

RABBIT DEPARTMENT

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Show Time: Tuesday, August 4, 2020
9:00 a.m. – Swine Arena

Barn Hours: Barns will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. daily.

Release Time: Market rabbits will be released to the packer as arranged by the Sale Committee. The barn will be closed during the time the market rabbits are loaded. All other rabbits will be released at 11:00 p.m. Saturday of the fair. The barn will be locked at midnight. Exhibitors may also remove their rabbits between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon Sunday after the fair.

SHOW ORDER WILL BE POSTED

GENERAL RULES:

1. There is a limit of one entry in each class, regardless of breed.
2. If exhibitors exhibit four breeding rabbits, they must be 1 - Sr. Doe, 1 - Sr. Buck, 1 - Jr. Doe and 1 - Jr. Buck.
3. All exhibitors of market pens of rabbits must also enter and exhibit at least two breeding rabbits, one male and one female, as part of their project exhibit.
4. Market pens weight must be 4 pounds and over for each member of the pen. Pens not meeting the weight requirement will not be eligible to compete for champion. Each of the 2 rabbits must weigh within the weight limit to be eligible for placings. Market rabbits will be tattooed at the time of fair weigh-in.
5. Market rabbits must be in the exhibitor's possession as of June 20 of the current year. Breeding rabbits must be in the exhibitor's possession as of May 15 of the current year.
6. All ages for classes listed below are as of the date of the show.
7. Exhibitors must be present at the sale to sell their rabbits unless they have received prior approval of the Junior Fair Board.
8. Ten or more entries in any breed will designate a separate class for the current year. For the first year as a separate breed, rosettes will be awarded for the best of breed and best opposite. Current year trophies for separate breeds are based on the previous year's entries. Any breed having 10 or more entries the previous year will have a trophy for the best/best opposite of that breed.
9. Exhibitors will not receive a fair exhibitor's pass the following year if they fail to (1) care for their rabbits throughout fair week, or (2) clean their pens on the last day of the fair. Each exhibitor will receive one warning from the Junior Fair Rabbit Chairman.
10. All pens must be cleaned by 10:00 a.m. daily. Exhibitors must clean pens after the fair or their fair pass will be forfeited for next year's fair.
11. No "for sale" signs are to be posted in the barn. No commercial displays are permitted in the barn.
12. Wood shavings must be used for bedding. No dyed products are permitted. If unacceptable products are used, the exhibitor will be given one notification by the Junior Fair Board to replace the bedding with acceptable materials. If the problem is not corrected after 24 hours, the exhibitor will be fined \$25 per day per pen.

13. No locks are permitted on cages.

14. The Junior Fair Board Rabbit Department makes the following recommendation to all exhibitors: all rabbits, breeding and market, should be tattooed by the exhibitor. These tattoos are to help identify and return rabbits if they should be mixed with other rabbits.

15. Market pens will be divided into classes according to the sale order.

16. Rabbits shown as a part of the pen of two market rabbits may not be shown as junior breeding rabbits.

17. There will be three judges for the show. All judges will judge the market pens for disqualifications. One judge will select the Grand and Reserve Champion Market Pen of Rabbits from all eligible pens. One judge will determine the Grand Champion Doe. One judge will determine the Grand Champion Buck. Grand and Reserve Buck and Doe will be selected before the judging of the market pens.

18. Showmanship classes will be held youngest to oldest and then Showman of Showmen.

19. Dress code for showing: long sleeve white shirt and long pants. Exhibitors not wearing a long sleeve white shirt will be permitted to show but not place. If case of extreme heat, shorts may be allowed. This decision will be at the judge's discretion and will be made on the morning of the show.

20. All entries will be final as of noon Monday of the fair. Exhibitors need to check that their rabbits were entered correctly before this deadline. Changes made after noon on Monday will mean the rabbit will not be eligible for placing.

21. Rabbits may be carried to the judging table by junior fair members only.

22. Clubs/chapters will be assigned times to supervise the rabbit barn. Two supervisors must be provided for each shift. Supervisors must personally sign in to be given credit. Groups will be fined \$10.00 for each shift they do not supervise. Any group not providing the required two supervisors will be also fined \$10.00 per shift. These fines are to be paid to the Jr. Fair Board by January 1 of the following year. Those groups not paying their fine will forfeit their club members' fair passes for the following year.

23. All market rabbits shown in the junior fair must go to harvest.

24. Show boxes must be placed under the pens or placed along the outside walls of the building. No boxes may obstruct the aisles.

25. Exhibitors must care for their animals until the animals are loaded off the fairgrounds. For market animals, if it is determined at load out that the animal has lacked food and/or water, \$10.00 will be deducted from the value of the animal. This decision will be made by the packer and representatives from the Sale Committee. For breeding animals, if it is determined that the animal has lacked food and/or water, the exhibitor will not receive a fair pass the following year. This determination will be the decision of the Junior and Senior Fair Board superintendents of the department.

26. If a market rabbit dies after fair weigh-in, the remaining rabbit in the pen can be sold as a single. The exhibitor will receive the animal value for that rabbit.

27. Every pen will be assigned a number that will be used for barn management.

Classes:

1. Senior buck - 6 months of age & over
2. Senior doe - 6 months of age & over
3. Junior buck - under 6 months of age
4. Junior doe - under 6 months of age
5. Pen of two market rabbits - weight 4 pounds and over each

Breeds:

New Zealand
Californian
Mini Rex
Mini Lop
Non Purebred
Dutch
Netherland Dwarf
Holland Lop
Other Purebred
Polish
Florida White
Jersey Wooley

Premiums:

A - \$3.00

B - \$2.00

C - \$2.00