



Superintendent: Rita Lipke
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Department - 4-H Rabbits

Entries: **Online Only** - <http://adco.fairentry.com>

Entry Deadline: **Friday, June 30, 2017**

Entry Fee: **\$2.00 Per Entry**

Check In: **Tuesday, August 1, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Small Animal Tent**

Judging: **Wednesday, August 2, at 9:30 a.m.**

Interview judging will occur after check in

Open Mini's: **See Dept. Open Minis for more information**

Departure: **3:00 p.m. Sunday, August 6, 2017**

**Premium Scale:
Based on Number of Entries**

RULES: (also see Livestock, Equine & Small Animal Rules)

Rabbit Project members who intend to exhibit their animal(s) at the Adams County Fair must complete the following to remain eligible for fair entry and exhibition:

1. Enroll in the Rabbit Project by the enrollment deadline .
2. Complete the Meat Quality Assurance Training annually.
3. Complete and file an Animal Care and Housing Form on 4HOnline by deadline.
4. ID all rabbits in 4HOnline by May 1 deadline. (**Meat doe ID due April 1)
5. Attend Animal Record Book Interviews and present an up-to-date E-Record Book.
6. Enter Fair classes online by deadline.
7. Complete and turn in the Livestock Project E-Record with any necessary supplements by the deadline.

Additional Fair-related rules are listed below as well as under each Division/Class:

1. Name of the breed, variety (color), class, and sex must be listed in Fair Entry (especially when in "Other" breed category.)
2. Each exhibitor may show up to four rabbits per class (except litter, single fryer and meat pens which can have three in each.)
3. For the litter class, both the doe and the litter must have a permanent tattoo (litter 5-9 weeks old only). No mixed breeds. Contestant must complete production records to compete in this class.
4. Pet Class – May only show in pet class if not showing in any other class. May only show one (1) rabbit in pet class.
5. An exhibitor of mixed breeds may **ONLY EXHIBIT MIXED BREED CLASS DURING FIRST YEAR OF SHOWING IN ADAMS COUNTY FAIR**. Mixed breeds may be exhibited only in classes listed as mixed breeds.
6. All project animals, with the exception of the meat pen doe, must be owned and have ID in 4HOnline by May 1 of current year. The meat pen doe must be owned and have ID in 4HOnline by April 1 of current year.
7. 4-H Rabbit Exhibitors must complete a Record Book Interview and turn in completed books following the County Fair (by the deadline set by the Extension Office). See Livestock, Horse and Small Animal Rules for more information. Exhibitors must complete a record book interview and have an up-to-date book in order to show!
8. Only one handwritten pedigree will be included with record book.
9. All rabbits must have a permanent legible earmark (tattoo) in left ear before check-in. Rabbits with any other marks will not be accepted or judged.
10. Superintendent or Clerk must check rabbits before being caged.
11. Substitutions will be allowed at Superintendent's discretion.
12. Any animal showing symptoms of disease or parasites of any kind will not be allowed in the showroom.
13. Everyone showing rabbits must go to the interview judging. Interview will follow check-in of rabbits.
14. All rabbits being judged in each class must be brought to judging table by exhibitor or a designated representative and exhibited to the judge.
15. You may have a stand-in to exhibit your rabbit **ONLY** if you are involved in another 4-H function at the time of rabbit judging.
16. No one will be allowed behind the judging table except judge, clerk, and helpers.
17. Rabbit judge will do placement of rabbits.
18. Comment cards will be given on all rabbits.
19. Premiums will be awarded through 5th place.
20. Best of Breed and Best Opposite Sex awards will be awarded overall, if five or more rabbits are shown in that breed.
21. Mixed breed must have at least three rabbits shown to be eligible for awards.



