

4H/FFA YOUTH RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP RULES

Superintendent: Virginia Harris Assistant superintendent: Dawn Wilson

Online entries open November 6, 2023 and close at midnight February 16, 2024. No paper entries.

SHOW: Tuesday April 9, 2024 | 5:00 PM

CHECK IN: 4:30 PM | **LOCATION**: Show Ring

ELIGIBILITY:

- The Clay County Agricultural Fair will have a Rabbit Showmanship Contest. Rabbit showmanship is quite different from that of other animal species. Showmanship is to demonstrate a working and practical knowledge of an effective examination, evaluation and posing of a rabbit, to explore critical thinking skills and to know and demonstrate what to check for and why.
- Open to all Clay County 4-H and FFA members. Must be a bonafide member in good standing.
- For showmanship all exhibitors will be required to wear official Clay County 4-H or FFA competition attire. Closed toed shoes required.
- All Deliveries are to be made using the Livestock entry gate.
- All youth must have their rabbit entered in the open youth rabbit show in order to be eligible for the youth rabbit showmanship competition.
- You MUST check-in and have your rabbit inspected for illness at 4:30 pm in the Rabbit Barn **BEFORE** competing in the showmanship competition.
- Any rabbits exhibiting illnesses at check in will be sent home for the greater good of your animal and others on exhibit.
- All rabbits should have a legible tattoo ear mark in the left ear. If not tattooed the Rabbit Superintendent will make a mark using a permanent marker for identification purposes.
- If you have a rabbit entered in the Rabbit show, you may remove that rabbit for Showmanship use only.
- No sick or diseased animals will be allowed in the fair. Any rabbit rejected because of sickness or
 disease will not be allowed to return for the duration of the fair. Any rabbit showing signs of
 illness or disease during the fair will be quarantined and the owner will be contacted to remove the
 rabbit immediately.

DIVISIONS: Age as of September 1, 2023

- Pee Wee (5-7)
- Juniors (8-10)
- Intermediates (11-13)
- Seniors (14-18)

THE CLAY COUNTY FAIR POULTRY SHOW DIRECTOR AND/OR SHOW SUPERINTENDENT will have the final judgment regarding the interpretation of all rules and regulations. During the creating/typing/printing of these rules, changes, errors, deletions, or omissions may occur, in which case the "Clay County Fair Association" reserves the right to construe its own rules and regulations, and to decide all matters and differences in regards thereto including amendments. The Clay County Fair Association also reserves the right to refuse exhibitors.

AWARDS:

Individual Entries will receive Blue, Red & White Ribbons with Premium money awarded as follows

All premium award money will be forfeited if not collected by the end of the Fair.

The American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) Youth Showmanship Scoresheets will be used.

Instructions for Showmanship can be found at the following link: https://arba.net/showmanship/

Blue (80-100)	Red (60-79)	White (59 & below)	
	1st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Pee Wee	\$7	\$5	\$3
Junior	\$15	\$10	\$5
Intermediate	\$20	\$15	\$10
Senior	\$25	\$20	\$15