

2026 Lincoln County Fair Poultry Rules

General

1. Exhibitors will follow the General Junior Livestock Rules and Regulations.
2. All poultry must be checked in on Monday, July 13, 2026, before 7 a.m. Poultry will be released on Thursday, July 16, 2026, following the livestock auction. All poultry will need to be removed from the fairgrounds before July 19, 2026, at 12 a.m. Once checked in, poultry may not be removed, except with the consent of the Poultry Barn Chairman. Poultry may only be removed between 12 a.m. and 3p.m. Any poultry removed early without approval from the Poultry Barn Chairman will forfeit the privilege to show at the following year's fair.
3. Poultry exhibitors must attend a minimum of three (3) county poultry project meeting before June 1st. This is in addition to the **MANDATORY** barn meeting. Exhibitors will need to attend one (1) workday before the fair and clean up on Sunday following the fair. **Exhibitors not attending and participating in the workday and or clean up may forfeit the privilege of showing at the following year fair.**
4. All poultry must be free of all external parasites and be free of infection and/or contagious disease. All non-waterfowl poultry shall be subject to a negative blood test for typhoid pullorum (market broilers are exempt from blood test) within ninety (90) days prior to show. Pre-show blood testing is scheduled for June 24, 2026, from 6:30p.m. to 8 p.m.
5. Show Me quality Assurance Certified is required for all exhibitors and will require additional training.
6. Lincoln County Fair poultry show follows the American Poultry Association guidelines for domestic chickens, ducks, geese and turkey. Exhibits will judge in accordance with American Poultry Association "Standard of Perfection" publication issued by the American Poultry Association except for production hens and market broilers.
7. All poultry must be entered in the name of the owner and acquired before May 1st, except for market broilers, which should be acquired before June 1st.
8. Exhibitors will be limited to one (1) entry in each class with a maximum entry not exceeding 12 entries. The same animal cannot be exhibited in more than one (1) class. Any poultry that is not pre-registered will be ineligible to show.
9. Cages will be provided and assigned. Exhibitors will need to provide a cage sign not exceeding 8.5 x11 inches in size. If the number of entries exceeds the number of cages, the

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barn chairman can limit the number of cages per entrant, or some entries may be sent home after the show.

10. Showmanship competition will immediately follow the poultry show. Junior showman age is 8-13 years of age. Senior showman will be age 14 and above. Ages are based on the exhibitor age as of January 1st in the current year. Exhibitors must be entered in a breeding class.
11. For pen classes, all birds must be same breed and age.
12. No poultry may be shown under sixteen (16) weeks of age excluding market broilers.
13. Entry fee for breeding stock show shall be two (2) dollars a class. Premium payouts are five (5) dollars for blue ribbon, three (3) dollars for red and two (2) dollars for white.

Market Broilers

14. Market broilers pen consists of two (2) white feathered, white skin, yellow shank birds of the same breed and age.
15. Market broilers must have a minimum weight of 3 lbs. and a maximum weight of 8 lbs.
16. Market broilers must be six (6) to eight (8) weeks old day of show. Hatch dates are as follows: 5-18-26 to 6-1-26. If age is in question, the poultry barn chairman may ask for proof of age (example: proof of purchase)
17. Only one (1) market broiler will be eligible for auction. Any market broilers not being held for auction will need to be removed from the fairgrounds following the show.

Eggs

18. Eggs cannot be removed from the fairgrounds.
19. Exhibitors must be entered in a breeding or market class.
20. Six (6) eggs of the same color.

Due to possible omissions or mistakes in the printing of the rules, the committee reserves the right to final interpretations of the rules, and any final decision will be made by the poultry barn chairman and the livestock superintendent concerning the poultry show.