

RABBIT

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Show Date: Monday, July 14 Show Time: 9:00a.m.
Show will be ran according to ARBA rules.

Rabbit Project	Enrollment Deadline	Tagging Requirements	State Fair
Tattoo Date	May 11	Tattooing & Class Identification	
	May 15	Tattoo	Yes

Tag and Tattoo Requirements

1. All rabbits must have a tattoo (with the exception of meat pen rabbits).
2. The tattoo information must be accurately listed in the 4HOnline System (<https://in.4honline.com>).
3. Any animal not officially enrolled by the enrollment date is not eligible to show at the county or state fair.

Project Requirements

1. One (1) or more animals fed and cared for by member by May 15th (or by tattoo date)
2. Rabbit Record Sheets Completed and Returned at check-in
3. **For information on YQCA (mandatory requirement to show in county and state fair) Please see General Livestock Rules #8, page 35.**

Exhibit

A 4-H member may show a maximum of 8 entries plus one meat pen and/or single fryer. (You will be provided one (1) pen at no charge for supplies.)

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****2019 FAIR INFORMATION****

Entry time/Check-in for RABBITS

Thursday, July 11th, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Clean-up & Release Time: TBA

Every exhibitor shall help clean up before leaving with their animals!

Any animal to be sold must be enrolled in the sale immediately following the show.

4-H RABBIT ILLUSTRATED TALK CONTEST

Entry time: Upon animal entry time,

Thursday, July 11th, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Rabbit Barn

Judging: Sunday, July 14th, 9-11:00a.m., Rabbit Barn

1. Each 4-H Rabbit Illustrated Talk should be original and of a practical nature related to some phase of the rabbit industry. Elaborate and expensive equipment cannot be justified.
2. The Illustrated Talk should last 5-7 minutes for Level 1 and Level 2 and 5-10 minutes for Level 3. Judges will deduct points when the presentation exceeds 10 minutes for a Level 1 and Level 2 and 15 minutes for Level 3.

4-H RABBIT POSTER CONTEST

Entry time: Thursday, July 11th, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Rabbit Barn

Judging: Saturday, July 14, 9-11:00a.m., Rabbit Barn

(SEE POSTER DIAGRAM PAGE 237)

1. Any 4-H rabbit project member may enter one rabbit poster.
2. Level 1 exhibits are for 4-H members grades 3-5.
3. Level 2 exhibits are for 4-H members grades 6-8.
4. Level 3 exhibits are for 4-H members grades 9-12.
5. Grade is determined as of January 1st of the calendar year.
6. The purpose of the poster is to share something learned from the rabbit project this year. The poster will be 22" x 28" displayed horizontally with a stiff backing and covered with plastic. Please put your name on the back of the poster. A tag will be furnished for the front of the poster; listing the level, club, county, etc. (Poster board and plastic sleeve can be purchased at the Extension Office.)
7. Attach a 3" x 5" card to the back of the poster listing the references. It is **REQUIRED** that all posters, notebooks, and display boards include a reference list indicating where information was obtained, giving credit to the original author, to complete the 4-H member's exhibit. This reference list should include web site links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is recommended this reference list be attached to the back of a poster or display board, be the last page of a notebook, or included as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the manner in which references are listed.
8. Each 4-H rabbit poster exhibit will receive a blue, red or white ribbon based on quality as determined by the judge.
9. A Grand Champion Rosette will be awarded for all first place posters.

**Posters must be the original work of the 4-H member. Posters used in previous years will be disqualified.*

4-H RABBIT AMBASSADOR CONTEST

Entry time: Thursday, July 11th, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Rabbit Barn

Judging: Sunday, July 14th 9-11:00a.m., Rabbit Barn

The 4-H'er must furnish his/her own rabbit. Preparation of the rabbit will be completed before the contest. Attention to the cleanliness of the rabbit and its' health is very important. Rabbits used in the contest must be one of the rabbits entered for the regular show.

Novice - 4-H member in the 3rd or 4th grade on January 1st of the current year

Junior - 4-H member in the 5th or 6th grade on January 1st of the current year

Intermediate - 4-H member in the 7th or 8th grade on January 1st of the current year

Senior - 4-H member in the 9th or 10th grade on January 1st of the current year

Master - 4-H member in the 11th grade or above on January 1st of the current year

-There will be a Champion trophy and rosette awarded for each of the division described above.

-There will be a Reserve Champion rosette awarded for each of the divisions described above.

1. Questions for the contest will be taken from the following publications: (For All divisions)

a) Rabbits, Rabbits, Rabbits (4-H publication #288)

b) Standard of Perfection 2006 (published by ARBA)

c) In the event there is a conflict of information, the Standard of Perfection is considered the authority!

