

RABBIT – YQCA Required
Superintendent: Janette Brincks (319-415-5771)

RULES: (Be familiar with the General Livestock Rules)

- 1) All rabbits must be tattooed, identified, and entered into classes through FairEntry.com by June 15th.
- 2) **All tattoos will match class identifications. Tattoos will be checked.**
- 3) A maximum of 23 rabbits may be identified.
- 4) Limit of 2 entries per class.
- 5) **All youth in 4-12 grades must have Youth for Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) certification by June 15 to show at the fair.**
- 6) All rabbits will arrive on Wednesday July 6th and go through the vet check-in from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Rabbits will be housed in a barn throughout the fair. Cages provided. Exhibitors are responsible for care, feed, and feeding devices/containers throughout the week's events.
- 7) Any cage locks or table covers (carpet sample, rug, folded blanket, etc.) are the responsibility of the exhibitor.
- 8) Pet rabbits should be exhibited as a pet and will not remain on the grounds.
- 9) Members must be present at the time of judging to show rabbits. Show order is at the discretion of the superintendent.
- 10) Clover Kids will show for a participation ribbon only. Clover Kids are encouraged to show with an Intermediate or Senior 4-H or FFA member as a team.
- 11) Class 4 rabbits are rabbit breeds that have only 4 classes. Class 6 rabbits are rabbit breeds that have 6 classes. You can find out what class your rabbit breed is in by referencing the book - *Standard of Perfection*. The Extension Office has a copy of this book for you to review.
- 12) Class Descriptions:

| | Class 4 | Class 6 |
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| Sr. Buck | Older than 6 months | 8 months & older |
| Sr. Doe | Older than 6 months | 8 months & older |
| Int. Buck | N/A | 6-8 months |
| Int. Doe | N/A | 6-8 months |
| Jr. Buck | Under 6 months | Under 6 months |
| Jr. Doe | Under 6 months | Under 6 months |

Each class depending on the breed has a weight requirement. Please look at the Standard of Perfection book to see your breed's weight requirement. Also read the Standard of Perfection Notes under Showroom Classes & Weights to learn if the rabbit's weight may allow them to be bumped up to the next class. For example: Satin Rabbit Buck, age 5 months and weighs 9 lbs. Due to this rabbit's weight, it is over the Jr. weight limit and can be judged in the Intermediate Class for Bucks'

- 13) **Check-out for Rabbits will begin Sunday at 4:30 pm. See General Livestock Rules for more on the check-out process.**
- 14) **Rabbit exhibitors must still help put away rabbit cages.**

Rabbit Showmanship (see General Showmanship Contest rules) Exhibitors will be automatically entered into the appropriate Showmanship class and should notify the Superintendent or fair staff if they choose not to participate on the day of the show. Rabbits shown in showmanship must be shown in an exhibition class by the exhibitor.

Each Showmanship Exhibitor has a time limit with the judge, 5 mins for Junior Exhibitors, 4 mins for Intermediate Exhibitors, and 3 mins for Senior Exhibitors. We go of the ARBA Showmanship standards. This form should be easy to locate by going to the ARBA website.

Senior Rabbit Showmanship
Intermediate Rabbit Showmanship
Junior Rabbit Showmanship

Clover Kids Class

27100: Clover Kid

27110: Clover Kid Showmanship (Exhibitor will carry the rabbit to table, pose rabbit, flip rabbit over, and count toenails. The exhibitor must also be able to tell judge the rabbit's weight and breed.)

Commercial Rabbits

27200: Single 6 Class Sr. Buck
 27210: Single 6 Class Sr. Doe
 27220: Single 6 Class Int. Buck
 27230: Single 6 Class Int. Doe

27240: Single 6 Class Jr. Buck
 27250: Single 6 Class Jr. Doe
 27260: Class 6 Fur

Fancy Rabbits

27300: Single Class 4 Sr. Buck
 27310: Single Class 4 Sr. Doe
 27320: Single Class 4 Jr. Buck

27330: Single Class 4 Jr. Doe
 27360: Class 4 Fur

Market Rabbits

27400: Single Meat Pen – minimum 3 ½ lbs., maximum 5 ½ lbs.
 27410: Pen of 3 Meat Rabbits – maximum 16 ½ lbs.

Disqualified Rabbits - Exhibitor gives explanation of disqualifications and how rabbit can be used in a breeding program. Repeat exhibitors must tell judge rabbit's weight.

27500: Disqualified Rabbits – 3-minute time limit.

Livestock Lending Program

- This class is specific for exhibitors who have entered into an animal sharing agreement with a local producer. These agreements can be requested from the Extension Office and must be returned by May 15.
- Exhibitors may only enter one animal in each eligible species in the Livestock Lending program.
- All exhibitors completing grades 4-12 must have current Youth for Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Certification by June 15.
- Animals must be identified on 4-H Online by May 15 and entered in Fair Entry by June 15.
- All breeds and ages of the animal are entered into their respective species' Livestock Lending class.
- There will be no separate class for 4-H and FFA members that participate in the Livestock Lending Program.
- The exhibitor will show their animal in the correct division or class that the species is required to participate in.
- Exhibitors may also exhibit their animals in their respective showmanship class.
- Exhibitors are not allowed to have sell their animals in livestock auction if they are participating in the livestock lending program.

| Division | Class | | Award |
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| 270: Rabbit Showmanship | 27001: | <i>Senior Showmanship</i> | <i>G: Choice Award R: Pink Rosette</i> |
| | 27002: | <i>Intermediate Showmanship</i> | <i>G: Purple Banner R: Pink Rosette</i> |
| | 27003: | <i>Junior Showmanship</i> | <i>G: Purple Banner R: Pink Rosette</i> |
| 271: Clover Kid Rabbits | 27100: | Clover Kid | Clover Kid Ribbon |
| | 27110: | Clover Kid Showmanship | Clover Kid Ribbon |
| 272: Commercial Rabbits | 27200: | Single 6 Class Sr. Buck | Ribbon |
| | 27210: | Single 6 Class Sr. Doe | Ribbon |
| | 27220: | Single 6 Class Int. Buck | Ribbon |
| | 27230: | Single 6 Class Int. Doe | Ribbon |
| | 27240: | Single 6 Class Jr. Buck | Ribbon |
| | 27250: | Single 6 Class Jr. Doe | Ribbon |
| | 27260: | Class 6 Fur | Ribbon |
| | 27200-27250: | <i>Best in Show Single 6 Class</i> | <i>G: Purple Rosette R: Pink Rosette</i> |
| 273: Fancy Rabbits | 27300: | Single Class 4 Sr. Buck | Ribbon |
| | 27310: | Single Class 4 Sr. Does | Ribbon |
| | 27320: | Single Class 4 Jr. Buck | Ribbon |
| | 27330: | Single Class 4 Jr. Does | Ribbon |
| | 27360: | Class 4 Fur | Ribbon |
| | 27300- 27330: | <i>Best in Show Single Class 4</i> | <i>G: Purple Rosette R: Pink Rosette</i> |
| 274: Market Rabbits | 27400: | Single Meat Pen | G: Purple Rosette R: Pink Rosette |
| | 27410: | Pen of 3 Market Rabbits | G: Purple Banner R: Pink Rosette |
| 275: Disqualified Rabbits | 27500: | Disqualified Rabbits | G: Purple Rosette |
| 276: Grand and Reserves <i>Best in Show</i> | 27600: | <i>Grand Champion Best in Show</i> | <i>G: Purple Banner</i> |
| | 27610: | <i>Reserve Grand Champion Best in Show</i> | <i>G: Pink Banner</i> |