

DEPARTMENT 8 POULTRY

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Entries must be postmarked or submitted to the 4-H Office by July 1.

Pullorum – Typhoid testing will be done prior to fair. This test will give you a certificate that is good for 90 days indicating that your birds tested negative for Pullorum – Typhoid. If you hatch your own poultry OR you need a certificate that is good for more than 90 days, you will need to make an appointment with NYS Agriculture and Markets staff to have your flock tested prior to Fair.

Judging will begin 9:00 am, Wednesday

Rules and Regulations:

- Quarantine for at least 1 week before Fair. Dust for lice and prepare bird for proper showmanship.
- **Exhibitors may enter no more than one (1) bird for each breed per class.**
- Entries must include class, breed, and variety (e.g., 1, American, Rhode Island Red, single comb).
- Cages will be provided. Exhibitors are responsible for care and food.
- Birds will be judged by the American Standard of Perfection or the health, vigor, and characteristics of production birds.
- No birds will be selected for State Fair. All birds should be quarantined for two weeks before returning to the home flock.
- All poultry except for waterfowl and pigeons must present proof of either having originated from US Pullorum clean flocks or have a negative Pullorum-Typhoid test within 90 days of the fair.
- **EXHIBITORS NOT MAINTAINING HIGH STANDARDS OF CONDUCT AND CLEANLINESS MAY BE ASKED TO REMOVE THEIR BIRDS FROM THE BUILDING, FORFEITING PREMIUMS.**

SECTION A POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

Participants judged on their knowledge and skills in area of poultry science.

Class Number

1. Senior – 14 to 19 years old.
2. Junior – 8 to 13 years old.
3. Novice – First time exhibitor, 8 years and up.

**SECTION B
HEN**

4. Standard Bred – Bantam
5. Standard Bred – Large
6. Egg Production
7. Meat Production - No Bantam

**SECTION C
COCK**

8. Standard Bred – Bantam
9. Standard Bred – Large
10. Meat Production- No Bantam

**SECTION D
COCKEREL**

11. Standard Bred – Bantam
12. Standard Bred – Large
13. Meat Production- No Bantam

**SECTION E
PULLET**

14. Standard Bred – Bantam
15. Standard Bred – Large
16. Egg Production
17. Meat Production

**SECTION F
PAIR**

Entry to consist of two birds of the same variety, breed, age, one male and one female.

Awards: E – 8, G – 4, W – 1

18. Young Pair – Bantam
19. Old Pair – Bantam
20. Young Pair – Standard
21. Old Pair - Standard

**SECTION G
MARKET AUCTION**

Animals in the below classes receiving a blue or red ribbon are **to be sold** at the Market Animal Auction on Saturday and are subject to the Market Animal Auction Rules.

22. Market Poultry Pen of 2 – Each bird is to be more than four pounds. At the fair they will be classified as broilers or fryers.
23. Market Turkeys – One hen or tom. It is suggested that hens should weigh at least 13 lbs and toms should weigh at least 20 lbs.
24. Market Ducks Pen of 2 - Ducks must weigh at least 5 lbs; no maximum weight.

SECTION H
TRIO

Entry to consist of three birds of the same variety, breed and age (two hens, one cock).

Awards: E – 12, G – 6, W – 2

25. Young Trio – Bantam
26. Old Trio – Bantam
27. Young Trio – Standard
28. Old Trio – Standard

**SECTION I
PEN**

Entry to consist of 4 birds of the same variety, breed, and age. Project record required. Poultry Project records may be obtained from the 4-H Office. Cage must consist of at least one hen and one cock, total of 4 birds.

29. Pen of Four – Bantam
30. Pen of Four – Standard

**SECTION J
EGGS**

Judged on uniform size and color.

31. One dozen

**SECTION K
OTHER FOWL**

Class includes Duck, Pheasant, Guinea Fowl, Pigeon, and Turkey. Entry must specify type (i.e., Rouen Duck, Emden Goose, etc.).

32. Old male
33. Old female
34. Young male
35. Young female

**SECTION L
KNOWLEDGE CLASS**

Class held at 10:00 am, Thursday

36. Poultry Knowledge Test Novice
37. Poultry Knowledge Test Junior
38. Poultry Knowledge Test Senior

Additional opportunities to demonstrate knowledge exist in other divisions of the fair:

- Public Presentation relating to Poultry Science – See Department 24, Section A, Class 1
- Posters – See Department 22, Section C, Class 11
- Three Dimensional Exhibits – See Department 22, Section D, Class 14

**SECTION M
JUST FOR FUN**

39. Rooster Crowing Contest – to be held at **7:00 pm on Wednesday** (pre-entry required)

**SECTION N
POULTRY HERDSMANSHIP**

40. Herdsmanship: See herdsman description in animal and market general info.

SECTION O
CLOVERBUDS

Awards: Participation ribbon only.

If they so wish, Cloverbuds may bring only one animal to Fair, but this is not a requirement to enter this class. However, please note, bringing only one animal to fair includes all animal areas so a Cloverbud cannot bring a large animal and a small animal.

41. Enrolled Cloverbuds (5 – 7 years old) will be permitted to bring one poultry exhibit. Please complete entry form with a “c” after the class number, indicating the exhibit is a Cloverbud exhibit.