Rules (Cont.):

22. If there are four or more entries in a breed not listed and three or more members own them, a new class may be added the next year.
23. If animals are neglected, abused, mishandled, not fed or pens not cleaned the Superintendent will ask the member to remove their animal from the grounds.
24. All personal items must be labeled with 4-H members names
25. Showmanship points will be counted on rabbit exhibited to the judge during the showmanship class
26. In order to receive a herdsmanship score, all members are required to check-in with the Adult Barn Supervisor on duty to verify completion.
27. ALL sales and pedigrees are the responsibility of the 4-H member.
28. No rabbits may be sold under six weeks of age.
29. Disqualified, deformed, or mixed breed rabbits may be sold at the discretion of the Superintendent.
30. Contact information is the responsibility of the seller. Superintendent, volunteers, and the Adams County Fair are not responsible for sales or issues arising from sale of the rabbits.
31. Sales packet must be picked up at interview judging.
32. ALL sale animal cages must have orange sales tag attached. A deposit of 50 cents will be charged for sales tags. The deposit will be refunded at checkout when tags are returned.
33. Seller is responsible for completing sales receipt. All buyers must receive a sale receipt. Receipts provided by Rabbit Superintendent.
34. NO sold animal shall leave the barn without a sales receipt.
35. Rabbits may not be removed from the barn without sales receipt and in proper container.
36. Rabbits can be sold only after the judging and only from the Small Animal Tent. They can be released immediately after they are sold and paid for.

RECORD BOOKS
 (The Livestock e-Record is Required)
 No Entry Fee

1. Members must complete and turn in (by deadline) a record book for each species in which they exhibit at Fair. If a record book is not completed for each species exhibited, the member will forfeit premiums and be ineligible to exhibit that species at the next year's Fair.
2. Rabbit members complete Livestock E-Record and any necessary supplements.

DIVISION: RECORD BOOKS

CLASS:

1. Junior Rabbit Record Book – 8-10 years
2. Intermediate Rabbit Record Book – 11-13 years
3. Senior Rabbit Record Book – 14 years and over

SHOWMANSHIP
\$2.00 Per Entry

DIVISION: SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS:

1. Junior – 8-10 years
2. Intermediate – 11-13 years
3. Senior – 14 years and over

AWARDS:

- Champion - Banner Award
- Reserve Champion - Banner Award



RABBIT BREED CLASSES

\$2.00 Per Entry

DIVISION: AMERICAN FUZZY LOP
DIVISION: BRITTANIA PETITE
DIVISION: DUTCH
DIVISION: FLEMISH GIANT
DIVISION: FRENCH LOP, SOLID
DIVISION: HAVANA
DIVISION: HOLLAND LOP, SOLID
DIVISION: MINI LOP, SOLID
DIVISION: MINI SATIN
DIVISION: NETHERLAND DWARF, SHADED
DIVISION: NETHERLAND DWARF, TAN

DIVISION: AMERICAN SABLE
DIVISION: CALIFORNIAN
DIVISION: DWARF HOTOT
DIVISION: FLORIDA WHITE
DIVISION: GIANT CHINCHILLA
DIVISION: HIMALAYAN
DIVISION: JERSEY WOOLY
DIVISION: MINI REX, BROKEN
DIVISION: NETHERLAND DWARF, SELF
DIVISION: NETHERLAND DWARF, AGOUTI
DIVISION: NETHERLAND DWARF, AOV (OTHER)

DIVISION: ANGORA
DIVISION: CHECKERED GIANT
DIVISION: ENGLISH SPOT
DIVISION: FRENCH LOP, BROKEN
DIVISION: HARLEQUIN
DIVISION: HOLLAND LOP, BROKEN
DIVISION: MINI LOP, BROKEN
DIVISION: MINI REX, SOLID

DIVISION: NEW ZEALAND
DIVISION: POLISH
DIVISION: SATIN, BROKEN
DIVISION: SILVER MARTIN
DIVISION: TAN
DIVISION: MIXED BREEDS
DIVISION: NON SHOWABLE RABBIT (RABBIT HOPPING RABBIT)

DIVISION: PALOMINO
DIVISION: REX, BROKEN
DIVISION: SATIN, SOLID
DIVISION: OTHER BREEDS
DIVISION: LIONHEAD
DIVISION: PET CLASS

