



# Junior Fair Poultry

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## **POULTRY CHECK-IN**

Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup> - 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Poultry Barn)

## **MARKET BIRD WEIGH-IN**

Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup> - 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (NWO Arena) - NO EXCEPTIONS

## **MARKET/BREED SHOW**

- Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> -12:00 p.m.- Non- Flight Risk Fowl Classes- Birds shown in NWO Show Arena
- Flight Risk Fowl Classes- Birds show in Poultry Barn/ Tent cages
- Egg Classes- Judged in Poultry Barn

## **Market/Breed Show Order**

NON-Flight Risk Fowl Classes: Meat Duck, Meat Geese, Meat Chickens, Meat Turkey, Fancy Duck – Bantam, Fancy Duck – Light, Fancy Duck – Medium, Fancy Duck – Heavy, Hybrid Production Hen, Hybrid Production Pullet, Cock – Standard, Cock – Bantam, Cockerel – Standard, Cockerel – Bantam, Hen – Standard, Hen – Bantam, Pullet – Standard, Pullet – Bantam, Trio – Standard, Trio – Bantam

Flight Risk Fowl Classes: Fancy Turkey, Fancy Goose – Light, Fancy Goose – Medium, Fancy Goose – Heavy, Guinea

Egg Class: Market Eggs

## **SPORTSMANSHIP CONTRACT**

A Parent/Guardian and Jr. Fair Exhibitor agree and understand it is their personal responsibility to adhere to the following sportsmanship policy when entering an exhibit in the Poultry Department:

**Verbal abuse, physical abuse or harassment towards directors, judges, ring stewards, superintendents, employees, OSU Extension Staff, Junior Fair members, club advisors or volunteers of the Hancock County Fair will not be tolerated. You may be escorted from the Junior Fair event, premiums forfeited and upon Hancock County Agricultural Society committee decision, the family members may not be able to exhibit at the Hancock County Fair for a period indicated by the committee based on the severity of the situation.**

## **CLASS DESCRIPTION**

### **Market**

- 01** Meat Chickens (Pen of 3)
- 02** Meat Turkey
- 03** Meat Duck (Pen of 2)
- 04** Meat Geese (Pen of 2)
- 05** Egg (13 eggs)

### **All Other Poultry**

- 06** Fancy Turkey
- 07** Cock - Standard
- 08** Cock - Bantam
- 09** Cockerel -Standard
- 10** Cockerel- Bantam

- 11 Hen- Standard (Pen of 2)
- 12 Hens- Bantam (Pen of 2)
- 13 Pullets -Standard (Pen of 2)
- 14 Pullets- Bantam (Pen of 2)
- 15 Trio - Standard (1 Male, 2 Females)
- 16 Trio - Bantam (1 Male, 2 Females)
- 17 Guinea
- 18 Hybrid Production Hen (Pen of 2) - Must be in production
- 19 Hybrid Production Pullet (Pen of 2) - Must be in production
- 20 Fancy Duck – Bantam
- 21 Fancy Duck – Light
- 22 Fancy Duck – Medium
- 23 Fancy Duck - Heavy
- 24 Fancy Goose – Light
- 25 Fancy Goose – Medium
- 26 Fancy Goose - Heavy

## **RULES**

Per Health Regulations from the State of Ohio Department of Agriculture – Each poultry exhibitor must comply with one of the following:

901:1-18-05 Poultry and Fowl

See: <https://codes.ohio.gov/ohio-administrative-code/rule-901:1-18-05>

(A) ALL TURKEYS, CHICKENS and GAMEBIRDS moved within or imported into Ohio for exhibition must either:

(1) Originate directly from a FLOCK or HATCHERY which is a participant in the NATIONAL POULTRY IMPROVEMENT PLAN (NPIP) for the eradication of disease and

be accompanied by documentary evidence that they meet the requirement of this paragraph;

(2) Originate directly from a FLOCK which has had a NEGATIVE TEST for PULLORUM/FOWL TYPHOID DISEASE within TWELVE MONTHS PRECEDING THE OPENING DATE OF EXHIBITION and be accompanied by documentary evidence that they meet the requirement of this paragraph;

(3) Have had a NEGATIVE TEST FOR PULLORUM/FOWL TYPHOID DISEASE, WITHIN NINETY DAYS, PRECEDING THE OPENING DATE OF THE EXHIBITION and be accompanied by documentary evidence that they meet the requirement of this paragraph; or

(B) The RAPID WHOLE BLOOD TEST SHALL NOT BE USED TO TEST TURKEYS for compliance with the requirements of paragraphs (A)(2), (A)(3) and (A)(4) of this rule.

