

JUNIOR FAIR RABBIT SHOW

Department 300

Saturday, August 17, 2019 @ 5:00 pm in Strausbaugh Arena



Spectator Seating:

Goat/Rabbit/Poultry Shows: Spectators are not permitted to bring chairs to sit on the sidewalk around the Strausbaugh show arena (per request of show judges). The Fairboard will provide additional bleachers.

Possession Dates:

Single Roaster Rabbits, Breeding, and Doe from Doe/Litter June 1
Meat Pen Rabbits July 15

Central Tagging & Health Check, June 1, 2019

- Single Roaster Rabbits, Breeding Rabbits, Does from Doe/Litter

Meat Pen Tattooing, July 25, 2019

Weight Guidelines:

Rabbits (roasters) 5 ½ – 9 pounds
Meat type rabbit under six months of age on show day

Rabbits (meat pens) Weight of each rabbit for a meat pen is 3 ½ - 5 ½ pounds
Must be less than 70 days old on show day.

Junior Fair Livestock Check-In:

1. Livestock arrival time is Friday, from 4:00 pm – 9:00pm. Jr Fairboard members may move animals in from 1:00pm-3:00pm.
2. Exhibitor must present a completed Drug Use Notification Form (DUNF) on all animals at the gate. DUNF must indicate member has attended a Quality Assurance Training and the form must be signed by member and parent if the exhibitor is under 18 years old when the DUNF is due.
3. Animals must be free of all drug residues upon arrival to the fairgrounds for exhibition.
4. Health papers are not required for animals residing in Ohio.
5. Exhibitors must check in with the Barn Superintendent before placing animal in stall. Pen assignments for all Junior Fair exhibits will be made by Barn Superintendent. **Any changes in these pen assignments without prior approval of the Barn Superintendent will result in forfeiture of premium and the exhibitor not being permitted to show in the current year with that project and animal will be sent home.**

Junior Fair Livestock Release:

1. The release time for Rabbits is between 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm on Friday night

Clean Pen:

Each exhibitor must clean his or her stall/pen prior to leaving the fairgrounds. **Exhibitor must wait until animal has been loaded from pen to start cleaning pens.** Exhibitor must check out with a Barn representative. Pens must be cleaned by 12:00 noon on Saturday. Failure to do so will result in **forfeiting current year premiums and eligibility for exhibition with that species for the following year.** Evaluation of the stalls/pens will be done by the Barn Supervisor.



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General Information:

1. Market rabbits will be weighed-in at check-in. Rabbits not meeting required weight may be re-weighed prior to show. Rabbits not making weight (including alternates) must go home the same day.
2. If there is a question as to whether a rabbit meat pen or any other market rabbit should be tattooed on the assigned date, the Rabbit Barn Supervisor and/or Assistant Barn Supervisor will have final say. The **Pet Rabbit Project** is judged as a small animal project at still project judging and not at the county fair. See 4-H Family Handbook for more details.
Doe Litter Class: The possession date for Doe Litter class is June 1st. The doe must come to central tagging for check-in. Litter should be 4-6 weeks at Fair.
3. **# of Entries:** Exhibitors are allowed **EIGHT** entries with a max of two entries/class. Exhibitors may have two entries per class (a maximum of 2 bucks and 2 does per breed, as single breeding rabbits). Exhibitors may tag one alternate rabbit per breed, one buck and one doe, as single breeding rabbits. Exhibitors may tag one alternate meat class rabbit per exhibitor (ex; one roaster total, one meat pen total-3). Alternate must be of same breed as rabbit tagged. Example: This means that an exhibitor can take a total of 2 roasters but they can only tag one alternate. Also means that an exhibitor can take a total of 2 meat pens but can only tag 1 pen of alternates, which is a total of 3 bunnies. Alternates must be of the same breed as pen entered.
4. **Market Rabbit Tattoos:** Tattoo numbers for all meat pens/roasters will be pre-assigned.
5. Rabbits entered in the single breeding and doe & litter classes must be purebred of a recognized ARBA breed. Rabbits entered in market (meat pen & roaster) classes are not required to be purebred or a recognized ARBA breed. Rabbits of a non-recognized ARBA breed will be entered into a Crossbred class.
6. All exhibitors with a rabbit project showing at the Fair must have attended Quality Assurance training.
7. All rabbits must be permanently ear marked. The rabbit must be tattooed prior to or at the PRE-FAIR check-in. (This does not apply to litters for the doe & litter class.)
8. All single breeding and roaster rabbits **MUST** be checked-in and tattooed if necessary at the June Central Tagging. Does for the doe & litter class must be checked-in and tattooed at the June Central Tagging. (litters do not need to be checked prior to the fair).
9. Sick rabbits will not be permitted in the rabbit barn.
10. A rabbit may not be entered in more than one class (excluding showmanship)
11. Exhibitors must show their own rabbit in showmanship.

