JUNIOR FAIR RABBIT SHOW
Department 300

Saturday, August 20, 2022 @ 10:00 am in Strausbaugh Arena

NEW:
- Eliminated crossbred class. Breeding classes will consist of recognized ARBA breeds.
- Underweight market roasters will be sent home
- Overweight fryers will be bumped to roaster class
- Rabbits must show as entered. Market animals may not switch to breeding class and vice versa.

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
- Single Fryer Rabbits: July 15

Central Tagging & Health Check, June 11, 2022
- Single Roaster Rabbits, Breeding Rabbits,

Single Fryer Tattooing, July 28, 2022 6pm at Extension Office

Weight Guidelines:
Rabbits - Roasters: 5 ½ – 9 pounds
Meat type rabbit under six months of age on show day

Rabbits - Fryers: 3 ½ - 5 ½ pounds
Must be less than 70 days old on show day.

Junior Fair Livestock Check-In:
1. Livestock Check-in is Friday, 8:00 am – 11:00 am or 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm.
2. All animals must have a valid DUNF form completed via the Online DUNF link. The On-Line link will open the Wednesday before livestock check-in. It is recommended to wait as close to weigh-in/move-in day as possible to ensure the information is correct and the animal is drug free as of move in date. Animals must be free of all drug residues on move-in date.
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.
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.

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 should be tattooed on the assigned date, the Rabbit Barn Supervisor and/or Assistant Barn Supervisor will have final say.
3. The Pet Rabbit Project is judged as a small animal project at still project judging and not at fair.
4. # 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. Alternate must be of same breed as rabbit tagged. Exhibitors may tag one alternate market rabbit per exhibitor (ex. One extra roaster and or one extra fryer). Example: This means that an exhibitor can take a total of 2 roasters but they can only tag one alternate. Alternates must be of the same breed as pen entered.
5. Tattoos: Exhibitors may use a current tattoo or may tattoo own rabbit. Rabbits not previously tattooed will receive a pre-assigned tattoo number.
6. Wellness Check: Exhibitor must be able to present (lift and contain) rabbit on the table for wellness check.
7. Rabbits entered in the single breeding classes must be purebred of a recognized ARBA breed
8. Rabbits entered in market classes are not required to be purebred or a recognized ARBA breed.
9. All single breeding and roaster rabbits MUST be checked-in and tattooed if necessary at the June Central Tagging.
10. Sick rabbits will not be permitted in the rabbit barn.
11. A rabbit may not be entered in more than one class (excluding showmanship)
12. 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.
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.

**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.

**Fryer** (4-H project #226) A single meat-type rabbit that is less than 70 days old on show day. The rabbit is not required to be purebred. Fryer 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 Single Fryer Rabbit
- 300 B 2 Single Roaster Rabbit

**Section D Single Breeding Rabbits**

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