

# HUNTERDON COUNTY 4-H & AGRICULTURAL FAIR

## COUNTY 4-H RABBIT SHOW

**Date: Tuesday, August 22, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.**

**Show Superintendent: Sara Rountree**

**Location: RABBIT/POULTRY TENT**

1. Refer to general rules for all Hunterdon County 4-H Exhibits.
2. This show is open to all Hunterdon County 4-H members in grades 4<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>.  
(Grade is based on grade completed not grade entering.)
3. **All Project record books are to be checked by a club leader, who will verify that your project book is up-to-date by signing the leader verification box on the entry form. Record books are due to the leader by August 14, 2023**
4. Rabbits must be approved by 4-H leaders.
5. Exhibitors must have been 4-H members for 30 days prior to the show, and rabbits must have been owned by their exhibitor at least 30 days prior to the show.
6. All rabbits must be healthy and must be good representatives of their breed or they will not be accepted.
7. All rabbits **must have** a completed health form handed into the show superintendent **prior to the show on Tuesday, August 22, 2023**. These will be kept on file in the building for the duration of the fair.
8. All rabbits must be tattooed **at least 20 days prior to show**. Ear number must be legible.
9. No animal is to be removed from cage during fair hours unless there is an emergency or requested to do so by a superintendent or judge.
10. Rabbit must be cooped immediately following the show. **All carrying cases must be taken home.**
11. **Completed entry form should be sent to show superintendent: Kim Rountree 47 Sandy Ridge Rd., Stockton, NJ 08559 by Monday, August 14, 2023.**
12. Feed and care will be provided by the herdsman. However, all exhibitors and parents are expected to help with the care of the exhibition as requested by the superintendent or herdsman.
13. Any animal removed before 5:00 p.m., Sunday, August 27, 2023 will forfeit any awards.
14. No one connected with this show will be responsible for loss or injury; however, every precaution will be taken to eliminate them.

15. There will also be a rabbit costume class and judging class to participate in.
16. Rabbits will be judged by the American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) Standard of Perfection.
17. See additional Rules and Regulations for Showing at the Hunterdon County 4-H and Agricultural Fair.

**Danish judging System will be used:** Excellent, Very Good, Good.  
Special Award Donors will be posted in Show Building.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Additional Rules and Regulations for Showing at the Hunterdon County 4-H &amp; Agricultural Fair</b></p>
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The following rules were established by the Hunterdon Hoppers 4-H Rabbit Club following the fair of 1993. They were compiled by a number of club members and parents and are subject to change by majority vote. *Note: These rules are established as a supplement to the Hunterdon County 4-H and Agricultural Fair General Rules and Hunterdon County 4-H Rabbit Show Rules.*

### **Entries**

- August meeting attendance (accompanied by parent) is mandatory for the firsttime participant in order to exhibit.
- **Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for entries.**
- Practice entry forms will be filled out at July meeting.
- Doe & Litter entries may be limited depending on cage space available.

### **Set-Up and Clean-Up**

- Everyone showing must be at both set up and clean up. Under extraneous circumstances, see superintendent for alternatives.

### **Showing**

- Each exhibitor is responsible for getting their rabbits to the judging table and staying for judging – or they must designate an alternate member to show for them.
- Any rabbits brought into the building for sale must also be shown; therefore, all rabbits in the building will be examined by a show judge.
- **A completed record book and summary sheet must be turned into the superintendent by August 14<sup>th</sup>.**
- All rabbits must have a legible tattoo in the left ear of the rabbit
- All rabbits must have a temporary coop number marked in the right ear of the rabbit that will be assigned to them on the day of the show.

### **Sale Animals**

- Only 4-H club animals that have been shown are allowed to be sold.
- Any member with more than 15 entries must have club approval.
- All rabbits (for sale or not) will be catalogued prior to being shown. Sale and non-sale rabbits will be segregated in catalogue.
- Rabbits sold can be picked up after 12:00 p.m. Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>.

- Exceptions may be made by tent-sitters for purchasers from far away or if it is extremely necessary.
- Two-part receipt book: (1) copy placed in catalogue with purchaser's name, address, and phone number (2) copy to seller.
- A deposit of 50% or more must be taken for every rabbit sold.
- The adult tent-sitter on duty is responsible for collecting the money on their shift and also for passing it on to the next shift's adult, unless it is collected by the superintendent.
- Absolutely **NO** equipment is allowed to be sold.

## **How to Fill Out a Rabbit Show Entry Form PRINT**

Your name, address, grade completed, phone number, club, township, and date on the top of the form.

### **ENTRIES**

List your entries in groups according to breed (please print and write legibly).

### **COOP #**

Leave this column blank.

### **BREED AND COLOR**

Write the breed of your rabbit. If it is a lop breed, also write whether it is a solid or a broken. If your rabbit is not a purebred, enter it as a Mixed Breed.

### **EAR #**

This is the tattoo number. All rabbits must have a legible tattoo number by the time of the show, in the rabbit's left ear.

### **SEX**

If your rabbit is a male, write BUCK; if it is a female, write DOE.

### **CLASS**

The above groupings refer to the age of your rabbit. Most rabbits are classified as either a senior (6 months and over) or Junior (less than 6 months). A few larger breeds are also grouped as Intermediates, so refer to the Standard of Perfection to see if there is an Intermediate class for your breed. This is also where you will designate if your entry is a doe and litter.

### **RABBIT NAME**

Please write your rabbit's name here so that we can put a name tag on the cage for the rabbit.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, ASK AN OLDER MEMBER OR A LEADER!!!!!!!**