

# **RABBIT**

**A. General Rules:** General Livestock/Animal rules apply to this department and are found in the beginning of the Fair premium Book.

**B. 4-H Exhibitors** will complete YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals) training through a YQCA certified instructor prior to June 10th.

**C. Rabbit Identification:** County fair rabbits do not need permanent ID numbers. For State Fair entry, **all** rabbits except fryers must have permanent ID numbers or names tattooed in their ear with a pin Tattoo Pliers and Tattoo Ink (permanent marker numbers written in the ears of the rabbits are NOT permanent ID numbers). Showmanship entry animals for State Fair must be IDed also. State Fair ownership must have been certified on the official 4-H ownership affidavits (4HF103) by August 10.

**D. Number of Entries per Exhibitor:** A 4-H member may have up to four entries in the Rabbit Show plus one entry in Rabbit Showmanship.

## **SHOWMANSHIP .....**

*Purple 2.50, Blue 2.25, Red 1.75, White 1.25*

4-H members enrolled in Rabbit Showmanship will present an oral presentation about the rabbit to the judge. Information on rabbit showmanship is found in 4-H 339, Rabbits, Rabbits, Rabbits, [NATL4H 08080 Rabbit 1: What's Happening?](#), [NATL4H 08081 Rabbit 2: Making Tracks](#), [NATL4H Rabbit 3: All Ears](#), and other resources may be available at the county extension office. Refer to the Livestock Showmanship rules.

**A.** Rabbit 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. Rabbit Showmanship Scoresheet: SF 291

**B.** The participant may use any rabbit they choose, so long as it was raised and trained by the 4-H'er.

**C.** The judge may or may not ask questions of the exhibitor at the close of the routine.

**D.** Maximum length of showmanship presentations is 4 minutes. Exhibitors will be timed.

## **Rabbit Showmanship.....**

+Class **G80901** Jr Rabbit Showmanship (4-H age 8-10)

+Class **G80902** Int. Rabbit Showmanship (4-H Ages 11-13)

+Class **G80903** Sr. Rabbit Showmanship (4-H age 14 & older)

## **RABBIT CLASSES.....**

+Class **G80911** – Junior Doe - Under 6 months

+Class **G80912** – Senior Doe - 6 months and older

+Class **G80913**– Junior Buck - Under 6 months

+Class **G80914** – Senior Buck –6 months and older

+Class **G80015**—Cross Bred Rabbit-Not in Pet Class