

DEPARTMENT 9 RABBITS

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1. Judging will be held on Thursday July 20 at 6:00 pm
2. Exhibitors in the 4-H Rabbit Department are not eligible to exhibit in the FFA Rabbit Department or vice-versa.
3. Rabbits will follow the American Rabbit breeders Association Standard of Perfection (SOP). The SOP book is available at the Extension office.
4. Any questions and/or problems in an animal barn are to be addressed to the superintendent of the barn.
5. Morning chores must be done by 8:00 a.m. and evening chores by 6:00 p.m. Consequences may be enforced. Stalls/Pens/Cages should be cleaned at both chore times AM and PM, and preferably at least once during the day.
6. **It is the intent that the 4-H and FFA member take responsibility for caring for and grooming their own animals. If assistance is needed it must be done by a family member and/or another Van Buren County 4-H or FFA Member. Family members include and are limited to: parent/legal guardian, brother, sister or step-siblings. 1st Offense Verbal Warning 2nd Offense Ribbon Reduction**
7. An exhibitor may sell 5 head of rabbits total through the livestock sale
8. A rabbit shown in the Pet department- Rabbit is not eligible to be shown in the Rabbit department. Likewise a rabbit shown in the rabbit department is not eligible to be shown in the Pet department

CLASS A – RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP

Lot 1—Senior Rabbit Showmanship

Lot 2 – Intermediate Rabbit Showmanship

Lot 3– Junior Rabbit Showmanship

AN EXHIBITOR MAY NOT HAVE MORE THAN 2 ENTRIES PER LOT

CLASS B – RABBIT (MEAT TYPE)

Meat rabbits will be judged according to criteria set in the American Rabbit Breeders Association Standard of perfection official guidebook.

Lot 1 – Single fryer (Between 3.5 & 5.5 lbs. & not over 70 days old)

Lot 2 – Meat pen – 3 rabbits of the same breed and variety. Each rabbit must weigh 3.5-5.5 lbs. and not be over 70 days old.

Lot 3– Roaster not over 6 months (Between 5.5-9 lbs.)

Champion Rabbit (Meat Type)

Reserve Champion Rabbit (Meat Type)

CLASS C – COMMERCIAL BREED

Breeds considered in this class are: American, American Chinchilla, Argent Brun, Beveren, Blanc de Hotot, Californian, Champagne D'argent, Checkered Giant, Cinnamon, Crème D'argent, English Lop, Flemish Giant, French Lop, Giant Angora, Giant Chinchilla, New Zealand, Palomino, Satin, Silver Fox.

Commercial Breed rabbits will be judged according to criteria set in the American Rabbit Breeders Association Standard of perfection official guidebook. No Crossbred rabbits will be allowed in the commercial breed class.

- Lot 1 – Sr. Buck (over 8 months)
- Lot 2 – Sr. Doe (over 8 months)
- Lot 3- Intermediate Buck (6-8 months)
- Lot 4 – Intermediate Doe (6-8 months)
- Lot 5 – Jr. Buck (under 6 months)
- Lot 6 – Jr. Doe (under 6 months)

Champion Commercial Breed
Reserve Champion Commercial Breed

CLASS D - FANCY BREED

Breeds considered in this class are: American Fuzzy Lop, American Sable, Belgian Hare, Britannia Petite, Czech Frosty, Dutch, Dwarf Hotot, Dwarf papillon English Angora, English Spot, Florida White, French Angora, Harlequin, Havana, Himalayan, Holland Lop, Jersey Woolly, Lilac, Lion Head, Mini Lop, Mini Rex, Mini Satin, Netherland Dwarf, Polish, Rex, Rhinelander, Satin Angora, Silver, Silver Marten, Standard Chinchilla, Tan, Thrianta.

Fancy Breed rabbits will be judged according to criteria set in the American Rabbit Breeders Association Standard of perfection official guidebook. No Crossbred rabbits will be allowed in the Fancy breed class.

- Lot 1 – Sr. Buck (over 6 months)
- Lot 2 – Sr. Doe (over 6 months)
- Lot 3 – Jr. Buck (under 6 months)
- Lot 4 – Jr. Doe (under 6 months)

Champion Fancy Breed
Reserve Champion Fancy Breed

CLASS E – CROSSBRED RABBIT

Crossbred Rabbits shall consist of all other breeds or varieties not recognized from lists above.

This class is not eligible for Overall champion or Overall reserve champion

- Lot 1 – Sr. Buck (over 6 months)
- Lot 2 – Sr. Doe (over 6 months)
- Lot 3 – Jr. Buck (under 6 months)
- Lot 4 – Jr. Doe (under 6 months)

Champion Crossbred Rabbit
Reserve Champion Crossbred Rabbit

Overall Champion Rabbit
Overall Reserve Champion Rabbit

Exhibitors desiring to sell rabbits and/or poultry will need to contact the extension office by 12:00 pm SUNDAY, July 23rd