(C) **WATERFOWL, DOVES and PIGEONS are exempt from this rule.**

### **All Classes**

#### **General**

1. Exhibitors must abide by all Junior Fair Rules and Regulations.
2. All Birds and/or eggs must be selected from birds in exhibitor's project

### **PRIOR TO FAIR**

1. Exhibitors are **REQUIRED** to submit a properly *completed Hancock County Junior Fair Poultry Guideline Form* for the current year to the Poultry Superintendent by **July 31st**. Violation of this rule prohibits the exhibitor from exhibiting poultry projects at the fair unless a late submission has been approved by the Poultry Superintendent.

2. Per the Ohio Department of Agriculture, a valid health certificate is **REQUIRED** for each chicken, turkey, and guinea to be exhibited. See Rule 901:1-18-05 above.

3. If the bird is less than 1 year old, the hatchery invoice with the NPIP participant stamp/information serves as the health certificate.

4. If a chicken or guinea is greater than 1 year old, each bird must be Pullorum tested by a certified Pullorum tester within 90 days before the first day of the fair. Contact the **Blanchard Valley Poultry Association** or a Poultry Superintendent for scheduled Pullorum testing events or Pullorum tester contact information.

5. If a turkey is greater than 1 year old, each turkey must be NPIP tested by a certified NPIP tester within a year of the first day of the fair. Contact the Blanchard Valley Poultry Association or a Poultry Superintendent for NPIP tester information.

6. Health certificates for each poultry project are **REQUIRED** to be submitted online to the Poultry Superintendent by July 31st. Paper copies of health certificates will NOT be accepted. Violation of this rule prohibits the exhibitor from exhibiting poultry projects at the fair unless a late submission has been approved by the Poultry Superintendent.

7. Submitted health certificates are **REQUIRED** to display purchase location, purchase date and NPIP participant stamp/information.

### **FAIR CHECK-IN/WEIGH-IN**

1. All birds are **REQUIRED** to enter the fairgrounds through the McCleary Gate and be subject to veterinarian inspection.

2. For fancy birds, the poultry barn will be open for check-in on Monday prior to the fair from 9:00 AM until 8:00 PM.

3. For market birds, the birds will be banded and weighed on Monday prior to the fair from 12:00 NOON until 6:00 PM. Market birds cannot check into the poultry barn without a completed weigh slip.

4. All entries must be in place before 8:00 PM on Monday before the fair. If poultry exhibits arrive after 8:00 PM, the birds must be removed from the fairgrounds unless prior Poultry Superintendent approval has been received.

5. All exhibitors must check-in before entering the barn with their birds and/or eggs. Violation of this rule will result in the exhibitor removing all poultry exhibits from the fairgrounds.

6. Market animals are **REQUIRED** to be weighed with exhibitor present. If an exhibitor **CANNOT** be present for weigh-in of their animals, the Poultry Superintendent must be notified prior to weigh-in day. If this rule is violated, the Poultry Superintendent and Poultry Director in charge have the final decision on whether the exhibitor's birds can be weighed and exhibited.

7. Birds are **REQUIRED** to have dry feathers and body for check-in and weigh-in. Violation of this rule will prohibit the exhibitor from checking-in and/or weighing wet birds for exhibition.

8. No sorting, swapping or substitution of birds will be allowed once checked-in at the Fair. Once a bird is checked-in, the bird **CANNOT** be replaced with a different bird. **EXCEPTION -** If a market bird expires or is damaged after weigh-in, the exhibitor must obtain approval from

the Poultry Superintendent and Poultry Director in charge to weigh a replacement bird PRIOR to the end of the posted weigh-in time.

### **FAIR MARKET-BREED SHOW/SHOWMANSHIP/LIVESTOCK SALE RING**

1. Exhibitor is **REQUIRED** to dress in black/dark blue jeans, long-sleeved white shirt or lab coat and closed toe boots or shoes covering the foot to the ankle to participate in the Market/Breed Show, Showmanship, or Livestock Sale. Exhibitor is **PROHIBITED** from participating in the Market/Breed Show, Showmanship or Livestock Sale if not dressed in proper show attire. Replacement Junior Fair exhibitors are **REQUIRED** to follow the proper show attire.