DIVISION: REX, SOLID
DIVISION: SILVER FOX
DIVISION: SILVER
DIVISION: VELVETEEN LOP

CLASS:

- 1. Senior Buck
- 2. 6-8 Buck
- 3. Junior Buck
- 4. Senior Doe
- 5. 6-8 Doe
- 6. Junior Doe

AWARDS:

Best of Breed (Champion)	Award
Best Opposite Sex (Res. Champion)	Award
Mixed Breed Best of Class-	Rosette
Mixed Breed Best Opposite	Ribbon
Best of Show	Award

RABBIT EXHIBITION PRODUCTION CLASSES

\$2.00 Per Entry

DIVISION: RABBIT EXHIBITION PRODUCTION

CLASS:

- 1. Doe and Litter
- 2. Exhibition Meat Pen
- 3. Exhibition Single Fryer

AWARDS:

- Champion Litter Pen - Award
- Reserve Champion Litter Pen- Rosette
- Champion Meat Pen - Award
- Reserve Champion Meat Pen- Rosette
- Champion Single Fryer - Rosette
- Reserve Champion single Fryer - Rosette



RABBIT MEAT PEN CLASS

All Meat Pen Entries will be weighed just prior to show.

1. Meat pen will consist of three rabbits of same breed and variety, weighing not less than 3 1/2lbs. - more than 5 1/2 pounds each or over ten weeks (According to ARBA Pg. 36-39). No mixed breeds.
2. All market rabbits will be weighed and identified once they have passed the veterinary inspection at the time of arrival. Rabbits not meeting the requirements stated will be excused from the fairgrounds on Tuesday evening, or must remain on grounds until Sunday at 6:00 p.m.
3. Exhibitors must own the doe for a minimum of 115 days prior to the fair. Meat pen doe must be owned and have ID in 4HOnline by April 1st of current year. **All meat pen rabbits must be identified at the July Rabbit Tattoo Date** (to be sent out via the weekly e-minder). All rabbits will be identified as they check-in to the County Fair. Any rabbits that do not have the proper identification will be excused from the grounds.
4. Animals entered in this class MAY NOT be shown in breeding classes.
5. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion meat pens must be auctioned at the Jr. Livestock Sale in accordance with Market Sale Rules (Rule #2.) Contestant must complete production records to compete in this class.
6. **Each exhibitor will be given a sale declaration card. This card designates which animal they would like to send to the Jr. Livestock Sale. This card must be submitted to the Extension office no later than 6:00 PM the day before the Sale (Friday). Late submissions will not be accepted.**
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DIVISION: RABBIT MEAT PEN

CLASS:

1. Meat Pen Class
2. Single Fryer

AWARDS:

Grand Champion Meat Pen - Award

Reserve Grand Champion Meat Pen- Rosette

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Meat Pens will be sold at Livestock Market Animal Sale)

Champion Single Fryer - Rosette

Reserve Champion single Fryer - Rosette

DRESS A BUNNY

Wednesday, August 3, 2017 9:30 AM

\$2.00

DIVISION: DRESS A BUNNY

CLASS:

1. Junior - 8-10 years of age and under
2. Intermediate - 11-13 years of age and under
3. Senior - 14 years and over



PREMIER RABBIT EXHIBITOR CONTEST
NO ENTRY FEE

DIVISION: PREMIER RABBIT EXHIBITOR

CLASS: 1 - All Exhibitors

Rules:

