

PURDUE EXTENSION STEUBEN COUNTY

4-H Rabbit WORKSHEETS

Grade 10-A

Name: _____



4-H Club: _____

Conformation

What are the five rabbit's conformations recognized by the American Rabbit Breeders Association:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Fill in the blanks with the conformation types.

1. Arch from nape of neck to the junction of the tail: _____
2. Ideal meat type: _____
3. Mandolin type: _____
4. Tubular body: _____
5. Shorter bodied: _____

Palpation

Answer the following true or false.

1. Palpation is the process of determining if the doe is pregnant. _____
2. Palpation is done by feeling for developing pups in the uterus. _____
3. A non-pregnant doe is called "closed". _____
4. A ten-day old fetus is about the size of a cherry. _____
5. At 14-17 days the fetus is about the size of a grape. _____

Vocabulary

Answer each the question with a one-word answer. Right the answer on the line.

1. Any deviation from the normally accepted condition of the body structure of a rabbit.

2. A person who raises a special breed or variety of rabbits. _____
3. A fault or defect detracting from the rabbit's appearance. _____
4. The body of a slaughtered rabbit. _____
5. The way rabbits mark their territory by rubbing their chins which leaves a small amount of secretion from the rabbit's scent glands. _____

Answers can be found in the OSU Rabbit Resource Handbook – 4-H 228R.

6. To remove the least desirable rabbits from the litter or herd. _____
7. The intestines of an animal. _____
8. To remove the entrails of an animal. _____
9. The mating of rabbits that are closely related. _____
10. For the doe to produce milk for her kits. _____
11. One buck and one doe _____
12. A buck used for breeding; the father of offspring. _____
13. Isolating new rabbits in an area away from established rabbits. _____
14. A system or means of circulating air or providing fresh air. _____

Nutrition

Using the Feed Tag to the right answer the following questions:

1. What does "Free Choice" mean on the tag?

2. How many ounces of feed should you give a doe that has just kidded? _____
3. How many ounces should you give a buck?

4. What ingredient does this feed contain the most of?

5. Name 3 Fat-soluble Vitamins in this feed?

6. Name 4 Water-soluble Vitamins in this feed?

7. Name 5 of the Minerals found in this feed?

Ingredients: Forage products (alfalfa), wheat midds, roughage products (oat or rice hulls), plant protein products, grain products, molasses products, calcium carbonate, salt, dicalcium phosphate, choline, chloride, DL-methionine, ferrous oxide, magnesium oxide, niacin supplement, vitamin E supplement, calcium pantothenate, riboflavin supplement, vitamin B-12 supplement, vitamin A supplement, vitamin D-3 supplement, zinc sulfate, zinc oxide, manganous oxide, calcium iodate, ferrous carbonate, copper sulfate, cobalt carbonate, sodium selenite.

Guaranteed Analysis: Crude Fiber (min.) 17.00%, Crude Protein (min.) 16.00%, Crude Fat (min.) 1.50%, Calcium (Ca) (min.) 0.60%, Phosphorus (P) (min.) 0.40%, Salt (NaCl) (min.) 0.50%, Crude Fiber (max.) 20.00%, Calcium (Ca) (max.) 1.10%, Salt (NaCl) (max.) 1.00%, Vitamin A (min.) 4,650 IU/lb.

Feeding instructions: Does, just after kindling: 2-4 oz. the first day to prevent caked udders, gradually increase 1/2 oz. daily to free-choice within 4-5 days. Lactating Does & Bunnies: Free-choice one week after kindling. Does at weaning: 1/2 oz. for three days to reduce milk production and prevent caked udders. Gestating Does (not lactating): 4-6 oz./day to free-choice - adjust to maintain desired weight. Weaned Bunnies: Free-choice Dry Does, Bucks and Pets: 4-6 oz./day - adjust to maintain proper weight. Show Rabbits: Free-choice