

Clay County Rabbit Identification Requirements

1. To exhibit an animal project, at the Clay County Fair a member must:
 - Currently be in the fifth grade or higher, at fair time (4-H members).
 - Be younger than 19, by September 15 of the previous year.
 - Not have graduated from high school before the calendar year in which he/she plans to participate.
2. FFA members must be in good standing with the FFA local and state associations.
3. Exhibitors must be involved in a 4-H club or FFA chapter in Iowa or the following Minnesota counties: Pipestone, Murray, Cottonwood, Watonwan, Rock, Nobles, Jackson, Martin, and Faribault.

Ownership:

All animals must be owned by and identified to the individual 4-H'er. When registration papers are involved the papers must either be in the 4-H'er's name or show a logical family relationship. Animals changing ownership after being identified as a project are ineligible to be exhibited as 4-H animals for the 4-H year.

Identification:

Senior rabbits must be identified with an ear tattoo that is listed on the Senior Rabbit Identification Form in order to show at the Clay County Fair. Rabbits in your herd are to be identified by breed, color/variety, date of birth, sex and tattoo on a Senior Rabbit Identification Form due in the Extension Office by **May 10**.

Meat Pens need not be tattooed but must be listed on the Senior Rabbit Identification Form in the Junior Section.

Junior rabbits that will be shown at fair which are too young to be tattooed or not yet born by the May 10 date should be listed by their breed and approximate birthdate on the Senior Rabbit Identification Form in the Junior section. These junior rabbits will also be required to be identified by tattoo, breed, color/variety, date of birth, and sex on a separate Junior Rabbit Identification Form due to the Extension Office by **July 10**.

It is recommended that junior rabbits shown at the Clay County Fair be a minimum of eight weeks of age at show time and meet the weight qualifications listed in the Standard of Perfection book available at the Clay County Extension Office, 712-262-2264, 110 West 4th St., Suite 100, Spencer, IA.

Returning your ID Sheet:

Return the senior identification sheet by May 10th of the current year to your county extension office. Return the junior identification sheet by July 10th of the current year to your county extension office. Copies will be provided.