

## 2025 Kern County Fair Poultry Show

We are very pleased to announce that we have been approved by the state veterinarians to have a poultry show for our exhibitors of the Kern County Fair.

This show will look very different than a normal year. Please understand that we are putting this show together while incorporating and following the mandates handed down by the state. Below see the specifics on how the show will work:

### **When: Sunday September 7<sup>th</sup>**

- Arrival Time- Vet Check in Gate 40 Lot at 6am-8:30am
- Show in Sales Pavilion at 9:30am

### **Where:**

- The show will be a cage and carry format where all animals will remain in their cages in the sales pavilion except for showing in the sales pavilion.
- There will be no cages provided for animals. YOU MUST BRING YOUR ANIMAL IN A CAGE.
- All exhibitors must maintain space from other exhibitors and not share any supplies unless animals came from the same facility.
- Trailers can park in the grass area surrounding the sales pavilion on the north side as well as in gate 40.

### **How:**

- All vehicles must come and leave through gate 40 and have their tires and rims disinfected. Exhibitors are allowed to leave as soon as they are done showing.
- All birds will be evaluated by a Poultry Health Inspector (PHI) on the day of arrival in your vehicle in Gate 40. Sick birds are not permitted on the premises.
- Foot baths with a disinfectant labeled for "Avian Influenza A Virus" will be at all entrances to the sales pavilion.
- Hand washing/hand sanitizing stations will be placed at all entry and exit points of the sales pavilion.
- The show will be closed to the public so the only individuals present will be the staff and the participants and their families.
- Entries limited to poultry from Kern County.
- **Traceability:** NPIN for the farm of origin will be required for each animal/group.

## **Classes of Poultry Allowed to Show:**

Our show will consist of the following categories of poultry:

- Chickens, bantams, waterfowl, geese, turkeys, guinea, wild game, and pigeons.
- Max of 3 Non- Market Birds Allowed per exhibitor
- Max of 1 market Turkey and 1 market chicken meat pen per exhibitor

## **How to Enter:**

- You will enter as normal on showworks, we will have a show as well as showmanship. All animals that meet the criteria mandated by the state above are eligible for the show.
- The entry deadline in the book is the correct entry deadline for the show.
- Those market turkeys and chicken meat pens that are declared market ready will be eligible for the auction based on placing. No animals will be present at the auction, but exhibitors will stand on the block and sell their animal. The exhibitor and buyer will be responsible for transferring the animal on their terms.
- Showmanship winners will qualify for Master Showmanship, but poultry animals will not be part of the competition.

**Poultry Costume Contest-** will still take place at the time stated in the book- only change is there will be no animals present so the exhibitors are to incorporate a stuffed bird as part of their contest.

**Please refer to the attached approved proposal from the state with the request for the show and specifics on the show.**

**If you have any questions, please contact Dawn at [dstornetta@kerncountyfair.com](mailto:dstornetta@kerncountyfair.com)**