

**AGE OF BIRDS** - Large Fowl and Bantam birds will be divided by Cock, Cockerel, Hen, and Pullet.

- Cocks and Hens are over 1 year of age
- Cockerels and Pullets are under 1 year of age

**LARGE FOWL DIVISION (limit of 6 birds)**

- **American** (Jersey Giant; New Hampshire Red; Plymouth Rock; Rhode Island Red; Wyandotte)
- **Asiatic** (Brahmas; Cochin; Langshan)
- **English** (Australorps; Cornish; Dorkings; Orpington; Sussex)
- **Mediterranean** (Leghorn; Minorca; Sicilian Buttercup; Spanish)
- **Continental** (Campines; Faverolles; Hamburg; Houdan; Lakenvelders; Polish)
- **All Other Breeds** (Naked Neck, Game, Sumatra, Araucanas, Ameracanas, Turken, Phoenix)

**BANTAM DIVISION (limit of 6 birds)**

- **Game** (Modern; Old English; Duckwing)
- **Single Comb Clean Legged** (Andalusian; Dutch; Japanese; Leghorn; New Hampshire; Plymouth Rock; Orpington; Rhode Island Red)
- **Rose Comb Clean Legged** (Rosecomb; Sebright; Wyandotte; Belgian Bearded D'Anver)
- **All Other Comb Clean Legged** (Cornish; Houdan; Polish; Sumatra)
- **Feather Legged Class** (Booted; Belgian Bearded D'Uccle; Brahmas; Cochin; Faverolles; Frizzles; Langshans; Silkies; Sultans)

**COMMERCIAL LAYER DIVISION (limit of 6 birds)**

**WATERFOWL DIVISION (limit of 6 total)**

- **Heavy Weight Duck** (Muscovy, Pekin, Rouen, Aylesbury, Appleyard, Saxony)
- **Medium Weight Duck** (Buff, Cayuga, Crested, Swedish)
- **Light Weight Duck** (Campbell, Khaki, Runner, Magpie)
- **Bantam Duck** (Call, East Indie, Mallard, Wood Ducks and Mandarins)
- **Heavy Weight Goose** (African, Emden-White, Toulouse)
- **Medium Weight Goose** (American Buff, Pilgrim, Saddleback Pomeranian, Sebastopol)
- **Light Weight Goose** (Canada, Chinese, Egyptian, Tufted Roman)

**PRODUCTION FOWL DIVISION (limit of 1 trio)**

- **Egg 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. Pullets are eligible if laying.

**OTHER POULTRY DIVISION (limit of 2 birds)**

- **Other Poultry** (Turkeys-all weights, Pigeons, Guineas, Pheasants, etc.)

**EGG DIVISION (limit of 1 dozen per 4-H exhibitor)**

- Eggs will be judged on shape, color and weight uniformity, as well as cleanliness. Do not refrigerate prior to exhibiting eggs. **4-Hers are limited to exhibiting one (1) dozen of either brown, white or other colored eggs.**

**RABBIT DIVISION**

**ARRIVAL DEADLINE** - All rabbit exhibits **must** be in place by 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 8.

**IDENTIFICATION** - It is recommended that all rabbits, except fryers, have permanent ID numbers or names in their ear with a pin tattoo pliers and tattoo ink. ID numbers or names along with class information must be supplied to superintendent at time of entry. No individual rabbit may show in more than one class.

**IDENTIFICATION FOR STATE FAIR** - Refer to the Nebraska Sate Fair Animal Identification Guidelines

**YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA)** - All 4-H youth enrolled in livestock projects are required to complete annual quality assurance training through YQCA.

**NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR** - A 4-H member is limited to exhibiting 8 rabbits.

**DRESS CODE** – see Livestock/Animal General Rules.

**CARE CODE** - The 4-H'er is responsible to feed, water and keep track of their rabbits during the Fair (it is best to label the cage). Each exhibitor must bring their own feed and water bowls. **Clean-up during and after the fair is also the exhibitor's responsibility.**

**RELEASE FROM SHOW** - Rabbits will be released after 5:30 pm on Sunday, August 11 and must be removed from the barn by 8:00 am on Monday, August 12.

### **RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP**

Champion and Reserve Champion banners will be awarded to the first and second place purples in each division. Purple, Blue, Red and White ribbons will be awarded to all participants.

- Information on rabbit showmanship is found at [go.unl.edu/ne4hrabbit](http://go.unl.edu/ne4hrabbit) and also from the Extension Office.
- The participant may use any rabbit they choose, so long as it was raised and trained by the 4-H'er.
- Basis for judging showmanship is based on grooming and training of the rabbit and the appearance and behavior of the exhibitor. The exhibitor must vocally explain the steps in their routine and the merit of the rabbit. Primarily showmanship is the skill of the exhibitor in presenting and explaining the rabbit before the judge. The excellence of the rabbit is not considered in scoring.
- **Maximum length of showmanship presentation is four minutes. Exhibitors will be timed.**
- The judge may or may not ask questions of the exhibitor at the close of the routine.
- See Rabbit Showmanship Scoresheet SF291

PREMIUMS: Purple, \$8.00; Blue, \$6.00; Red, \$4.00; White, \$2.00

- Senior Rabbit Showmanship (14 & over on December 31 of previous year)
- Junior Rabbit Showmanship (11-12-13 on December 31 of previous year)
- Novice Rabbit Showmanship (8-9-10 on December 31 of previous year)

Showmanship Order: Senior, Junior & Novice

### **BEST DRESSED RABBIT CLASS**

PREMIUMS: First, \$2.00; All Others-Participation, \$1.00

The class is for fun - exhibitors are encouraged to use their imagination to design a costume for their 4-H Rabbit. The attire should emphasize the personality of the animal. Limit of one entry per exhibitor.

