

2009 Linn County Fair



Cat Department

Superintendent—Jeff Barrick

Committee— Tina Jochimensen, Tami Gilmore, Melanie Jochimensen

Judging—Friday July 10, 2009 in the small animal barn

Check in – 8:30am – 9:00am

Show – 9:00am

Rules (Note: All General Rules and rules for Animal Division apply)

1. Kittens must be at least four months of age and less than 9 months of age by show date. 9 months and older are cats.
2. **Pregnant cats and cats with nursing litter may not be exhibited.**
3. Cats are to be entered Friday between 8:30am and 9:00am. They should be brought in a secure container or be on a leash. All cats must be checked in and health checked prior to being placed in exhibit area. Current rabies vaccination papers and verification of distemper shot must be presented at this time. Please read the Health Requirements under the General Animal Division rules carefully.
4. Cages will be provided. Curtains, sheets or towels should be brought for each cage. Keep the drapes down between cats so they feel more secure and to prevent airborne diseases. Exhibitor must clean the cage area before leaving.
5. Toenails must be clipped before the fair.
6. Cats **MUST REMAIN** in cages when not being shown or on deck.
7. Non-compliance of rules will result in forfeiture of earned premiums as well as elimination from the remaining classes that day.
8. Evaluation will be based on the following criteria:
 - Cleanliness and grooming of cat
 - Conformation of cat
 - Knowledge of exhibitor, coat length, color, breed (or similar to) and coat pattern (bi-color, tabby, mackerel, etc.), of the cat being shown
 - Unusual appearance of cat: tailless, six-toed, etc.
 - How you handle your cat
9. Showmanship will include how the exhibitor presents and handles the animal, display of the cage or bench area and knowledge. Knowledge portion will be 5 questions taken from the 4-H cat project manuals.
10. No kittens or cats are to be in the vicinity of the small animal barn without vaccination records and a vet check on the day of the show.
11. Cats will be released after the show.

Classes (No more than 2 per class)

182AA—Kitten, 4- less than 9 months - any color

182BA—Short hair adult - any color

182BB—Long hair adult - any color

182CC—Showmanship