2. Exhibitor **MUST BE PRESENT** at time of show. No premiums will be awarded if exhibitor does not participate in the show. If exhibitor cannot be present at time of judging, the exhibitor is **REQUIRED** to complete a *Junior Fair Poultry Show Replacement Form* for each class and personally submit the form to a Poultry Superintendent prior to 11 AM on the first day of the fair. The exhibitor must state on the form who is permitted to show and move their bird(s). An exhibitor forfeits the right to have their bird(s) compete in a class upon failure to complete or properly submit the *Junior Fair Poultry Show Replacement Form*. The final decision is at the discretion of the Poultry Superintendent and Poultry Director in charge. See Hancock County Junior Fair Rules and Regulations.

3. Birds are **REQUIRED** to have dry feathers and body for market/breed show, showmanship, or sale in the Junior Fair Livestock Sale. Exhibitors forfeit the ability to exhibit or sell their animals with wet feathers and/or bodies.

### **FAIR RESIDENCY**

1. Exhibitor is **REQUIRED** to provide their own food, bedding, and dishes.

2. All exhibitors are required to provide proper care. This includes cleaning their own exhibits and providing fresh bedding **twice a day**, providing fresh food **at least once a day**, providing fresh water **as needed throughout the day**. Each pen will have a care card and exhibits will be inspected at 9 AM and 9 PM daily. If an issue is discovered, a date and time stamped sticker will be placed on the care card. The exhibitor must resolve the issue and notify the Poultry Superintendent within 24 hours. If an exhibitor fails to provide proper care in a timely manner:

**FIRST OFFENSE:** The exhibitor will receive a written warning.

**SECOND OFFENSE:** The exhibitor will be required to meet with the Poultry director in charge and Poultry Superintendent.

**THIRD OFFENSE OR FAILURE TO MEET WITH BARN OFFICIALS:** The Poultry Director and Poultry Superintendent have the right to withhold premiums, remove exhibitor from the Livestock Sale or impose participation limitations in next year's fair.

3. Securing cage doors with a locking device is prohibited. Poultry Superintendent and/or Poultry Director in charge reserve the right to cut locking devices from cages. Zip-ties are recommended to secure cage doors.

4. Personal supplies are **REQUIRED** to be stored in barn/tent beneath cage supports or within personal vehicle. Supplies cannot be in aisleways (fully or partially), next to cages or outside of barn/tent.

### **FAIR RELEASE**

1. Birds **CANNOT** be removed prior to release date and dismissal time without approval of the Poultry Superintendent, Poultry Director in charge, and Veterinarian. Contact the Poultry Superintendent or Poultry Director in charge to obtain approval and the proper release form.

2. Eggs **CANNOT** be removed from the barn once checked in. They ARE NOT a take-home project and will be disposed of by either the Poultry Director in charge or a Poultry Superintendent.

3. Exhibitor is responsible for cleaning pen and surrounding area once birds are released.

### **ALL MARKET BIRDS – MEAT CHICKENS, MEAT TURKEY, MEAT DUCKS, MEAT GEESE**

1. Weigh-in will be held Monday prior to the fair and market animals must be weighed during the posted weigh-in time. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

2. Market animals **not** weighed during the posted weigh-in time **CANNOT** be sold in the Junior Fair Livestock Sale. If non-weighed market birds are caged/penned, they will receive an alternate ID band and will go base bid.

3. A Drug Use Notification Form (DUNF) form is required for each turkey or pen of meat chickens/meat ducks/meat geese. **No form- No banding - no weigh-in.**

4. Birds with wet feathers and/or bodies will not be banded, weighed, exhibited or sold.

5. Market birds will be banded prior to weigh-in. If a bird is not banded, it **will not** be weighed, **will not exhibit** and must leave the fairgrounds.
6. Weigh slips must be filled out completely or market animal will go base bid.
7. Market animals must be weighed with exhibitor present before being penned. If an exhibitor **CANNOT** be present for weigh-in of their animals, the Poultry Superintendent must be notified prior to weigh-in day.
8. Market animals will only be weighed once.
9. All market animals weighed will be caged for an exhibit and cannot go home.
10. No sorting, swapping or substitution of birds will be allowed once checked-in at the fair. Once a bird is checked-in, the bird **CANNOT** be replaced with a different bird. **EXCEPTION** - If a market bird expires or is damaged after weigh-in, the exhibitor must obtain approval from the Poultry Superintendent and Poultry Director in charge to weigh replacement bird PRIOR to the end of the posted weigh-in time.
11. This is a terminal sale for all species of market birds. All market birds will be sold to the base bidder. There are no take home projects.
12. Exhibitor can sell only one (1) market class entry through sale ring. Exception Champion and Reserve Champion. **See Junior Fair Livestock Sale – Sale Ring, Market Bid, Take Home.**
13. Each exhibitor is **REQUIRED** to provide their own pen/cage to sell their market birds in the Junior Fair Livestock Sale.