1. The purpose of this contest is to recognize exhibitors that excel in the areas of care, knowledge, and presentation of their projects.
2. The contest will have the following divisions: Beef, Goat, Sheep, Swine, Poultry and Rabbits.
3. Exhibitors may have breeding or market projects or both. All ages will compete together within each species area. Exhibitors are allowed to enter the Premier Exhibitor Contest in as many species as they are enrolled in. One winner per species will be awarded.
4. Exhibitors must pre-enter this contest along with their regular fair entries. Please see department for further entry information.
5. All entrants will identify themselves by placing a Premier Exhibitor ID on your stalls/cages.
6. The Contest will be judged on the following Criteria:
 - a. Herdsmanship - 30 points possible
 1. There are five major judging criteria that you will be judged on for herdsmanhip. Identification of animals (stall cards), care and maintenance of animals while at fair (do they always have water?), stall cleanliness, stall decorations, and educational information (poster or other item). You must have your Premier Exhibitor ID on your stall sign to be judged and earn points for these criteria.
 - b. Knowledge Test – 30 points possible
 2. Exhibitors will be required to take a 30 question, multiple choice test, designed to evaluate knowledge of their project in areas such as: health, feeding, breeding, selection, handling, carcass, and industry related issues. All questions will be taken from the recognized 4-H project manuals.
All entrants must take their specific species knowledge test at the time specified. Tests will be given at Record Book Interviews in July on dates announced by Extension Office. This is the ONLY opportunity for participants to complete this test.
 - c. Showmanship – 30 points possible
 1. Points given for showmanship placing will be broken down according to the following point chart.
 - d. Class Placing – 10 points possible
 1. Each exhibitor will receive points for his/her highest placing animal. Only one animal per exhibitor (market or breeding) will be used for class placing points. Points will be broken down according to the following point chart.
 - e. Number of Animals Exhibited - 6 points possible
 1. Exhibitors will receive one point for each market animal they exhibit (up to 3 points). Exhibitors will receive one point for each breeding animal they exhibit (up to 3 points)
 - f. Record Book – 10 points possible
 1. Points will be awarded on the following sliding scale found in the following chart:
 - g. Bonus Points – 5 points possible
 1. Exhibitors will receive 5 bonus points for exhibiting animals in both the market class and producer class division.
 - h. Tie Breaker
 1. Exhibitors will fill out a short essay answer at the end of their test. This essay will be used in the event of a tie to determine a winner.
7. Points will be awarded for placing within each class based on the exhibitor's actual placing within the class regardless if all exhibitors in the class are participating in the Premier Exhibitor class.



PREMIER RABBIT EXHIBITOR CONTINUED:

AWARD:

\$125 Cash Award

Winners will be announced at the October Achievement Banquet.

Knowledge Test		Showmanship		Carcass Class		Class Placing		Record Book	
Score	Points	Score	Points	Score	Points	Score	Points	Score	Points
30	30	1st	30	1st	20	1st	10	Blue	10
29	29	2nd	28	2nd	19	2nd	9	Red	8
28	28	3rd	26	3rd	18	3rd	8	White	6
27	27	4th	24	4th	17	4th	7		
26	26	5th	22	5th	16	5th	6		
25	25	6th	20	6th	15	6th	5		
24	24	7th	18	7th	14	7th	4		
23	23	8th	16	8th	13	8th	3		
22	22	All other	12	9th	12	All other	1		
21	21			10th	11				
20	20			11th	10				
19	19			12th	9				
18	18			13th	8				
17	17			14th	7				
16	16			15th	6				
≤15	12			≤16th	5				

RABBIT ROYALTY
No Entry Fee

RULES:

1. Rabbit Royalty is open to 4-H'ers with rabbit projects.
2. Royalty contestants compete in breed ID, rabbit judging, showmanship, and Premier Exhibitor score; prizes will be awarded.
3. All winners must attend two rabbit judging meetings and attend two rabbit judging meets.
4. Royalty winners that do not meet their obligations will not be royalty at fair.

DIVISION: RABBIT ROYALTY

CLASS:

1. **Junior**
2. **Intermediate**
3. **Senior**

2016 Rabbit Royalty:

Queen - Caley Kreutzer **King** - Jordan Sager
Duke - Dylan Christensen **Duchess** - Morgan Barba **Princess** - Elizabeth Hightower



Superintendents: Jon and Sarah Barba

4-H RABBIT Hopping and Agility

Entry Fee: \$2.00/Entry

CHECK IN: Monday, July 17th 5:30pm

JUDGING: Monday, July 17th 6:00pm

EXHIBITION EVENT: To be run simultaneously.

