



# RABBITS

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## RABBITS All Breeds (Class Code RAB)

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### ENTRY RULES

1. All project members and exhibitors must follow all Holmes County Jr. Fair General Rules and conform to Livestock Exhibit Health Requirements listed previously in this fair book. Rabbits are not required to have health papers. All rabbits, including pet projects, MUST be permanently tattooed in the left ear for identification purposes. All tattooing must be done prior to coming onto the fairgrounds. No sick animals will be admitted or allowed to remain on the fairgrounds. The Fair Veterinarian shall have unquestioned authority to dismiss and/or treat any animal not cared for by the exhibitor or his/her representative. All rabbits are expected to be provided with food, water, and clean bedding on a regular basis.
  2. All livestock to be exhibited must be entered on an entry form, which is due at the Extension Office by July 1st, 2010 FAIR ENTRIES PROCEDURE: Fair Entry Forms (for pen assignments) will be accepted at the Holmes Co. Fair Grounds Jr. Fair Board Office on the following dates and times: Mailed entries will not be accepted.
 

Tuesday .....	June 8 .....	3:00 - 7:00 PM
Thursday .....	June 17 .....	3:00 - 7:00 PM
Saturday .....	June 26 .....	9:00 AM - NOON
Thursday .....	July 1 .....	3:00 - 7:00 PM

or no space will be available for your animal(s) at the fair. Note: If you plan to exhibit a Giant breed rabbit or a Pen of Three Fryers, please mark on your entry form that you will need 2 cages for that particular animal(s). Forms are available from the Extension Office or FFA advisors.
  3. All exhibitors MUST have met their individual 4-H club or organization's rules and guidelines in order to show and/or sell at the fair.
  4. All rabbit exhibitors must have received their rabbit project grade(s) in order to participate in the Jr. Fair Show(s). Livestock project grades will be determined by the Skill-a-Thon judging, which consists of an interview evaluation, knowledge of the project area, and completion of their project record book(s) and related materials. All Jr. Fair exhibitors MUST attend scheduled county judging; if unable to attend, club advisors may evaluate projects, but it must be done prior to the county evaluation date. Please Note: Members who do not attend the scheduled county evaluation ARE NOT ELIGIBLE for Outstanding Market Livestock Awards.
  5. The Holmes County Jr. Fair Rabbit Committee has adopted the standards established by the American Rabbit Breeder's Association in an attempt to maintain a standard consistent with those being instituted at Ohio State level. Note: Animals not meeting breed standards will NOT be disqualified, they will be down-placed.
  6. Breeding Rabbit Project: An exhibitor MUST be enrolled in the Breeding Rabbit project in order to take a rabbit to the fair for entry into the regular All Breed Show. Taking this project does not mean that you must breed your rabbit! All breeding project animals must be in the possession of the exhibitor by June 1. Breed classes will be divided into four or six classes according to age and sex. (Sr. Buck, Sr. Doe, Inter. Buck, Inter. Doe, Jr. Buck, Jr. Doe). These classes may be joined at the judge's discretion. All exhibitors may enter no more than one rabbit in each class, except where required in the herd class. The herd class will consist of 1 Sr. Buck, 1 Sr. Doe, and 2 of their Junior or Intermediate aged offspring (also must all be the same breed). It is recommended that any rabbit in breed classes be at least 4 1/4 months of age at the time of the show.
  7. Market or Fryer Projects: (Pen of Three Fryers and Single Fryer) An exhibitor MUST be enrolled in the Market Rabbit Project in order to take a Pen of Three Fryers and /or a Single Fryer to the fair.
    - A. Pen of Three Fryers:
      1. A pen of three fryers must consist of three rabbits.
      2. All must be of the same breed and variety (3 Broken or 3 Solids).
    - B. Single Fryer: This is a new class that has been added.
      1. A single fryer must meet the same age and weight requirements as the pen of three fryers listed above. You may enter only 1 rabbit in the single fryer class. It can be either a buck or a doe. You may choose to use 1 rabbit from your pen of three fryers entry or you may bring a different one.
      2. A single fryer will NOT be sold in the Market Livestock Sale unless the animal is a member of your pen of three fryers entry.
      3. All entries in the single fryer class must have a permanent, legible tattoo.
  8. Pet Rabbit Project:
 

