

4-H RABBIT

Superintendent: Al Esgar (CH)

Committee: Dave & Adam Bally, Paul Shaddick, Steve Brownlee, Deb White

1. All rules (pages 6-11) apply.
2. A rabbit can only be shown in one class.
3. Only rabbits shown in a class can be brought to the fair. Un-weaned litters cannot be entered or caged at the fair.
4. Exhibitors must be present during judging. If a conflict arises, contact the superintendent.
5. It is recommended that all rabbits over 3 months of age have an identification tattoo in the left ear.
6. During the judging, parents will stay in the spectator's area. If exhibitors need assistance, they can ask other 4-H members or the superintendent. This is essential to provide the exhibitor with the opportunity to exhibit not only their animals, but also to exhibit their knowledge and ability to prepare their project for the show. The responsibilities of getting animals into their proper pens and caring for them during the fair should be accomplished with a minimum of parental help. The superintendent and each member of the committee will be happy to answer any questions or assist the exhibitor, parents, and leaders in any way possible.
7. The Superintendent has the right to merge classes with minimal entries.

Ownership Date: All rabbits must be owned and cared for by the exhibitor by May 15 of current year.

Pedigree Commercial – Includes all breeds having an ideal min. senior weight of 9 lbs. and meet breed standards.

Grade Commercial – Rabbits that do not meet breed standard and will be judged as meat producing rabbits.

Pedigree Fancy – Includes all breeds having an ideal weight under 9 lbs. and will be judged on breed standards.

Pedigree Commercial Division Classes:	Per-Junior Under 3 Months	Junior 3—6 months	Intermediate 6—8 months	Senior Over 8 months
California Buck	210	211	212	213
California Doe	220	221	222	223
All Other Breeds Pedigree Comm. Buck	230	231	232	233
All Other Breeds Pedigree Comm. Doe	240	241	242	243

Pedigree Fancy Division Classes:	Junior 3—6 months	Senior Over 6 months
Minilop Buck	310	311
Minilop Doe	320	321
Mini Rex Buck	330	331
Mini Rex Doe	340	341
All Other Breeds Fancy Buck	350	351
All Other Breeds Fancy Doe	360	361

Grade Commercial Division Classes:	Pre Junior Under 3 months	Junior 3—6 months	Intermediate 6—8 months	Senior Over 8 months
Buck	410	411	412	413
Doe	420	421	422	423

Rabbits that do not meet breed standards, will be judged as meat producing rabbits.

Market Pen of 3 Class – Each rabbit must weigh between 3 and 5 pounds.

Pet Rabbit Class – Rabbits entered as pets will be judged partially on pet qualities and therefore, will not be eligible to compete in championship classes.

Rabbit Premiere Class – Top 3 carcasses will be sold at auction on Friday, July 24 if they have received a blue ribbon.

1. Premiere rabbits should be checked in by Wed. evening, July 22, at 10:00 p.m. in the rabbit barn.
2. Each exhibitor may enter only one animal in this class. It can be a buck or a doe.
3. Rabbits must weigh between 3 and 5 pounds live.
4. Do not reserve pens for premiere animals on your entry form.
5. Owners are responsible for deposition of their carcass, either by taking it home, or selling it themselves.

Showmanship & Record Keeping Class - Junior Division– All entries must check in with superintendent when they check in rabbit. This class is judged on completed record form, knowledge of project, and showmanship techniques. Open to youth 8 - 13 as of September 1, 2008. The winner of the junior division of showmanship will move to senior division regardless of age and will be ineligible to compete in this class in the future.

Showmanship & Record Keeping Class - Senior Division– All entries must check in with superintendent when they check in rabbit. This class is judged on completed record form, knowledge of project, and showmanship techniques. Open to youth 14 and older as of September 1, 2008. Senior winners will become part of rabbit committee and will be ineligible to compete in this class in the future.

Animal Science Class – Written report or display.

This class is for 4-Hers who may or may not have an animal but are enrolled in the rabbit project. See General Projects Department for requirements.

Ribbons will be presented to:

Champion Rabbit Premiere
Grand Champion & Best of Opposite Sex Pedigree Commercial Rabbit
Grand Champion & Best of Opposite Sex Pedigree Fancy Rabbit
Grand Champion & Best of Opposite Sex Grade Rabbit
Champion & Reserve Market Pen of 3
Best of Show & Best Opposite Sex Overall

Trophies will be presented to:

Champion Rabbit Premiere
Champion Market Pen of 3
Grand Champion Grade Rabbit
Grand Champion Pedigree Commercial Rabbit
Grand Champion Pedigree Fancy Rabbit
Best of Show