

# POULTRY

**PLEASE NOTE: Any changes/updates from the previous year will be *BOLDED* and *ITALICIZED*! Pay special attention to any projects with **BOLD**, *ITALICIZED WORDS* because they have changed from last year.**

<i>Completion, exhibition participation, and State Fair information for Poultry</i>			
<i>Division/Level</i>	<i>Grades</i>	<i>Completion Activities Needed*</i>	<i>Maximum State Fair Entries</i>
<i>Level 1</i>	<i>Grades 3-5</i>	<i>Complete 7 Activities*</i>	<i>Check IN St Fair Website</i>
<i>Level 2</i>	<i>Grades 6-8</i>	<i>Complete 7 Activities*</i>	<i>Check IN State Fair Website</i>
<i>Level 3</i>	<i>Grades 9-12</i>	<i>Complete 7 Activities*</i>	<i>Check IN State Fair Website</i>

***\*\*“Activities” are defined as project manual activities and/or Hendricks County 4-H Workshops related to this topic. Members must be able to prove attendance by getting a signature from 4-H Leader/Project Advisor that conducts the workshop. Activity sheets available in the Extension Office with Poultry Project Manuals. Fair Exhibit requirements are listed below.***

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

(All chickens and waterfowl)

1. 4-H Poultry will be released on Saturday following the Supreme Showmanship Contest.
2. Birds entered at the Hendricks County Fair must be owned, raised, and cared for by the 4-H'er.
3. 4-H exhibitors must have been enrolled in the project on 4-H Online prior to May 15th.
4. For competitive County Fair purposes, it is recommended that 4-H birds be hatched prior to May 1st, except as specified for birds shown in meat classes.
5. Individual chicken and waterfowl identification are not required for entry, although it is highly desirable.
6. All eggs are the property of the Fair management and not to be gathered by anyone except Fair employees.
7. All exhibition birds will be judged according to the American Standard of Perfection and authorized by the American Poultry Association. The American Standard of Perfection Book (in color) is available on loan at the Hendricks County Extension Office.
8. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be awarded for Standard Breeds, Bantams, Waterfowl, Pigeons, Commercial Chickens, Turkey and All other poultry.
9. All exhibits will be ranked on Blue, Red, and White ribbon quality. Champion and Reserve Champion, Reserve Ribbons will be awarded according to the classes as listed OR as determined by the Fair Board Director and Superintendent.
10. It is recommended that 4-H club members be present at the time their 4-H poultry exhibit is judged. Order of show will be determined by the judge and show committee. Valuable information may be obtained by 4-H members from listening to the reasons that the judge gives for placing the classes.
11. 4-H exhibitors and their parents should read both the general 4-H terms and conditions and the animal health requirements including NPIP information found in the front portion of this Handbook. 4-H Poultry exhibits are to be accompanied by an official health certificate or an appropriate NPIP certificate. ***Blood testing (NPIP) of birds MUST be completed prior to the start of the Hendricks County 4-H Fair. Documentation must be presented at check-in. Unless otherwise stated prior to the County/State Fair.***
12. 4-H poultry members must have ownership forms completed and turned in by May 15<sup>th</sup> to the Hendricks County Extension Office. **In addition to the Poultry Entry Forms, 4-H members must also identify which animal(s) and classes they intend to exhibit in during the Hendricks County 4-H Fair on the FairEntry Online system by designated date.**
13. To exhibit beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, goats, poultry and rabbits, 4-H members must be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals. See General Livestock Guidelines for more information.

## Care and Management

9. The Hendricks County Fair will furnish all coops.
1. Exhibitors are personally responsible for maintaining clean **cages** and keeping an attractive exhibit through the Fair. Waste bedding should be dumped into the designated dumpster. Note: This is a condition of exhibit at the Hendricks County Fair and failure to comply will be handled accordingly.
2. Carrying cases cannot remain in or be stored in the County Fair poultry building.
3. ***Birds must be free of external parasites at check-in.***

4. Dirty birds may be dropped one (1) ribbon place per discretion of judge, and may be excused from the show at the discretion of the Barn Director, or designee.
5. Sick birds are not to be removed from their assigned Hendricks air /cage without written consent.
6. Birds removed without written approval will be handled per general rules and guidelines.
7. Exhibitors must furnish feed, feed containers, water, and bedding while on the grounds.

## **CLASSES:**

### **COMMERCIAL CHICKENS:**

A 4-H'er may show any number of entries in each commercial chicken class. An entry consists of 2 birds. In judging, special attention will be given to growth, development, and production qualities.