2. Tie scores will be broken as follows:

a) highest test score, then, if necessary,

b) highest breed identification score, then, if necessary,

c) oral test given by a committee of three (3) people appointed by rabbit ambassador chairperson.

4-H Rabbit Ambassador Contest Procedures:

1. Test - 100 points

a) Novice and junior categories: 25 questions

b) Intermediate, senior and master categories: 50 questions

c) Questions may be true/false, multiple choice or a combination thereof

2. Breed Identification - 60 points

a) Identify and classify ten (10) rabbits according to show room classification and class.

b) Show room classification refers to the term used to enter the rabbit in a show thereby indicating how it is shown. Specifically, the Netherland Dwarf rabbit is shown by variety and should be identified by variety only. The Jersey Wooly breed is shown by groups and should be identified by group only.

3. Showmanship - 100 points

a) Each contestant must furnish his/her own rabbit and bring the rabbit to the judge in a carrier. Rabbit must be tattooed.

b) The rabbit should be in a solid bottom carrier.

c) Rabbits used in the Ambassador contest must be entered in the rabbit show.

d) Contestants should refer to the 4-H Rabbit Ambassador Contest Showmanship Score Sheet as a resource. This form will be available in Extension Offices or on the 4-H website. (www.four-h.purdue.edu)

4-H RABBIT JUDGING

Judging time: Sunday, July 14, 9am. All rabbits will be shown by breed and class.

1. **ALL RABBITS MUST BE PUREBRED RABBITS!** *No mixed breed rabbits will be accepted.
2. *Rabbits will be brought in approximately 6 weeks prior to the fair for identification* *(with exception on the meat pen rabbits). *You will receive a postcard designating the time, date, and place from the 4-H County Project Leader.*
3. Rabbits will be divided into classes according to breed sections:
 - Senior Buck** - 8 months and older
 - Senior Doe** - 8 months and older
 - 6/8 Buck** - 6 to 8 months
 - Meat Pen** – Between 3 ½ lbs. up to 5 ½ lbs, not over 70 days
 - 6/8 Doe** - (6 to 8 months)
 - Junior Buck** - under 6 months
 - Junior Doe** - under 6 months

*Meat Pen rabbits must weigh a minimum of 3 ½ lbs. each to sell in livestock sale.
*Single Fryer-single fryers are not eligible for the 4-H Livestock Sale.
5. Each 4-H member may show one meat pen. A meat pen is constituted by 3 (three) rabbits of the same breed and the same variety; each rabbit weighing between 3 ½ up to 5 ½ pounds and not over 70 days old.
6. Entry **MUST** be permanently marked with a readable ear tattoo (in left ear) when presented to the Project Leader for entry.
7. No rabbit will be accepted unless checked in by the Project Leader
8. Any rabbit showing signs of disease or defect will be rejected by the designated health inspector and /or Project Leader. ***The designated health inspector's word is final!***
9. All cages will be filled by order of entry. No animals or equipment will be placed in cages until animals have been checked in.
10. A rabbit entered in one class may only be shown in that class. **IT MAY NOT BE SHOWN IN ANOTHER CLASS**, except for Single Fryer Class. Single Fryer rabbits may be selected and shown from the 4-H members Meat Pen entry.
11. All 4-H exhibitors are responsible on the day of judging for carrying their rabbits to and from the judging table. Show personnel will not carry any 4-H rabbits for judging.
12. All exhibitors **MUST FURNISH THEIR OWN FEED, FEEDERS AND WATERERS.**
13. All exhibitors must have a completed record book when entering their rabbits.
14. Release time will be Tuesday, July 17, 6:30 pm., **EXCEPT FOR MEAT PEN RABBITS TO BE SOLD IN THE AUCTION.** Rabbits removed before Tuesday, July 17, 6:30pm without consent of the Superintendent and /or Project Leader will forfeit all prizes.
15. **For Pen Fees please refer to the General Livestock Rules, #15 on page 36.** Remember, you may only put one rabbit in a cage (except for meat pen and/or single fryer).
16. Additional questions and situations will be handled by the species livestock superintendent, Youth Extension Educator, and 4-H Council President.

Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons will be given for each breed. Each exhibit will receive a blue, red, or white ribbon based on quality as determined by judges.

Clover Bud Rule

To be eligible to show in any Clover Bud/Mini 4-H animal show, the mini 4-H'er (K - 2nd Grade) must enroll in Clover Buds on the 4HOnline system or at the Extension Office by **May 15th**.

** All rabbits shown in the Clover Bud Show must be a preregistered rabbit (check-in Thursday, July 11th)

A Mini-4-H Show will be held at the start of the Rabbit Show in the Rabbit Barn. A participation ribbon will be presented to each participant