

The 4-H Rabbit Ambassador Contest is a contest to evaluate the 4-H members knowledge and skills they have learned in the 4-H Rabbit Project. The contest has three components: Written Test, Breed Identification and Showmanship. In this contest 4-Her's will be grouped according to the grade in which they are enrolled in school on January 1 of the current year. The winner of each division (not Mini) will be able to represent your county at the Indiana State Fair 4-H Rabbit Ambassador Contest.

Kindergarten - 1st & 2nd Grades — — — — — —	— — — Mini
Grades 3 and 4	Novice
Grades 5 and 6	Junior
Grades 7 and 8	Intermediate
Grades 9 and 10	Senior
Grades 11 and 12	Master

The contestant has a responsibility to be prepared for the contest. That means being prepared to complete all three components of the contest on the scheduled contest date. Please read this overview of the contest to help you be prepared for your county 4-H Rabbit Ambassador Contest.

## TEST

The contestant needs to study basic rabbits terms and knowledge provided to them by the 4-H Rabbit Club Leader. Basic rabbit information can also be obtained through the American Rabbit Breeders Association current Standard of Perfection and the Guide to Domestic Rabbits plus your 4-H Rabbit manuals.

Each division test will be true or false, multiple choice, matching, fill in the blank or a combination of these. The questions are intended to be general knowledge and basic rabbit information. No reference material will be allowed in the contest area.

## **BREED IDENTIFICATION**

This portion of the contest allows the 4-Her to demonstrate their knowledge of BREEDS - SHOWROOM CLASSIFICATION and CLASS of rabbits that are accepted by the American Rabbit Breeders Association according to the current Standard of Perfection.

SHOWROOM CLASSIFICATION is how these breeds are shown and properly entered in a show. (Example: Solid or Broken - Black, Blue, Chocolate or Lilac - or Self, Shaded or Agouti Pattern)

CLASS - if the breed is shown in 4 Showroom Classes (Senior Buck - Senior Doe Junior Buck- Junior Doe) usually the smaller breeds then it is a 4 Class. If the breed is shown in 6 Showroom Classes usually the larger and giant breeds (Senior Buck - Senior Doe - Intermediate Buck - Intermediate Doe - Junior Buck- Junior Doe) then it is a 6 Class.

## SHOWMANSHIP

The 4-Her is to use their own rabbit for showmanship and be able to properly handle and demonstrate to the judge their ability to properly examine the rabbit for any general and/or breed disqualifications. They will need to verbally explain to the judge the steps that they are doing, and properly evaluate their rabbit according to the breed standard.