Description of birds:

- Pullets - 2 female birds of the same breeding less than one-year day of show.
- Hens - 2 female birds of the same breeding in laying condition one year or more day of show.
- Broilers - 2 birds of the same sex, 6 to 8 weeks of age and not over 5 ½ pounds on show day.
- Roasters - 2 birds of the same sex, 8 to 12 weeks of age and 5 ½ to 10 pounds on show day.

### **COMMERCIAL CHICKEN CLASSES:**

- White Egg Shell Pullets
- White Egg Shell Hens
- Brown Egg Shell Pullets
- Brown Egg Shell Hens
- Broilers (Meat Type)
- Roasters (Meat Type)

### **EXHIBITION EGGS:**

Exhibit – an entry of six eggs displayed in a foam carton. Eggs will be disposed of by the project leader at the end of the 4-H Show.

A 4-H'er may make one entry of six eggs per class for a total of 18 eggs in three cartons. Description of Eggs:

- Brown Shell Chicken Eggs
- White Shell Chicken Eggs
- All other Eggs

### **EXHIBITION CHICKENS:**

A 4-H'er may show any number of entries in each class. Depending on the number of entries, it may be necessary to limit entries to 3 breeds.

Description of Birds and Classes:

- Cock - Male over 1-year day of show.
- Cockerel - Male under 1-year day of show.
- Hen - Female over 1-year day of show.
- Pullet - Female under 1 year day of show.

### **LARGE FOWL CLASSES:**

- American – Plymouth Rocks, Dominiques, Wyandottes, Javas, Rhode Island Reds, Rhode Island Whites, Buckeyes, Chanteclers, Jersey Giants, Lamonas, New Hampshires, Hollands, Delawares
- Asiatic – Brahmas, Cochins, Langshans
- English – Dorkings, Red Caps, Cornish, Orpingtons, Sussex, Australorps
- Mediterranean – Leghorns, Minorcas, Spanish, Andalusians, Anconas, Sicilian Buttercups, Catalanas
- All Other Standard Breeds
  - (AOSB) Games - Modern, Old English
  - Oriental – Malays, Sumatras, Aseels, Shamos, Yokohamas, Phoenix, Cubalayas Miscellaneous – Sultans, Frizzels, Naked Necks, Araucanas, Ameraucanas
- Continental
  - Continental North European – Hamburgs, Campines, Lakenvelders, Barnevelders, Welsummers
  - Continental Polish – Bearded, Non-Bearded
  - Continental French – Houdans, Faverolies, Crevecoeurs, La Fleche

### **BANTAM CLASSES:**

- Game Bantam – Modern, Old English
- Single Comb Clean Legged (SCCL) – Anconas, Andalusians, Australorps, Catalanas, Campines, Delawares, Dorkings, Dutch, Frizzies, Hollands, Japanese, Javas, Jersey Giants, Lakenvelders, Lamonas, Leghorns, Minorcas, Naked Necks, New Hampshires, Orpingtons, Phoenix, Plymouth Rocks, Rhode Island Reds, Spanish, Sussex
- Rose Comb Clean Legged (RCCL) – Anconas, Antwerp Belgians (D’anvers), Dominques, Dorkings, Hamburgs, Leghorns, Minorcas, Red Caps, Rhode Islands, Rosecombs, Sebrights, Wyandottes
- All Other Comb Clean Legged (AOCCL) – Ameraucanas, Araucanas, Buckeyes, Chanteclers, Cornish, Crevecoeurs, Cubalayas, Houdans, La Fleche, Malays, Polish, Shamos, Sicilian Buttercups, Sumatras, Yokohamas
- Feather Legged – Booted, Brahmas, Cochins, Faverolies, Frizzles, Langshans, Silkies, Sultans, d’Uccle

### **WATERFOWL:**

A 4-H'er may show any number of entries in each class. There are no age requirements.