Recommended Show Attire:

1. Dark pants or jeans and a dress shirt.
2. White coats are recommended (especially for showmanship) but not required. No logos visible. ARBA patches permitted.
3. Hard soled shoes (ex: work boots or cowboy boots) no tennis shoes or sandals.
4. No hats or caps. No clothing items with logos visible. No Shorts
5. Show attire may not include a farm name and or advertisement for a farm, breeder, etc.
6. No identifying tags or marks on animals or exhibitors will be permitted. This means no farm tags, special show harnesses or marked show shirts are allowed.
7. It is at the discretion of the Barn Supervisor to ask an exhibitor to change clothing for a class.

Premiums and Awards

1. Refer to the available premium list in the general guidelines.
2. Must have a minimum of three entries to have a trophy or plaque.
3. Thank you cards will be required by the end of the week to the Jr. Fair office in order to receive premiums. It is up to the Barn Superintendent as to how to distribute the trophies/thank you cards.



Rabbit Projects

Single Breeding Rabbit (4-H project #225) Each breed of rabbit will constitute **two classes 1) bucks and 2) does**. Classes will not be divided into Jr./Sr. **Exhibitors can enter up to two rabbits per class (a maximum of 2 bucks and 2 does per breed, as single breeding rabbits)**. Rabbits will be judged based on the American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) Standards of Perfection. Best of Breed (BOB) and Best Opposite Sex of Breed (BOS) will be awarded for each **breed**, if applicable.

Doe & Litter (4-H project #225) Litters must be between 4 and 6 weeks old on the day of the show. **A litter consists of at least one rabbit**. The possession date for the doe is June 1. 4-H members must be taking the breeding rabbit project to be eligible for this class. Commercial and fancy will be judged in **two separate classes**. **A grand & reserve champion overall will be chosen from the top two entries in each class.**

Roaster (4-H project #226) A single meat-type rabbit that is under 6 months of age on show day. **The rabbit is not required to be purebred. The rabbit must weigh at least 5 ½ lbs. and not more than 9 lbs at fair check-in.** The possession date for roasters is June 1, and they must be checked-in and tattooed if necessary on the second Saturday of June. 4-H members must be taking the market rabbit project to be eligible for this class.

Meat Pen(4-H project #226) Three meat-type rabbits of the same breed (or parentage) and variety (color). **The rabbit is not required to be purebred. The rabbits must be less than 70 days old on show day. Each rabbit must weigh at least 3 ½ lbs. and not more than 5 ½ lbs at fair check-in.** *(Not all breeds of meat-type rabbits will reach the minimum weight requirement at this age, while some breeds may be able to exceed the maximum weight at this age.)* Possession date for meat pens is July 15.

Class Descriptions:

Section A: Showmanship (Ages are as of Jan. 1st of current 4-H year)

- 300 A 1 Senior Showmanship (16-19 years)
- 300 A 2 Intermediate Showmanship (13-15 years)
- 300 A 3 Junior Showmanship (12 years and younger)
- 300 A 4 Beginner Showmanship (Any age but limited to those exhibitors who are taking that species as a junior fair project for the first time).

Section B Market

- 300 B 1 Meat Pen Rabbits - 3 rabbits
- 300 B 2 Single Roaster Rabbit

Section C: Doe & Litter

- 300 C 1 Doe & Litter - Commercial
- 300 C 2 Doe & Litter – Fancy

Section D Single Breeding Rabbits

- 300 D 1 Single Breeding Class (will enter appropriate breed class)

