

March 18, 2022

Dear 4-H Rabbit Exhibitor:

As you prepare your rabbit project, please read over this letter carefully to ensure that you're meeting all the requirements for the project. Also, be sure to read the Livestock section of the handbook for all terms and conditions. As always, if you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact superintendents Lisa and Jason McEuen at 812-484-8516 or 812-306-4690 or the Purdue Extension Office at (812) 867-4935.

**Animal Identification:**

Enclosed you will find the rabbit ID form. This form is due to the Purdue Extension Office by May 16. Ensure that your animals have met the animal ID requirements listed below.

Rabbits	Left Ear Tattoo
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**Animals not enrolled by May 16 cannot be exhibited at the county or state fair.**

**Tattooing:**

The goal is to have the animal ID tattoo in the rabbit's ear by May 16; however, we understand that is not always possible due to the animal's age. A rabbit tattooing date will be scheduled for this summer if you need help with tattooing. If the animal is not able to be tattooed by May 16, please list the tattoo number you plan to use and include the specific breed color on the animal ID form. If you have questions about tattooing, please reach out to the superintendent.

**Lease Agreements:**

If you are leasing your animal, 4-H members are required to submit a copy of their Animal Lease Agreement to the Purdue Extension Office by **May 16**. A sample lease agreement is available online <https://tinyurl.com/animalleaseagreement> OR at the Purdue Extension Office.

**YQCA Training:**

To exhibit beef cattle, meat goats, dairy cattle, dairy goats, poultry, pygmy goats, rabbits, sheep, and swine, 4-H members must be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals program by July 1, 2022. Trainings can either be completed online or at an in-person training. Instructions were mailed and emailed in early March with details on completing this training and dates for in-person trainings.

**State Fair Information:**

Information about State Fair entries and the electronic entry forms can be found online at <http://www.indianastatefair.com/state-fair/competitionscontests/4-h-competitions/>. Be sure to carefully read the State Fair requirements to ensure that your animal meets the requirements and you understand the fee schedules.

If you know of someone who is taking Rabbits for the first year, please let us know so we can send them this information.

Sincerely,



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