### **RABBIT SHOW**

PREMIUMS: Purple, \$4.00; Blue, \$3.00; Red, \$2.00; White, \$1.00.

**TROPHIES:** See Knox County Trophy and Award List

### **MARKET RABBIT CLASSES**

- **Single Fryer** - Not over 10 weeks of age. Minimum weight of 3½ lbs; maximum weight of 5½ lbs.
- **Meat Pen** - age limit 10 weeks. Minimum weight of 3½ pounds each; maximum weight of 5½ pounds each. Meat pens shall consist of three rabbits, all of the same breed and variety. Broken group meat pens must also be of the same variety. A meat pen does not necessarily have to come from the same litter. Rabbits exhibited in Meat Pen cannot be exhibited in individual breed class.
- **Roaster** – All rabbits entered in this class must be under 6 months of age. Minimum weight of 5½ pounds; maximum weight 9 pounds.
- **Stewers** – All rabbits entered in this class must be 6 months of age and over. Minimum weight is over 8 pounds.

### **FANCY BREED RABBITS (FOR PUREBRED RABBITS ONLY)**

A. Fancy breed rabbits will be divided into the following age divisions within each breed:

- Junior Doe or Junior Buck (6 months old and younger)
- Senior Doe or Senior Buck (over 6 months old)
- Note: A Fancy Breed Rabbit that is exactly six months old on show day will be shown as a

Junior Division rabbit. A Fancy Breed rabbit that is six months plus one day old on show day will be shown as a Senior Division rabbit.

B. Age will be the age of the rabbit on show date.

C. Division breakdown will be by the age of the rabbit and not by the weight of the rabbit.

**FANCY BREED CLASSES:**

American Fuzzy Lop	Florida White	Mini Satin
American Sable	French Angora	Netherland Dwarf
Belgian Hare	Harlequin	Polish
Blue Holicer	Havana	Rex
Britannia Petite	Himalayan	Rhineland
Czech Frosty	Jersey Woolie	Satin Angora
Dutch	Lilac	Silver
Dwarf Hotot	Holland Lop	Silver Marten
Dwarf Papillion	Lionhead	Standard Chinchilla
English Angora	Mini Lop	Tan
English Spot	Mini Rex	Thrianta

**COMMERCIAL BREED RABBITS**

A. Commercial breed rabbits will be divided into the following age divisions within each breed:

- Junior Doe or Junior Buck (6 months old and younger)
- Intermediate Doe or Intermediate Buck (6-8 months old),
- Senior Doe or Senior Buck (over 8 months old)
- Note: A Commercial Breed Rabbit that is exactly six months old on show day will be shown as a Junior Division rabbit; a rabbit that is six months plus one day old on show day to eight months old will be shown as an Intermediate Division rabbit; a rabbit that is exactly eight months old on show day will be shown as an Intermediate Division rabbit; a rabbit that is eight months plus one day on show day will be shown as a Senior Division rabbit.

B. Rabbit age will be age of the rabbit on show date.

C. Division breakdown will be by the age of the rabbit and not by the weight of the rabbit.

**COMMERCIAL BREED CLASSES:**

American	Checkered Giant	Giant Chinchilla
American Chinchilla	Cinnamon	New Zealand
Argente Brun	Creme D'Argent	Palomino
Beveren	English Lop	Satin
Blanc de Hotot	Flemish Giant	Silver Fox
California	French Lop	
Champagne D'Argent	Giant Angora	

**CAT DIVISION**

**ARRIVAL TIME:** The cat project will be entered 15 minutes before the Cat Show on Thursday, August 8 which starts at 1:30 pm. The cats can be taken home following the conclusion of the Cat Show.

**NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR** - An exhibitor may make two entries.

**AGE OF CAT:** Cats must be 4 months of age and older to be shown.

**HEALTH:** Cats should be free of fleas, ticks, ear mites, ringworm, any internal and external parasite and infectious disease. Cats are required to be current on their vaccinations of Rabies, panleucopenia, viral rhinotracheitis, and calicivirus. Cats must either have a current feline leukemia vaccination or proof of a negative test within 180 days of the show. Proof of vaccinations must be presented at check-in. One of the following is required as proof of vaccination: veterinary health certificate with a veterinarian's signature or a vaccination printout or vaccination receipt from a vet clinic. 4-H'ers vaccinating their own cats must provide proof by including a statement from their vet or by including the vaccination labels on a form signed by a parent. A rabies vaccination is federally mandated to be given by a Certified Veterinarian ONLY. This vaccination must be current and printed on a veterinary clinic report.