

POULTRY OVERALL GUIDELINES

All animals MUST be entered into FairEntry by May 15th.

General Livestock Information: See page 13 for more information

Manual Information: See page 11 for more information.

Mini 4-H - Refer to Mini 4-H rules on page 14.

Animal Enrollment Deadline: ALL animals MUST be identified in FairEntry by May 15th. See page 13 for more information.

Quality Livestock Assurance: In order to show an animal, 4-H members must be certified through Quality Assurance Training. Please See page 15 for more information.

Animal Education Posters: See Animal Education page 45. **ALL POSTERS** need to be turned in on check-in day for the exhibit buildings. **DO NOT** turn any posters in at animal check ins.

Stall Selection Process: Pens are set up on stall selection night but not assigned. Pens are given first come first serve at check in.

Exhibit Introduction:

The 4-H Poultry Project gives youth a fun and hands-on learning experience that develops life skills and teaches valuable information about properly caring for their birds. Subjects like general care, nutrition housing, and health care are presented in the curricular materials, through workshops and activities like poultry judging, and in preparation for an exhibit. Youth also have the opportunity to develop responsibility, decision-making, nurturing, and communication skills through active participation in the 4-H Poultry Project.

Check In, Show, and Check Out Dates and Times

Small animals check in, show, and check out dates and times will be in 4-H newsletter and on the fair schedule.

- Any animal not checked in at the appropriate time will not be allowed to exhibit at this year's fair. Any poster not checked in during normal project check in will be exhibition only and not receive comments.
- Exhibitors are required to tear down their own pens and clean up the surrounding area.

The appropriate specie committee will dispose of any small animal not claimed by its owner by close of animal release at the end of fair. The exhibitor of any animal disposed of by the committee will be billed for all costs, including time spent by the committee involved with disposal of the exhibit.

Overall Exhibit Guidelines:

Each exhibitor must furnish their own feed and water equipment. 4-Hers who do not care for their poultry and clean pens will not receive premium money. Turkeys should have bedding and metal or plastic feeders which should be wired to the cage. The committee will collect any eggs laid during the 4-H Fair. All exhibition chicken breeds must be recognized in the American Poultry Association, however, commercial class chickens can be crosses. Exhibitors can use <https://amerpoultryassn.com/accepted-breeds-varieties/> and <https://amerpoultryassn.com/poultry-breeds/> to class your birds based on their breed as needed.

NPIP Testing: Chicken and Turkey exhibitor must turn in their NPIP affidavit of health when entering poultry for exhibit. Waterfowl is exempt from this requirement. Birds requiring tests can schedule appointments at the Heeke ADDL lab near Dubois, IN at ph. 812-678-3401. **Waterfowl and Pigeon are exempt from this requirement.**

Poultry Showmanship - Members compete by grade. **Members must show their own animal (Only exception is if 4-H member does not have an animal on the premises).**

Junior - 3rd-5th graders

Intermediate - 6th-8th graders

Senior - 9th-12th graders

CHICKEN

Poultry Overall Guidelines: See page 30 for more information

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Commercial/Production Chickens

Pullets - Two pullets to be exhibited (Female Birds of same breed, less than 1 year of age day of show)

White Egg Shell Pullets

Brown Egg Shell Pullets

Colored Egg Shell Pullets

Hens - Two hens to be exhibited (Female birds of same breed, one year old or more day of show)

White Egg Shell Pullets

Brown Egg Shell Pullets

Colored Egg Shell Pullets

Broilers – two birds of the same sex, 6-8 weeks of age and not over 5 ½ pounds on show day

Roasters – two birds of same sex, 8-12 weeks of age (over 5 ½ pounds to 10 pounds on show day)

Exhibition Chickens

Standard Breed Chicken Classes – May exhibit one cockerel, pullet, cock, hen. No entry can be duplicated per sub-class (same age, sex, and breed). Two entries are allowed per breed category.

Breed Categories

a) American

b) Asiatic

c) Continental

d) English

e) Mediterranean

f) AOSB (All Other Standard Breed)

Bantam Breed Chicken Classes - May exhibit one cockerel, pullet, cock, hen. No entry can be duplicated per sub-class (same age, sex, and breed). Two entries are allowed per breed category.