An exhibitor MUST be enrolled in the pet rabbit project to enter their rabbit in the pet rabbit show. This project is meant for exhibitors who want to house train their pet and have it be an active member of the household. It is also for those exhibitors who have a mixed breed rabbit. All exhibitors enrolled in this project are encouraged to exhibit their animal at the fair. These animals will be judged in the Pet Rabbit Show only; they will NOT be permitted entry into the regular All Breed Show to compete against other rabbits of the same breed. The pet show will be judged on exhibitor knowledge, condition of the rabbit, and basic showmanship techniques. All pet rabbits MUST be permanently tattooed in the left ear. Pet rabbit projects are NOT eligible to show in any other class including regular showmanship.
  9. Dress Code for the Show:
 

Accepted dress for the rabbit show will consist of the following: a long sleeved shirt or lab coat in the color of light blue or white, and long pants. No shorts or open-toed shoes.
  10. No one is to be in the rabbit barn between the hours of 11 PM. - 6 AM except in the case of an emergency involving your animal.
  11. Only pine shavings (NO cedar shavings) and/or wheat straw will be accepted as bedding for all rabbit projects during the fair. This is to protect the health of your animal.
  12. No locks on cages: This is so that, if there is an emergency, the vet has access to your animal(s).
3. A pen of three fryers does not necessarily have to come from the same litter.
    4. A pen of three fryers may be bred and raised by the exhibitor, or they may be purchased from a breeder (this is a change from previous years).
    5. Age limit is ten weeks, and suggested breeding date is 100 days before the show.
    6. If a pen of fryers is purchased from a breeder, you MUST be in possession of the fryer animals by the mandatory tattooing date.
    7. Mandatory identification of the Pen of Three Fryers (by permanent tattooing) MUST be done on July 17, 2010, at 6 PM at the Fun Show, which is held at the Holmes County Fairgrounds.
    8. Exhibitors may bring up to 6 fryer rabbits to be tattooed.
 

Please Note: There will be a special award given at the show to the highest placing Fryer Pen that was bred and raised by the exhibitor. In order to qualify for this award, you must bring one of the production does with you to mandatory tattooing.
    9. All pens of three fryer exhibits WILL be sold in the Market Livestock Sale. Due to the requirements of the Market Livestock Sale Committee, the following guidelines will be followed for the weigh-in process.
      - a. The pen of three fryer projects will be officially weighed in from 4-6 PM. on the Sunday before the fair at the small arena.
      - b. You may only weigh in 3 rabbits total, and they will only be weighed one time. (We advise that you weigh them & choose your pen at home prior to coming onto the fairgrounds.)
      - c. Minimum weight is 3 pounds per animal and maximum weight in 5 pounds per animal. If these weight requirements are not met, the exhibit will automatically be entered in the Over/Under Weight Class and will not compete for placing.

**SHOWMANSHIP RULES INCLUDING SUPREME**

1. Showmanship classes are divided by age of exhibitor as of January 1. All exhibitors are encouraged to participate and will automatically be entered into the appropriate age group. Showmanship classes are as follows.

- a. **Beginner Showmanship:** Is designed for 1st year project members regardless of age. Those who participate in the Beginner class may not compete in any other showmanship class, and are not eligible for the Outstanding Market Award and/or Supreme Showmanship, if applicable. First year project members may choose NOT to participate in the Beginner class, and may, instead, enter the class of their appropriate age group. Opting out of the Beginner class would then enable the participant to be eligible for the award(s) available to their appropriate age class, as well as the Outstanding Market Award, and/or participation in the Supreme Showmanship Contest, where applicable.
- b. **Junior Showmanship:** Is for those participants who are ages 11 and under as of January 1.
- c. **Intermediate Showmanship:** Is for those participants who are ages 12 -14 as of January 1.
- d. **Senior Showmanship:** Is for those participants who are ages 15 and over as of January 1.

