

# Waterfowl

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## PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

This project allows the 4-H member to learn about waterfowl. This includes selection of the bird, proper care, safety and good showmanship practices. **All Waterfowl/Poultry members must be YQCA certified to show.**

## IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. Birds must be a recognized breed by the American Poultry Association.
2. Birds will be judged according to the American Standard of Perfection as authorized by the American Poultry Association.
3. 4-Hers may enter a maximum of one entry per class per breed.
4. **Entry forms and entry fees are due no later than May 15. No exceptions.**
5. **All scratches must be declared no later than the last Friday of June (same day as faireentry.com is due).**
6. Classes will be determined by Superintendent based on animal enrollment.
5. Waterfowl are not required to have NPIP testing.
6. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be awarded for commercial goose and commercial duck. These birds will then be judged in the Commercial Group for overall Commercial Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion.
7. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be awarded for category (heavy, medium, light, bantam) of duck and each category (heavy, medium, light) of goose. An overall waterfowl champion and reserve waterfowl champion will be selected from the category winners. These selections will compete for the Exhibition Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion awards.
8. Refer to the Poultry Standard of Perfection or the Indiana State Fair 4-H and FFA Premium Book for further information on breed classifications.
9. All birds must remain on the fairground until release time.

## Commercial Waterfowl

4-Her may exhibit one bird per class per specie. (4 ducks, 4 geese total)

### Class Descriptions

1. Old Drake / Old Gander: A male bird one year old or more on the day of the show.
2. Young Drake/ Young Gander: A male bird less than one year of age on the day of the show.
3. Old Duck/ Old Goose: A female bird on year old or more on the day of the show.
4. Young Duck/ Young Goose: A female bird less than one year old on the day of the show.

## Exhibition Waterfowl

4-Her may exhibit one bird per class per breed.

### Class Descriptions

1. Old Drake / Old Gander: A male bird one year old or more on the day of the show.
2. Young Drake/ Young Gander: A male bird less than one year of age on the day of the show.
3. Old Duck/ Old Goose: A female bird on year old or more on the day of the show.
4. Young Duck/ Young Goose: A female bird less than one year old on the day of the show.

## **POSTER PROJECT**

The Waterfowl/Poultry project may be completed by Poster at the County Fair but does not advance to State Fair.

Poster exhibits must have the standardized exhibit card in the lower right-hand corner with the 4-H member's name, project and club. Allow room on your poster for the exhibit card. The exhibit cards will be available at check-in time at the fair.

1. Posters must be 22" x 28" and DISPLAYED HORIZONTALLY ■ and not vertically ▮.
2. POSTER MUST BE SELF-SUPPORTING (remain standing when leaned at a slight angle). Use heavy cardboard or foam board. For foam board, contact the Extension Office.
3. All posters must be covered with clear plastic (NOT SARAN WRAP). Contact the Extension Office to purchase acetate poster sleeves.
4. All poster type projects must have a title or theme on the poster. Check your manual for specifications. Be sure the poster accurately meets the guidelines and objectives of the activities in the manual.
5. All items must be securely mounted on the poster or display board
6. When designing your poster, you should consider: lines, shapes, textures, colors and placement of items.