

PETS – No Health Papers Required; Only Rabbits Require YQCA
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RULES: (Be familiar with General Livestock Rules)

- 1) All Pets are REQUIRED to have an ID form completed in 4-H Online by May 15th and be entered into FairEntry.com by June 15.
- 2) **Veterinarian will be on site at the Big 4 Fairgrounds this year to examine the animal before the beginning of the show.**
- 3) **Each member is limited to two pets.** A bowl of fish or such grouping is considered one pet.
- 4) Animals must be legal to own and classified as an animal legal to domesticate to be entered.
- 5) No snakes or pot-bellied pigs will be accepted.
- 6) A pet must not be entered into another department during the current Achievement Show.
- 7) Clover Kids can enter a pet and will receive a participation ribbon. Clover Kids are encouraged to show with another Intermediate or Senior 4-H or FFA member as a team.
- 8) **All dogs, cats, & other pets (as appropriate) must have a current rabies certificate dated 30 days or less before the date of show.**
- 9) Exhibitors will be required to have horns disbudded, dehorned, or tipped blunt on all pets before arrival at the fairgrounds.
- 10) Pet is to be on the grounds during the day of judging **only**.
- 11) Pets must be properly leashed, caged, or contained and kept away from all other animals and buildings.
- 12) Exhibitors must provide their own cover (rug, mat, etc.) if the animal can be placed out of cage or off the ground and onto show table.
- 13) **Exhibitor must prepare a poster to accompany the pet which includes:**
 - a) Breed of pet or name of species
 - b) Age and/or birth date
 - c) Characteristics and habits of the pet
 - d) Care of the pet such as special diet, needs, etc.
 - e) Exhibitor's name, age, and number of years with the pet
 - f) Any experiences the exhibitor has had with the pet which was a learning experience.
 - g) Pictures of the pet in action may be included but are not required.

NOTE: Youth can create a poster and place their ribbon or banners that will be displayed in the 4-H building for the duration of the fair if the youth member would like to.

- 14) Pets will be conference judged on their condition, the exhibitor's ability to handle and care for it, and on selected questions. Entries are judged on their own merits and not against each other. There will be a Champion & Reserve Champion Pet selected based on the exhibitor's management and knowledge of their pet project.

Pets Division

3200: Clover Kids Exhibition Show – Non-Competitive	32010: Pet Alpacas & Llamas
32020: Amphibians, Reptiles, and Fish	32030: Birds
32040: Pet Cats	32050: Pet Dogs
32060: Gerbils, Guinea Pigs, and Hamsters	32070: Pet Rabbits – YQCA Required
32080: Rodents	32090: Other Pets

Division	Class	Awards
320: Pet	32000	Clover Kids Exhibition Clover Kids Ribbon
	32010	Pet Alpacas & Llamas Ribbon
	32020	Amphibians, Reptiles, and Fish Ribbon
	32030	Birds Ribbon
	32040	Pet Cats Ribbon
	32050	Pet Dogs Ribbon
	32060	Gerbils, Guinea Pigs, and Hamsters Ribbon
	32070	Pet Rabbits – YQCA Required Ribbon
	32080	Rodents Ribbon
	32090	Other Pets Ribbon
320: Best in Show Pets		Champion Jr. Best of 4th – 6th Graders G: Purple Banner R: Pink Rosette
		Champion Int. Best of 7th – 8th Graders G: Purple Banner R: Pink Rosette
		Champion Sr. Best of 9th – 12th Graders G: Purple Banner R: Pink Rosette
	32010-32090	Grand and Reserves Best in Show G: Purple Banner R: Pink Rosette