2. **Supreme Showmanship Class:** The current year Junior, Intermediate and Senior Showmanship Class winners, are eligible to compete in the Supreme Showmanship Class. Past Supreme Showmanship winners are also eligible to compete in this class every year they remain in 4-H/FFA, regardless of their current year age class placing.

**100 - RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP**

*Section/Class Description*

100 20 Senior Showmanship (Ages 15 and Up)

Award Sponsors:

- Grand Champion - Loudonville Farmers Equity
- Reserve Grand Champion - Precious Moments Maltese

100 30 Intermediate Showmanship (Ages 12-14)

Award Sponsors:

- Grand Champion - 3 Oaks Enhancements
- Reserve Grand Champion - John & Dona Roberts

100 40 Junior Showmanship (Ages 8-11)

Award Sponsors:

- Grand Champion - Steve, Sara, Laura & Emily Miller
- Reserve Grand Champion - Variegated Clovers 4-H Club

100 50 Beginner Showmanship (1 st Year Rabbit Project only)

Award Sponsor:

- Investment Partners Ltd., Mbg.

100 60 Supreme Showmanship

Award Sponsor:

- Drs. Jim & Holly Conway

**200 - RABBIT BREED CLASSES**

Award Sponsors:

- Grand Champion- Gary Uhl Family
- Reserve Grand Champion- James Klingler Family

Commercial Breed Champion

Award Sponsors:

- Grand Champion-Marvin Yoder, Scenic Ridge Masonry
- Reserve Grand Champion -Jenni Yoder, Cornerstone Rabbitery

Fancy Breed Champion

Award Sponsors:

- Grand Champion-Robert and Susan Collett
- Reserve Grand Champion The Bargain Hunter

Best Of Show

Award Sponsors:

- Grand Champion-Robert and Stacey Arman

**800 - PET RABBIT CLASSES**

800 10 Pet Rabbit Class

**900 - MARKET RABBIT CLASSES**

900 10 Pen of Three Fryers

Award Sponsors:

- Grand Champion- McMillen Tours
- Reserve Grand Champion- B&D Valley Farm- Bill Davenport

900 20 Single Fryer

Award Sponsors:

- Grand Champion- Doug & Brenda Hostettler
- Reserve Grand Champion- Holmes Co. Recorder Anita Hall

<p><i>Entry Example:</i> A Junior Buck Satin would be registered as 370/50; An Intermediate Californian Doe would be registered as 240/40</p> <p><i>Class Codes:</i> 10-Senior Buck 30-Intermediate Buck 50-Junior Buck</p>	<p>20-Senior Doe 40-Intermediate Doe 60-Junior Doe</p>	<p><b>BREED CATEGORY</b></p> <p>Section Codes</p>	290-Cinnamon	500-American Fuzzy Lops	600-Harlequin	700-Rhineland
		210-American	510-American Sable	610-Himalayan	710-Silver Martin	
		220-Giant Angora	300-Cream D'Argent	520-Angora	620-Jersey Wooley	720-Tan
		230-Beveren	310-Flemish Giant	530-Belgian Hare	630-Lilac	730-Havana
		240-Californian	320-Hotot	540-Brittania Petite	640-Holland Lop	800-Pet Rabbit
		250-Champagne D'Argent	330-English Lop	550-Standard Chinchilla	650-Mini Lop	900-Market Rabbit
		260-Checkered Giant	340-French Lop	560-Dutch	660-Mini Rex	910-Mini Satin
		270-American Chinchilla	350-New Zealand	570-Dwarf Hotot	670-Netherland Dwarf	920-Thrianta
		280-Giant Chinchilla	360-Palomino	580-English Spot	680-Polish	
			370-Satin	590-Florida White	690-Rex	
			380-Silver Fox			

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