

## Department 8 – Rabbits

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### Requirements:

1. Youth enrolled in a 4-H, FFA, or other youth groups in supervised rabbit project are eligible to participate in this project
2. All animal health requirements must be met before animals can be entered.
  - a) Exhibits showing infectious diseases may not be entered.
3. Exhibitors must contact the Debby Krueger by email at [debbyk@bayland.net](mailto:debbyk@bayland.net) or mail at 212 Farnsworth Ave, Oconto, WI 54153 by August 1 to reserve the number of pens they will require. Also indicate what exhibits can be doubled up if there is a shortage of pens.
4. Rabbit class definitions:
  - a) A fryer rabbit - not over 69 days of age, under 5 pounds. b) A roaster rabbit - between 70 and 180 days of age, over 5 lbs.
  - c) Meat pen of rabbits - 3 rabbits, all same breed and variety, one over 69 days of age or over 5 lbs.
  - d) A pet rabbit - either sex, over 6 months of age.
  - e) Neutered rabbits are not allowed to be shown in either the meat or breed classes.
5. All rabbits exhibited must be identified by a permanent identification number in ear. Identification may be accomplished by indelible marker or tattoo.
6. Rabbits shown in market classes (fryer, roaster, meat pen), and pet class may not be entered in any other class.
7. All rabbit exhibits must be in the possession of exhibitors by June 1 except market fryers and meat pen rabbits.
8. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and watering their own animals.
9. Each exhibitor must bring suitable containers for feed and water.
10. Rabbit exhibitors must supply their own fasteners for cages.
11. Pens should be cleaned on a daily basis.
12. Rabbit exhibits will be released from the fairgrounds at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday of the Fair.
13. All pens must be cleaned before rabbits will be released.
14. In accordance with Chapter ATCP 160, classes may be combined where there is no competition, or be split if too large.
15. A Best of Breed will be selected from each of the purebred classes. Best of Breed winners will compete for Best of Show.
16. **Sale of Champions Eligibility Requirements and Procedures.** Youth exhibiting in any market rabbit class can qualify for the Sale of Champions by meeting the requirements outlined in this section.
  - a) Exhibitor must have shown rabbits in at least one class in addition to the market class.
  - b) Exhibitor must have completed and turned in the market rabbit performance records provided by the Extension office.
  - c) Exhibitor has entered and participated in the appropriate rabbit showmanship class.
  - d) Exhibitors must certify that they have participated in a minimum of three training, educational, or project activities; or the equivalent, during the current project year. To qualify a rabbit for the sale one educational activity must be specific to rabbits. No duplicate activities, i.e. two jobs, three ag classes, etc. will be allowed as separate educational requirements--must be three different types of activities. A list of suggested activities meeting this requirement has been developed by the Youth Animal Sciences committees and is available from the Oconto County UW Extension Youth Development office.
  - e) An exhibitor may sell only one item in the Sale of Champions. An individual qualifying more than one exhibit for the sale will elect the exhibit they wish to sell, the second blue from the class not selected by the champion will then be eligible to sell. Exhibits must earn a blue ribbon to be eligible to sell. Exhibitors who qualify to sell more than one exhibit must report which exhibit they

will sell to the chairperson of the Sale of Champions or the Extension agriculture agent no later than one hour following the end of the last show of the fair or the Sale of Champions committee will decide which exhibit the exhibitor will sell.

- f) An extra 2 percent will be deducted from the checks of sellers who fail to help set up and take down for the auction and be present to help with cleanup of the livestock barns on the Monday following the fair.
17. Exhibits will be accepted from 1:00 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Thursday. Entry tags must be attached to the cages by 8:00 p.m. on entry day.
19. Rabbits exhibited in the Junior Fair show cannot be shown in Open Class.

**NOTE: THE JUNIOR AND OPEN RABBITS SHOW WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY. THE JUNIOR SHOW WILL BEGIN AT 9:00 AM. THE OPEN SHOW WILL BEGIN WHEN THE JUNIOR SHOW IS COMPLETED.**

<b>PREMIUMS</b>	<b><u>1st</u></b>	<b><u>2nd</u></b>	<b><u>3rd</u></b>	<b><u>4th</u></b>
All Classes	2.00	1.75	1.50	1.25
Showmanship	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50

**PUREBRED 6 CLASS BREEDS**

- CLASS AA--CALIFORNIAN**
- CLASS AB--NEW ZEALAND**
- CLASS AC--SATIN**
- CLASS AD--FLEMISH GIANT**

- CLASS AE--FRENCH LOP**
- CLASS AF--CHECKERED GIANT**
- CLASS AG--CR'EME D'ARGENT**
- CLASS AH--Any other 6 CLASS BREED**

Lot numbers for Classes AA through AH:

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|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Buck, over 8 months of age | 4. Doe, 6-8 months of age      |
| 2. Doe, over 8 months of age  | 5. Buck, under 6 months of age |
| 3. Buck, 6-8 months of age    | 6. Doe, under 6 months of age  |

\*The bests in the above breeds will compete for Best 6 Class Rabbit

**PUREBRED 4 CLASS BREEDS**

- CLASS AI--ANGORA (French or English)**
- CLASS AJ--DUTCH**
- CLASS AK--ENGLISH SPOT**
- CLASS AL--HARLEQUIN**
- CLASS AM--JERSEY WOOLY**
- CLASS AN--AMERICAN FUZZY LOP**
- CLASS AO--MINI LOP**
- CLASS AP--HOLLAND LOP**

- CLASS AQ--NETHERLAND DWARF**
- CLASS AR--REX**
- CLASS AS--MINI REX**
- CLASS AT--SILVER MARTIN**
- CLASS AU--POLISH**
- CLASS AV--HAVANA**
- CLASS AW--ANY OTHER 4 CLASS BREED**

Lot numbers for class AI through AW:

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|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Buck, over 6 months of age | 3. Buck, under 6 months of age |
| 2. Doe, over 6 months of age  | 4. Doe, under 6 months of age  |

\*The bests in the above breeds will compete for Best 4 Class Rabbit.

\*THE BEST 6 AND 4 CLASS RABBIT WILL COMPETE FOR BEST IN SHOW

**CLASS AX--LIONHEADS** (does not compete in Best in Show, but a Best in Breed will be chosen)

Lot Nos.

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|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Buck, over 6 months of age | 3. Buck, under 6 months of age |
| 2. Doe, over 6 months of age  | 4. Doe, under 6 months of age  |

**CLASS AY--CROSSBREDS RABBITS**

Lot numbers:

1. Crossbreds over 6 months of age
2. Crossbreds under 6 months of age

**CLASS AZ--MARKET RABBITS**

Lot numbers:

1. Fryer rabbit - not over 69 days of age, between 3 and 5 pounds
2. Roaster rabbit - under 6 months of age, minimum weight 5 pounds, maximum weight 8 pounds
3. Meat pen - 3 rabbits, all same breed and variety, none over 69 days of age, between 3 and 5 pounds

**CLASS BA--PET RABBIT**

Lot Numbers:

1. Beginner, Grades 3-5
2. Intermediate, Grades 6-8
3. Senior, Grades 9 & up

**CLASS BB--RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP**

Exhibitor's grade as of October 1st before Fair year.

1. Beginner Showmanship, Grades 3-5
2. Intermediate Showmanship, Grades 6-8
3. Senior Showmanship, Grades 9 & up