#### **CLASSES:**

- Heavy Weight – Pekin, Aylesbury, Rouen, Muscovy, Saxony, Silver Appleyard
- Medium Weight – Cayuga, Crested, Swedish, Buff
- Light Weight – Runner, Campbell, Magpie, Welsh Harlequin
- Bantam – Call, East Indies, Mallard

### **GEESE CLASS:**

- Heavy – Toulouse, Embden(Emden), African
- Medium – Sebastapol, Pilgrim, American Buff, Saddleback Pomeranian
- Light – Chinese (China), Tufted Roman, Canada, Egyptian

### **TURKEYS:**

- All breeds of turkeys – Commercial, Bronze, Narragansett, White Holland, Black, Slate, Bourbon Red, Beltsville Small White, Royal Palm

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### **4-H POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST:**

The 4-H Poultry Showmanship Contest will be held ***the day of the*** 4-H Poultry Show. 4-H'ers will demonstrate their ability to present birds which are clean and healthy, trained and manageable, along with techniques of proper display. This activity provides an opportunity to competitively demonstrate one's knowledge and skill in raising, conditioning, evaluating and handling poultry. The booklet 4-H 679 4-H Showmanship, is available at the Extension Office and contains excellent information on showmanship. ***All birds used in poultry showmanship must be entered into the Hendricks County 4-H Fair.***

- **Junior Showmanship**- grades 3 through 5 in January of the current year.
- **Intermediate Showmanship**- grades 6 through 8 in January of the current year.
- **Senior Showmanship** - grades 9 in January of the current year through their last eligible year in 4-H.

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### **4-H POULTRY POSTER EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT:**

To promote educational displays by 4-H members that enjoy developing a poster exhibit, the following classes shall be offered.

- **Level 1** (Grades 3 thru 5 in January of current year)
- **Level 2** (Grades 6 thru 8 in January of current year)
- **Level 3** (Grades 9 thru 12 in January of current year)

**Remember:** All posters, notebooks, and display boards **MUST** 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/might 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. Reference Sheets are available at the Extension Office for use. For personal safety, do not include personally identifiable information such as mailing address or phone numbers on posters/displays/exhibits.

Exhibit format:

Use a 22" x 28" poster board with a stiff backing and a clear protective covering. Posters must be displayed

horizontally. A poster label secured from your leader should be attached to the lower right-hand corner of the poster exhibit. Exhibit suggestions are listed in your manual. Posters will be judged with all other project posters/exhibits.

#### 4-H POULTRY SCIENCE DISPLAY

- **Level 1** (Grades 3 thru 5 in January of current year)
- **Level 2** (Grades 6 thru 8 in January of current year)
- **Level 3** (Grades 9 thru 12 in January of current year)

Develop an idea and build it into an attractive display as well as learn the technical aspect of some part of the poultry industry. Poultry science displays must occupy a space no larger than 30" deep x 48" wide x 72" high. A poster label secured from your leader should be attached to the lower right-hand corner of the poster exhibit.

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#### **ILLUSTRATED TALK (Poultry and Rabbits):**

- 4-H'ers must provide their 4-H Completion Card at entry of the contest to participate.
  - An illustrated talk is offered at the Hendricks County and Indiana State Fair in poultry and rabbits.
  - Entries for this event must sign up on FairEntry by designated date.
  - All participants must complete the Indiana State Fair Rabbit or Poultry entry form if you plan to participate in the contest at the State Fair. This completed form is to be submitted to the rabbit or poultry barn office, respective to the contest, at check-in. There is no Indiana State Fair entry fee for this event.
  - Categories will be Novice (grades 3-4), Junior (grades 5-6), Intermediate (grades 7-8), Senior (grades 9-10), and Master (grades 11-12).
  - An illustrated talk is for any 4-H member and allows the member to present a 5-7-minute speech to the audience on a topic related to that project while using props and/or a PowerPoint, Prezi, or other digital presentation.
  - There is no interaction with the audience.
  - Check the Hendricks County 4-H Fair Schedule and Indiana State Fair 4-H Premium book for the time, date, and location of this event.
  - State Fair entries will be accepted through the county Purdue Extension office or on-site at the poultry or rabbit show for the respective event. Check the Indiana State Fair 4-H Premium book for the time, location, and deadline to enter if entering on-site.
  - Live animals that would be eligible to show in that project may be used in the illustrated talk.
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#### **4-H ROOSTER CROWING CONTEST (Optional):**

1. The Hendricks County 4-H Rooster crowing contest will be held on the day of show. This is a fun contest and 4-H exhibitors will receive participation ribbons for the contest. Only 4-H birds may enter the contest.
2. The location of the contest will be in the Small Animals Pavilion and will begin at lunch break.
3. No entry fee is required.
4. Entries will be made daily up to the start of the contest by the Small Animals Pavilion Director.
5. Special judges will be announced by the Small Animals Pavilion Director and qualified recorders will be assigned to record the number of crows during the specified time.
6. Roosters will be penned in the individual coops and handlers may use any method to get their exhibit to crow without touching the bird (talk, gimmick, clap sides with hands, throw them food, etc.).
7. Anyone can participate in the rooster crowing contest, including the general public.