

COMPANION ANIMALS

Premium Code: SMALL ANIMAL

Rules and General Information:

1. **General Health Requirements-** Animals shall be free of fleas, ticks, mites, lice or other parasites & free of contagious diseases. Any animal showing signs of parasites or disease will not be judged.
2. **NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR-** Exhibitors may make no more than **one entry per class** with a maximum of 4 entries total.
3. **Housing of Animals-** All companion animals must be displayed in a cage or tank or on a leash furnished by the exhibitor.
4. **Dress Code-** See General Rules.
5. **Release of Exhibits-** Exhibits will be released at the conclusion of judging.
6. No ID sheet required.
7. Any animal shown as a companion animal must NOT have it's own species show to enter.

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Classes

1 Cat- Requirements:

- A. 4 months minimum age.
- B. Current shots records must be turned into office prior to the fair by pre-entry deadline. See General Rules for date.
- C. Must be on collar and leash.
- D. Health Requirements—
 1. Required to have current vaccines for rabies & distemper, Panleucopenia, rhino tracheitis, and calici virus.
 2. Must be vaccinated for feline leukemia or show proof of a negative test in the last 180 days.
 3. Rabies shots should be given at 3 months.
 4. Distemper shot should be given at weaning. Kittens too young for shots will be exempt.
- E. **Proof of vaccination must be turned in by pre-entry deadline.** See calendar for date.
- F. **Cats not meeting these health requirements will not be judged.**
- G. No expectant or nursing mother cats may enter.

3 **Ferret-** 4 months minimum age

4 **Chinchilla-** 7 weeks minimum age

5 **Guinea pig-** 4 weeks minimum age

6 **Gerbil-** 4 weeks minimum age

7 **Hamster-** 4 weeks minimum age

8 **Mouse-** 4 weeks minimum age

- 9 Rat- 4 weeks minimum age**
- 10 Hedgehog- 5 weeks minimum age**
- 11 Poster-** Can include entries covering any companion animal (including reptiles, companion birds, or others). Exhibitors should make a poster with information on the proper care of a companion animal that they are not showing in another class of the Companion Animal Show. Poster should be the size of one full standard poster (should not exceed 22" x 28") board. Exhibitors must be present at the time of judging and will be judged on quality of the poster, accuracy of information provided, and ability of the exhibitor to explain the information and answer judge's questions.
- 12* Bird**
- 13* Reptile**
- 14* Fish**
- 15* Amphibians**
- 16* Other Pet –** Pet not classified above.