

# Rabbits

4-H and FFA

Department 207

## Rabbits

Superintendent: Pru Beyer

Online Entries at [www.PalouseEmpireFair.com](http://www.PalouseEmpireFair.com)

Select: Exhibitors, >> Select: Animal Entries

Exhibitors are responsible to read and comply with:

- Palouse Empire Fair General Rules & Regulations.
- 4-H & FFA Rules and Regulations.
- Livestock Health Regulations
- IAFE Show Ring Code of Ethics
- Department Rules and Regulations (listed below).
- Rules and Regulations posted in Barn.

General Rules and Regulations

- Rabbit entries are to be received by the Fair Office no later than August 1<sup>st</sup>.
- All exhibits will be placed by 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, and are not to be taken out until after 4:01 p.m. Sunday.
- Superintendents will not be responsible for rabbits that remain after 6:00 p.m. Sunday.
- All entries shall be entered by breed.
- Rabbits must be free of parasites and all toenails must be clipped prior to entry.
- All rabbits are subject to veterinary inspection.
- Superintendents reserve the right to limit entries per exhibitor.
- Owners shall supply water bottles.
- Superintendents will feed rabbits. Feed is provided by Four Star Supply Inc.

Division A – FFA Fitting and Showing

Division B - 4-H Fitting and Showing

Points Awarded: Blue 60, Red 40, White 30

Rules:

- All 4-H and FFA exhibitors are expected to compete in Fitting and Showing.
- The purpose of showmanship is to help young people become better acquainted with proper handling and rabbit knowledge.

Class:

1. 4-H Cloverbud 5-7 years
2. 4-H Junior 8-10 years
3. 4-H Intermediate 11 – 13 years
4. 4-H Senior 14 - < 19 years
1. FFA Novice: Freshman & Sophomore
2. FFA Advanced: Junior & Senior

Division C – FFA Purebred Rabbits/Breeding Stock

Division D – 4-H Purebred Rabbits/Breeding Stock

Points Awarded: Blue 20, Red 10, White, 5

Rules:

- Champion rabbits are judged the Best of Breed, and Reserve Champions are Best Opposite Sex of Breed from 4-H and FFA entries separately.
- Champion rabbits compete for 4-H Grand and Reserve Grand Champion and for FFA Grand and Reserve Grand Champion rosettes separately.

Class:

1. Buck, six months and over
2. Buck, under six months
3. Doe, six months and over
4. Doe, under six months
5. Doe and litter—1 adult and 2 kits, 4 weeks or older

Division E – FFA Crossbred Rabbits

Division F – 4-H Crossbred Rabbits

Points Awarded: Blue 20, Red 10, White 5

Rules:

- This Division is for rabbits that are known to be crossbred.
- Crossbred rabbits will be rewarded 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place rosettes for 4-H & FFA separately based on how closely they resemble a specific breed in their cross or the beginnings of a new breed.
- All crossbred rabbits are not eligible to compete for 4-H or FFA Grand Champion.

Class:

1. Buck, six months and over
2. Buck, under six months
3. Doe, six months and over
4. Doe, under six months
5. Doe and litter—1 adult and 2 kits, 4 weeks or older

Division G – FFA Pet Rabbits

Division H – 4-H Pet Rabbits

Points Awarded: Blue 20, Red 10, White 5

Rules:

- This division is for rabbits that are known to be crossbred or healthy purebred rabbits that are known to have a characteristic that would make them ineligible to compete in a breed show (ex., exceeds required weight for a breed, improper markings, or neutered).

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- All crossbred and pet class rabbits are judged based on grooming, temperament, and overall condition/health.
- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place rosettes will be awarded from Crossbred/pet class entries, 4-H and FFA separately. Crossbred/pet class rabbits are not eligible to compete for 4-H or FFA Grand Champion.

### Class:

1. Buck, six months and over
2. Buck, under six months
3. Doe, six months and over
4. Doe, under six months
5. Doe and litter—1 adult and 2 kits, 4 weeks or older

### Division I – FFA Educational Displays

### Division J – 4-H Educational Displays

Points Awarded: (Listed under each Class)

### Class

1. Individual Poster or Display  
Points Awarded: Blue 25, Red 20, White 15
2. Group Barn Display  
Points Awarded: Blue 35, Red 25, White 15

### Division K – Costume Class

Points Awarded: 1<sup>st</sup> 20, 2<sup>nd</sup> 10, and 3<sup>rd</sup> 5

### Rules:

- All exhibitors will compete for overall 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place rosettes for a costume involving themselves and their rabbit or cavy.

### Division L – FFA Judging

### Division M – 4-H Judging

Points Awarded: Blue 20, Red 10, White 5

### Rules:

- Exhibitors are eligible to compete in judging.
- A breed judging class will be made up of four rabbits. Each participant will handle and examine the rabbits and place them according to quality and breed standards.
- All participants will receive a ribbon.

### Special Contests and Awards

#### Small Animal Round Robin

Awarded to Best Overall Showman for  
Awards: (Paid in Premium Check)  
Rabbit, Cavy, and Poultry  
1<sup>st</sup> \$50 & 2<sup>nd</sup> \$25

#### Whitman County Farm Bureau 4-H and FFA Fitting and showing Award

Awards: (Paid in Premium Check)  
Overall Grand Champion \$10  
Overall Reserve Grand Champion \$5

#### Fitting and Showing,

Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons will be awarded in each class for Fitting and Showing

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion rosettes will be awarded from the Champion exhibitors within 4-H and FFA separately.

#### Purebred Rabbits/Breeding Stock

Champion and Reserve Champion purebred animals will compete for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion rosettes within 4-H and FFA separately.

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion winners are encouraged to participate in the Parade of Champions on Sunday.