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion determined during Exhibition

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2. Complete the Meat Quality Assurance training annually.
3. Complete and file an Animal Care and Housing Form on 4HOnline by deadline.
4. ID all rabbits in 4HOnline by May 1 deadline (must own project animals at least 90 days prior to Fair)
5. Attend Animal Record Book Interviews and present an up-to-date E-Record Book.
6. Enter Fair classes online by deadline.
7. Complete and turn in the State Livestock E-Record with supplement Rabbit Hopping pages by the deadline.
8. All Rabbit Hopping project members and their rabbits must attend a minimum of three (3) hopping training program practices prior to Fair entry deadline.
9. Rabbit Hopping project rabbits must be a minimum of four (4) months old to begin training.

Additional Fair-related rules are listed below as well as under each Division/Class:

The safety of rabbits and 4-H members is of paramount importance. To ensure this, the following rules will be enforced.

1. All rabbits will be treated safely and responsibly at all times. No harmful handling of rabbit will be tolerated in or outside of the competition. The rabbit must hop through the course by its own free will. It may not be steered by the hand. Use of the foot is not allowed. The rabbit should not be pulled or lifted in the lead, neither between nor over the jumps. The lead must not be used as a whip. Do not cause stress to the rabbit by stomping or making loud noises or loud verbal comments when going through the course. Doing any of these will result in penalty, including disqualification from this event.
2. Rabbits will not be lifted by the back skin, scruff of the neck, or ears. Do not handle the rabbit in any other way that will cause harm to the rabbit upon penalty, including disqualification, of this event.
3. All competitors and their rabbits must attend a minimum of 3 hopping training program practices. Training programs must be conducted by a 4-H Rabbit Leader knowledgeable about Rabbit Hopping.
4. Rabbits must be a minimum of 4 months old to begin training; with larger breeds a minimum of 6 months old. Rabbits competing in Long Jump and High Jump events must be a minimum of 9 months old.
5. Rabbits must be in "jumping condition" to be eligible to participate. Jumping Condition is defined as: free from signs of illness, sore muscles, sore hocks, long toenails, stress, pregnancy/nursing, breathing difficulties and/or any condition that may cause the rabbit or other rabbits in the area harm.
6. All 4-H members are required to have their rabbit "health checked" before participating in a hopping event and all Training program practices.
7. A Judge or Superintendent will have the authority to stop the participation of any rabbit that is in question of physical soundness.
8. Rabbits that show signs of aggression towards humans or other rabbits will not be permitted to participate.
9. A signed and up-to-date project eRecord must be submitted for the 4-H Rabbit. The eRecord Rabbit Hopping & Agility Supplement should include: name and description of rabbit, date and hours spent training, exhibit rabbit photo, photo(s) of practice session, notes of training progress of individual rabbit(s).
10. A rabbit will not be allowed to advance to the next level of competition without recorded evidence (completion certificate signed by Rabbit Hopping & Agility 4-H Leader) of completing the previous level.
11. Attire for the 4-H member must include: closed toe shoes, long or short sleeves (no sleeveless or tank tops allowed), long pants.
12. All jumps must be the type that allows the jump bars to fall free from either side of the jump.
13. Rabbits must be on a leash and harness at all times while in the area of competition. A 6 foot leash and proper fitting "H" style harness is required for all Training Program practices and competitions. No elastic leashes or breakaway harness/leash will be allowed. Rabbits must be supervised at all times.



