

# POULTRY

## POULTRY SHOW RULES

- Exhibitors must cage their birds throughout the fair.
- **MAXIMUM ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR** - Each 4-H and FFA member is limited to 10 total poultry entries consisting of a combination of the following: 8 large fowl or bantam birds, 1 project single broiler, 1 project broiler pen of 3, 1 non-project single broiler, 1 non-project broiler pen of 3, 1 project turkey, 1 project turkey pen of 2, 1 single meat duck or goose, 1 meat duck or goose pen of 3, 1 trio of chicks, 1 production trio. Birds entered as individuals, trios, or pens may not be interchanged. Eggs are not part of the 10 live-bird entry limit, but are limited to one dozen per exhibitor.
- Minimum weights for exhibition birds will be as stated in The American Standard of Perfection and Bantam Standard.
- **BREEDS** - To be eligible for breed exhibition, cockerel, pullet, cock or hen chicken entries must be fair representatives of one of the breeds listed in the American Standard of Perfection.
- **PRODUCTION TRIO** - A pen of egg production birds can be hybrids, crossbred or purebred and shall consist of 3 sexually mature females. Egg production females will be judged for production qualities only and need not necessarily conform to breed standards. Hens must be in egg production.
- **RULES FOR BANTAM & OTHER POULTRY** - The rules for standard size chickens apply equally to bantams, waterfowl and turkeys where applicable.
- **ENTRIES MUST BE 4-H PROJECT BIRDS** - All poultry exhibited must be grown in a 4-H member's project.
- **DRESS CODE** - Exhibitors must be dressed at all times in official dress (See Dress Code) during the contest. Long pants are required. 4-Hers will be judged on the neatness of their appearance. This includes but is not limited to: shirt tucked in, appropriate size of clothing, tied shoelaces, etc. Individuals not meeting these requirements will be lowered one (1) ribbon placing in showmanship. For concerns, contact the superintendent in advance.
- **HEALTH REQUIREMENTS** - Health certificate not required for poultry. No additional testing requirements for Nebraska origin poultry.
- Please provide documentation of Nebraska origin of poultry.
- Scoresheets, forms, contest study materials, and additional resources can be found at <http://go.unl.edu/ne4hpoultry>

PREMIUMS: Purple-\$3.00; Blue-\$2.00; Red-\$1.50; White-\$1.00

### DIVISION 74 - SHOWMANSHIP

- **BASIS FOR JUDGING** - Showmanship is based on grooming and training of the bird and the appearance and behavior of the exhibitor. The exhibitor must vocally explain the steps in their routine and the merit of the bird. Primarily showmanship is the skill of the exhibitor in presenting and explaining the bird before the judge. The excellence of the bird is not considered in scoring.
- The judge may or may not ask questions of the exhibitor at the close of the routine.
- Maximum length of showmanship presentations is four minutes. Exhibitors will be timed.
- Each exhibitor can show only in one division for each SPECIES of livestock. **An animal can be shown only once in a showmanship class.**

G074001 **SENIOR SHOWMANSHIP** (12 & above before January 1 of the current calendar year)  
G074002 **JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP** (11 & under before January 1 of the current calendar year)

### DIVISION 75 - LARGE FOWL

G075002 **COCKEREL** - Standard  
G075003 **PULLET** - Standard  
G075004 **COCK** - Standard  
G075005 **HEN** - Standard  
G080019 **PRODUCTION TRIO**

### DIVISION 76 - BANTAMS

G076001 **COCKEREL** - Bantam  
G076002 **PULLET** - Bantam  
G076003 **COCK** - Bantam  
G076004 **HEN** - Bantam

### DIVISION 77 - DUCKS

G077001 **YOUNG DRAKE**  
G077002 **YOUNG DUCK**  
G077003 **OLD DRAKE** (Over 1 Year)  
G077004 **OLD DUCK** (Over 1 Year)

## DIVISION 78 - GEESE

G078001 **YOUNG GANDER**  
G078002 **YOUNG GOOSE**  
G078003 **OLD GANDER** (Over 1 Year)  
G078004 **OLD GOOSE** (Over 1 Year)

## DIVISION 79 - TURKEYS

G079001 **YOUNG TOM**  
G079002 **YOUNG HEN**  
G079003 **OLD TOM** (Over 1 Year)  
G079004 **OLD HEN** (Over 1 Year)

## DIVISION 80 - POULTRY EMBRYOLOGY

G080001 **PICTURE STORY** (Individual)  
G080002 **POSTER DRAWING** (Individual)  
G080003 **DIARY** (Class or Club)  
G080004 **SCHOOL DISPLAY** (Class or Club)  
G080005 **SINGLE BIRD ENTRY** - Duck or Chicken (Embryology Class)

## DIVISION 81 - MARKET/MEAT CLASSES

G081001 **SINGLE PROJECT BROILER** (chicks ordered through the extension office)  
G081002 **SINGLE NON-PROJECT BROILER**

G081003 **PROJECT BROILER PEN-OF-THREE** (chicks ordered through the extension office)  
G081004 **NON-PROJECT BROILER PEN-OF-THREE**

- Each broiler pen entry will consist of three birds. The total weight of the three birds will be in the 12-21 lb range.

G081005 **SINGLE PROJECT TURKEY** (poults ordered through the extension office)  
G081006 **PROJECT TURKEY PEN OF 2** (poults ordered through the extension office)

- The total weight of the two birds will be in the 20-35 lb range.

## DIVISION 87 - EGGS

G087001 **ONE DOZEN WHITE EGGS**  
G087002 **ONE DOZEN BROWN EGGS**  
G087003 **ONE DOZEN OTHER COLORED EGGS**