### **MEAT CHICKENS**

1. Meat Chickens must be hatched and in exhibitor's possession five (5) to seven (7) weeks prior to the first day of the fair of the current year.
2. Exhibitor allowed one (1) entry in class.
3. A pen of meat chickens contains three (3) commercial chickens of same breed, variety, age and sex. The birds can be de-beaked, de-toed, dubbed or subjected to any practice generally accepted in the commercial production of meat type poultry.
4. Pens will be placed in a weight class for judging. The weight class is determined by the combined weight of all three (3) meat chickens:  
**Fryer** – minimum of 10 pounds and a maximum less than 13 pounds and 8 ounces.



**Broiler** – Minimum of 13 pounds and 8 ounces and a maximum of 21 Pounds.

**Overweight** – Over 21 pounds.

5. Pens weighing less than 10 pounds will not be caged, will not exhibit, and must leave the fairgrounds.
6. Pens must be judged in the Broiler weight class to be eligible for banners and to be sold in the Junior Fair Livestock Sale.
7. Refer to All **Market Birds – Meat Chickens, Meat Turkey, Meat Ducks, Meat Geese section for additional guidelines.**
8. Banners: Grand Champion Meat Chickens and Reserve Champion Meat Chickens

### **MEAT TURKEYS**

1. Meat Turkeys must be hatched no earlier than April 15th of current year.
2. Meat Turkeys must be in exhibitor's possession no later than June 1st of current year.
3. Exhibitor allowed one (1) entry in class.
4. Meat Turkeys are **REQUIRED** to be a hen.
5. Meat Turkeys will be placed in a weight class for judging. The weight classes are:  
**Fryer** – Minimum 14 pounds and a maximum of less than 18 pounds  
**Young Turkey** – Minimum of 18 pounds and a maximum of 30 pounds.  
**Overweight** – Over 30 pounds.
6. Pens weighing less than 14 pounds will not be caged, will not exhibit, and must leave the fairgrounds.
7. Meat Turkeys must be in the Young Turkey weight class to be eligible for banners.
8. Meat Turkeys must be in the Young Turkey weight class to be sold in the Junior Fair Livestock Sale.
9. Refer to **All Market Birds – Meat Chickens, Meat Turkey, Meat Ducks, Meat Geese section for additional guidelines.**
10. Banners: Grand Champion Meat Turkey and Reserve Champion Meat Turkey.

## **MEAT DUCKS/GEESE**

1. Meat Ducks/Geese must be hatched no earlier than October 1st of previous year.
2. Meat Ducks must be in exhibitor's possession seven (7) weeks prior to the first day of the fair of the current year.
3. Meat Geese must be in exhibitor's possession sixteen (16) weeks prior to the first day of the fair of the current year.
4. Exhibitor allowed one (1) entry in Meat Duck class and one (1) entry in Meat Geese class.
5. A pen of meat ducks/geese contains two (2) birds of same breed, variety and sex. Both Meat Ducks/Geese should be similar in age.
6. Meat Duck breed is **REQUIRED** to be Rouen or Pekin.
7. Refer to **All Market Birds – Meat Chickens, Meat Turkey, Meat Ducks, Meat Geese** section for additional guidelines.
8. Grand Champion Meat waterfowl & reserve Champion Meat Waterfowl selected from combined Meat Duck and Meat Geese classes.
9. Banners: Grand Champion Meat Waterfowl and Reserve Champion Meat Waterfowl.

## **MARKET EGGS**

1. Limited to exhibitors in either the **Hybrid Production Hen or Hybrid Production Pullet class**.
2. Exhibitor allowed one (1) entry in class.
3. Must provide thirteen (13) eggs produced by hens/pullets entered in the **Hybrid Production Hen or Hybrid Production Pullet class**.
4. NO store-bought eggs permitted.
5. Eggs will be judged on uniformity, size, shape, color, sheen and freshness, and shell texture.
6. One (1) egg will be broken to judge interior quality.

7. **Poultry Director in charge or Poultry Superintendents will dispose of Market Eggs. They ARE NOT a take home project, ARE NOT sold in sale ring or go base bid.**
8. Monetary Award: Best of Show – Market Eggs.

### **FANCY TURKEYS**

Per Heath Regulations from the State of Ohio Department of Agriculture - Rule 901:1-18-05, the RAPID WHOLE BLOOD TEST SHALL NOT BE USED TO TEST TURKEYS. Please review the entire text of Rule 901:1-15-05 for health certificate and/or testing guidelines.