RABBIT HOPPING AND AGILITY CON'T

14. Rabbit handlers may NOT go over the jumps with their rabbits prior to competition. Rabbits will be allowed to practice jumps in the practice area only.
15. Handlers may softly guide with an open hand and/or gently direct their rabbit with the leash while running the course. Rabbits will NOT be pulled or forced to jump at any time upon penalty of disqualification. Touching the rabbit with your feet may result in a disqualification. Lifting your rabbit off the ground or over a jump bar by the leash will result in a disqualification.
16. Judge or Superintendent may penalize any handler receiving outside assistance. Penalty may be disqualification of the handler and the person helping (if a participant).
17. A rabbit that is unable to complete a course for any reason (including leaving the ring, ceasing to work for a significant period of time as defined by the judge, being out of control, etc.) will receive a participant ribbon.
18. Handlers may use voice commands, hand signals or both. Handlers are encouraged to gently talk or cheer their rabbits through the course. There is no penalty for multiple commands or verbal encouragement, but all must be in the spirit of good sportsmanship and no louder than the normal talking voice.
19. Good sportsmanship will be observed at all events upon penalty of elimination from all Rabbit Hopping & Agility events and receiving no ribbons/awards/premiums.
20. Rabbits may be either pedigree or mixed breed and any size so long as the minimum age is obtained. Rabbits may be spayed or neutered.
21. A member may show a maximum of 4 rabbits in Rabbit Hopping & Agility with only 1 rabbit per class. (The Superintendent may waive the 1 rabbit/class requirement at their discretion.)
22. The Rules and Regulations in the 4-H Rabbit Olympic Manual will be observed and applicable.
23. Altering a rabbit to improve its performance is NOT allowed. Altering includes, but is not limited to: tying the ears back, scenting the nose, or shaving an animal.
24. All Rabbit Hoping and Agility Event participants are a team consisting of a "handler" and "rabbit".
25. No dogs or other animals will be allowed in the competition and warm-up areas at any time. Only Judges, Superintendents and teams are allowed in the competition areas.
26. Any or all of these courses may be held, cancelled or combined based on the number of participants or other considerations at the discretion of the Judges and/or Superintendents.

EVENTS:

DIVISION: STRAIGHT JUMP

CLASS:

1. Beginner
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced

AWARDS:

Champion
Reserve Champion
Placement 3 through 5 – Ribbon

DIVISION: TIMED COURSE

CLASS:

1. Beginner
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced

AWARDS:

Champion
Reserve Champion
Placement 3 through 5 – Ribbon

DIVISION: HIGH JUMP

CLASS:

1. Beginner
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced

AWARDS:

Champion
Reserve Champion
Placement 3 through 5 – Ribbon

DIVISION: AGILITY

CLASS:

1. Beginner



4-H RABBIT PHOTOGRAPHY DISPLAY

Monday, July 31st, 2017

Turn in between 8:30 and 10:00 A.M. Al Lesser Building

RULES:

Bring your photograph(s) on, Monday August 1st to the Al Lesser Building between 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. Photographs can be either 3" x 5" or 5" x 7" color or black and white. Photographs must be placed in a standing picture frame for display at the fair. Limit one photograph per rabbit entry. Name, age, and club name should be displayed on the back right bottom corner of each photograph.

It is encouraged that Rabbit Photos display one of the following things:

- Animal Health / Nutrition
- Good Husbandry / Grooming
- Training / Showing
- Companion Animal Service / Citizenship
- Rabbit Fun / Other

DIVISION: PHOTO DISPLAY

CLASS

1. Cloverbud (ages 5-7) *No Entry Fee
2. Junior (ages 8-10)
3. Intermediate (ages 11-13)
4. Senior (ages 14-18)

4 -H RABBIT DISPLAY BOARD

Monday, July 31st, 2017

Turn in between 8:30 and 10:00 A.M. Al Lesser Building

DIVISION: POSTER DISPLAY

CLASS:

1. Cloverbud (ages 5-7) *No Entry Fee
2. Junior (ages 8-10)
3. Intermediate (ages 11-13)
4. Senior (ages 14-18)

RULES:

On any subject pertaining to rabbits.
Standard presentation display board (4x3).
Name, age, and club needs to be on the front bottom right corner of poster
Display boards will be displayed in the Al Lesser Building