Breed Categories

- a) SCCL (Single Comb Clean Leg)
- b) RCCL (Rose Comb Clean Leg)
- c) AOCCL (All Other Comb Clean Leg)
- d) FL (Feather Leg)
- e) OE (Old English Game)
- f) Modern (Modern Game)

Sub-Class for each category

- a) Cock - a male bird one year old or more day of show
- b) Cockerel - a male bird less than one year old day of show
- c) Hen - a female bird one year old or more day of show
- d) Pullet - a female bird less than one year old day of show

A Grand and Reserve Grand Champion will be selected from champions and reserve champions in both Bantam breed and Large Fowl breed classes.

EXHIBITION WATERFOWL

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DUCKS

Number of Animals Exhibited: All 4-H Exhibitors may exhibit **one** duck per class. This means the exhibitor can bring up to 4 entries in the duck category (one for each class)

Duck Classes – May exhibit one drake (male) or duck (female) per breed.

- 1) Heavy Weight Ducks – Includes breeds of Pekin, Aylesbury, Rouen, Muscovy, Silver Appleyard, Saxony, Any Other Variety
- 2) Medium Weight Ducks – Includes breeds of Cayuga, Crested, Blue Swedish, Buff, Any Other Variety
- 3) Light Weight Ducks – Includes breeds of Runner, Campbell, Magpie, Welsh Harlequin, Any Other Variety
- 4) Bantam Ducks – Calls, East India, Mallard, Any Other Variety

GEESE

Number of Animals Exhibited: All 4-H Exhibitors may exhibit **one** goose per class. This means the exhibitor can bring up to 3 entries in the geese category (one for each class)

Geese Classes – May exhibit one gander (male) or goose (female) per breed.

- 1) Heavy Weight Geese – Includes breeds of Toulouse, Embden, African,
- 2) Medium Weight Geese – Includes breeds of Sebastopol, Pilgrim, Buff, Pomeranian

- 3) Light Weight Geese– Includes breeds of Brown China, White China, Tufted Roman, Canada, Egyptian

A Grand and Reserve Grand Champion will be selected from champions and reserve champions from both Duck and Geese classes as the Grand and Reserve Grand Overall Exhibition Waterfowl.

PIGEON

Overall Exhibit Guidelines

All pigeons must be a recognized breed of the National Pigeon Association.

They must be in good health and good condition.

Number of Animals Exhibited: All 4-H Exhibitors may exhibit pigeons into one or more classes, but no more than one entry per class if the following is true:

- . Exhibitors are enrolled and active in 4-H Online by May 15th.
- . The exhibitor has completed an Animal Quality Assurance Training. For details, please See Indiana 4-H Livestock Quality Care on page 14.

This means the exhibitor can bring up to 4 entries in the pigeon category (one for each class)

Classes -

Old Cock, Old Hen, Young Cock, Young Hen

Mini 4-H Showmanship – See Mini 4-H Rules

Poultry Showmanship - *NEW*****– Members compete by grade. **Members must show their own animal (Only exception is if 4-H member does not have an animal on the premises).**

Junior - 3rd-5th graders

Intermediate - 6th-8th graders

Senior - 9th-12th graders

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TURKEY

Number of Animals Exhibited: All 4-H Exhibitors may exhibit turkeys into one or more classes, but no more than one entry per class as long as the following is true:

1. Exhibitors are enrolled and active in 4-H Online by May 15th.
2. The exhibitor has completed an Animal Quality Assurance Training. For details, please See Indiana 4-H Livestock Quality Care on page 14.

This means for the exhibitor can bring up to 8 entries in the turkey category (one for each class)

ALL YEARS - Exhibitor will need the date of hatch for the cage exhibit card.

Commercial Classes

- Old Tom- a male bird 16 weeks old or more day of show

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- Old Hen – a female bird 16 weeks old or more day of show
- Young Tom – a male bird less than 16 weeks of age day of show
- Young Hen – a female bird less than 16 weeks of age day of show

Heritage/Breed Classes

- Old Tom- a male bird 1 year old or more day of show
- Old Hen – a female bird 1 year old or more day of show
- Young Tom – a male bird less than 1 year of age day of show
- Young Hen – a female bird less than 1 year of age day of show

Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from each class and Grand and Reserve Grand Turkey will be chosen from the champions and reserve champions.