1. Refer to **All Other Poultry** section for additional guidelines.

### **Hybrid Production Hen/Pullet**

1. Pen requires two (2) female birds of same breed, variety and similar in age.
2. Birds must be in production.
3. Birds entered in the **Hybrid Production Hen or Hybrid Production Pullet** class cannot be entered in additional classes (Hen, Pullet or Trio).
4. Bird breed must be hybrid or crossbred. Breed **CANNOT** be listed as an American Poultry Association Accepted Breed (<https://amerpoultryassn.com/accepted-breeds-varieties/>).
5. Refer to **All Other Poultry** section for additional guidelines.
6. Banners: Multiple
7. Monetary Award: Best of Show – Production.

### **ALL OTHER POULTRY**

1. All birds must be in exhibitor's possession no later than June 1st of current year.
2. Exhibitor allowed one (1) entry in each class.
3. Age definition:
  - Cock – Male hatched prior to September 1 of previous year
  - Cockerel – Male hatched after September 1 of previous year
  - Hen – Female hatched prior to September 1 of previous year
  - Pullet – Female hatched after September 1 of previous year

4. The following classes require two (2) female birds of same breed, variety and similar in age. Trio class requires male bird to be same breed and variety as females.
  - Hen – Standard (Pen of 2)
  - Hen – Bantam (Pen of 2)
  - Pullet – Standard (Pen of 2)
  - Pullet – Bantam (Pen of 2)
  - Trio – Standard (1 Male, 2 Females)
  - Trio – Bantam (1 Male, 2 Females)
5. The breed is **REQUIRED** to be listed as an American Poultry Association Accepted Breed (<https://amerpoultryassn.com/accepted-breeds-varieties/>).
6. Banners: Multiple
7. Monetary Award: Best of Show – Fancy

## **SHOWMANSHIP SHOW**

**Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> – 1:00 p.m. NWO Arena**

**Showmanship Order:** Turkey – Senior, Waterfowl – Senior, Chicken – Senior, Turkey – Junior, Waterfowl – Junior, Chicken - Intermediate, Chicken - Junior, Super, Pee Wee, Youth and Adult.

### **JUNIOR FAIR SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES**

- Turkey Showmanship – Senior (14 years and older)
- Turkey Showmanship – Junior (8 years to 13 years)
- Waterfowl Showmanship – Senior (14 years and older)
- Waterfowl Showmanship – Junior (8 years to 13 years)
- Chicken Showmanship – Senior (14 years and older)
- Chicken Showmanship – Intermediate (11 years to 13 years)
- Chicken Showmanship – Junior (8 years to 10 years)
- Super Showmanship (Current and Previous Winners)

### **OPEN SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES - PARTICIPATORY ONLY**

- Pee Wee Showmanship (7 years and under)
- Youth Showmanship (8 years to 17 years)
- Adult Showmanship (18 years and older)

### **SHOWMANSHIP RULES**

1. Participation in any showmanship class is determined by Exhibitor's age on January 1st of the current year.

### **JUNIOR FAIR SHOWMANSHIP RULES**

1. Exhibitors are permitted to participate in the showmanship class for any species the exhibitor showed in the Junior Fair Market/Breed judging contest of the current year.
2. Exhibitors are **REQUIRED** to dress in black/dark blue jeans, **long-sleeved** white shirt or lab coat and closed toe boots or shoes covering the foot to the ankle to participate.
3. Exhibitors are required to show their own bird(s). No borrowing or swapping of birds.

4. Only exhibitors present during showmanship class judging are eligible for award placement.
5. Super Showmanship includes current and previous showmanship winners for all poultry species (chicken, waterfowl, turkey) of any age specification.
6. Showmanship class winners cannot compete in the same class the following year but may compete in the next higher age division or Super Showmanship. An exhibitor may resume competition upon completion of one (1) year absent period.
7. The exhibitor who receives first place in any senior showmanship class will sit out the following year as well as the Showman of Showmen representative if they were not the first-place winner. Exhibitors may resume competition upon completion of one (1) year absent period.
8. Winners of the following showmanship classes compete in the Small Animal Showman of Showmen contest:
  - a. Chicken Showmanship – Senior
  - b. Waterfowl Showmanship – Senior
  - c. Turkey Showmanship – Senior
9. If an exhibitor is a previous winner of the Small Animal Showman of Showmen, they cannot participate in the contest a second time and participation will be given to the second-place winner of their respective class.
10. Awards: All Junior Fair Showmanship Classes.