



# CLAY COUNTY FAIR 4-H/FFA DISTRICT RABBIT SHOW & SHOWMANSHIP

Saturday, September 16, 2023

Clay County Fairgrounds, Spencer

Check-in: 8:00-9:30 a.m. | Showmanship: 10:00-11:30 a.m. | Show: 12:00 noon

- All 2023 Clay County Fair Book rules apply. For complete rules, view the Fair Book at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/clay/county-fair>. Decisions made by the rabbit committee at check-in are final.
- Judges are ARBA licensed judges, Shane Ringdahl and Ruby Rezac. Rabbits will be judged by breed as per the American Rabbit Breeders Standard of Perfection. The ARBA Showmanship Judging Sheet for will be used for scoring showmanship. Visit <https://arba.net> to view it.
- You may enter the fairgrounds to drop off rabbits at the new Small Animal Barn, which is located east of Gate E and south of the Clay County Cattlemen's Branding Iron. Then you must remove your vehicle to parking outside the fairgrounds unless you have a parking pass for the 4-H lot on the fairgrounds. You will be allowed to return to the barn after the show to pick up rabbits. Once on fairgrounds, rabbits must stay in the rabbit barn until check-out begins at 5:00 pm.
- All rabbits will undergo a health check at check-in. Any rabbit found to be showing any signs of illness will be removed from the fairgrounds and not allowed to be shown. No rabbits housed or exhibitors living within 150 miles of a confirmed RHD, RHVD1, RHVD2 positive case or outbreak will be allowed to enter the show or showmanship.
- All rabbits including showmanship rabbits must have legible tattoos at the time of check-in. Rabbits with illegible tattoos will not be allowed in the show or showmanship as per the 2023 Fair Book rules. There is no tattooing on the fairgrounds, and rabbits with illegible tattoos will not be allowed to leave and then return with tattoo same day.
- There is no advertising or selling of 4-H/FFA rabbits in the rabbit barn or on the Clay County Fairgrounds during this show. You may sell rabbits at the ARBA Open Rabbit Breeder Show on Sunday, September 17.
- If you are showing other livestock or attending a livestock sale, you must inform us at check-in and have another rabbit project 4-H member (who has completed YOCA training for the year) lined up to place your rabbit on the table during show.
- Awards: Best of Breed, Best Opposite Sex, Best in Show, Reserve in Show, Supreme Champion, and Showmanship.
- Check-out starts at 5:00 p.m. All County and District rabbits must be out of the barn by 7:00 p.m. You are required to clean up your sitting area before you will be signed out to leave, and you must have a sign-out slip to leave the barn.



## Registration

**All rabbits, including showmanship rabbits, must be registered in 4-H Online (<https://4honline.com/>) by July 1 and entered in the show.**

Showmanship rabbits must be entered in and shown in the rabbit show in order to compete in showmanship. There will be no changing of tattoos or substitution of rabbits at check-in.

**Rabbits for both the rabbit show and showmanship must be entered in FairEntry (<https://claycounty4hffafair.fairentry.com>) by August 1.**

Cost is \$4.00 per rabbit.

## Questions?

Contact the ISU Extension and Outreach Clay County office at 712-262-2264 or [xclay@iastate.edu](mailto:xclay@iastate.edu)

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