



SPECIAL AWARDS FOR THE FOLLOWING

Best Protein Content
Best E.B.I.
Best Exhibitor Bred Cow

HOW TO ENTER

The entry system for this competition is by directly applying to the Secretary, Virginia Show Society, on the enclosed entry form.

To be eligible, the cow must first have produced 500 kgs of butterfat and protein (1500/1600 gallons) in a 305 day lactation (except for the Heifer in Milk Awards). This year a 10% extra weighting is being given to the protein portion of the entry standard.

For example, 230 kgs of protein will be increased by 10% to 253 kgs, thus allowing cows marginally under the standard to qualify for the final. The final judgement will be on appearance only.

Holstein Friesian exhibitors are advised to contact the following regional organisers:

MUNSTER

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086-828 8300

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