



## **Nicole Fletcher**

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Top five most significant judging experiences:

- Northeast National Junior Milking Shorthorn Show
- Connecticut Holstein Showmanship
- Durham Fair
- Deerfield Fair
- Big E Judging Collegiate Contest official judge

In addition to judging conformation classes, this judge also enjoys:

- Youth Shows
- Showmanship

Nicole Fletcher is a 4th generation dairy producer who grew up showing and judging cows in 4-H and youth breed association contests. She was on a successful 4-H team that won at the Big E and traveled to Louisville, and those experiences fostered a love of judging dairy cattle. Upon graduating from the University of New Hampshire with a degree in dairy management, she returned to her family dairy and is still the herdsman there today. She has been judging local, state, and regional shows for the past 10 years, with two major highlights happening last year judging the Connecticut Holstein Show Showmanship Contest and then the Northeast National Junior Milking Shorthorn Show at the Big E.

Nicole enjoys working with dairy youth, and often offers her time at judging clinics and contests to teach and listen to reasons. She has hosted the State FFA Dairy Judging Contest at her farm several times as well as serving as official other years. She serves as the junior coordinator and coach for the New England States Holstein Junior Association, preparing youth for dairy bowl and jeopardy contests at the National Holstein Convention each year. She also enjoys leasing calves to 4-H kids, which is why she doesn't do too much judging locally. Nicole shows Holstein and Jersey cattle at state and regional shows.