

## DEPARTMENT G - POULTRY

### ***Sarpy County Fair Co-Superintendents:***

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4-H Staff Person Responsible – John Kilpatrick

### **Rules:**

- A. All poultry exhibitors need to have completed Quality Assurance training in order to exhibit at the Sarpy County Fair.
- B. Advanced entries are due to either Douglas/Sarpy Extension Office by July 15 of the current year. **All poultry exhibitors must fill out Form “D” (Rabbit and Poultry entries only) and return it to either Douglas/Sarpy Extension Office by July 15 of the current year. DO NOT use Form B for rabbit or poultry entries.** An individual club member may have four different ages of birds per breed exhibited. Each individual bird is limited to showing in only one class, and birds entered as single exhibits are not eligible for pen entries. Members can exhibit only one class of broilers.
- C. The minimum weights are as follows: Heavy breed pullet - 4 lbs.; cockerel - 5 lbs.; leghorn pullet - 3 lbs.; and cockerel - 4 lbs.
- D. All birds must be healthy. If unhealthy, they will not be allowed to exhibit and must be removed from the fairgrounds. This will be left to the discretion of the poultry superintendent.
- E. All birds must be grown in club member’s poultry project.
- F. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to properly classify each entry, and if incorrect will be dropped one ribbon placing (at judge’s discretion). Exhibition breeds may be shown by breed if breed is recognized in “The Standard of Perfection for Poultry”. Exhibitors should know name of breed they are exhibiting. Crossbreds are encouraged to show in production classes only.
- G. During fair week, the 4-H member is responsible for the care of their animals. This includes feed and water. Signs pertaining to the sale of animals are not to be displayed on either fairgrounds by any 4-H exhibitor or their families.
- H. Exhibitors will be asked to help out as Barn Watchers. Please sign up for a time.
- I. If total entries exceed total cage space the Superintendent will determine which class or classes will not be exhibited.
- J. The exhibitor must be present when their poultry is judged in order to receive special awards unless arrangements have been made with the Superintendent. INTERVIEW JUDGING - Interview Judging for poultry exhibitors will be on a volunteer (but recommended) basis. All 4-H poultry exhibitors are asked to be by their birds while they are being judged. Be prepared to table show some classes of birds. Parents are welcome to be in the barn to hear the comments.
- K. **Poultry Premiums will be Pay Level 5. Showmanship will be Pay Level 4.**
- L. Exhibitors are encouraged to sign up for showmanship.
- M. Special awards will be given for Champion Large Fowl, Bantam, Broiler, Turkey, Duck,

Goose, and Pigeon.

N. Waterfowl exhibitors should bring their own water and feed containers (milk jugs etc.).

O. Exhibits must stay for the duration of the fair or premiums will be withheld.

**P. Exhibitors showing birds are required to wear either a white shirt with the official 4-H chevron attached or an official 4-H T-shirt.**

**Q. Enter Poultry & Rabbits Exhibits at: 3-8 p.m. Tuesday July 28, 2009.**

**R. Poultry Show Times: The Showmanship Classes will start 9:00 a.m. and the Poultry Table Show will start at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday July 29, 2009. The south end of the Poultry/Rabbit Barn.**

S. For State Fair in classes where the presence of the 4-H'er is required for judging purposes, such as animal exhibits, judging contests, presentations, and fashion show, the 4-H member must be 4-H age 10 by January 1, 2009, or becoming 11 years of age during 2009. The last year of eligibility is the calendar year the member becomes 19. (Eligible birth date range is January 1, 1990 through December 31, 1998.)

T. At the superintendent's discretion some of the large waterfowl and turkey entries will be released immediately after the close of the poultry show. If your bird is in this early release group it **MUST GO** home with you on Wednesday night.

**U. Any poultry exhibit shown in any class MUST be Owned by the Exhibitor or the exhibitor must be able prove they were responsible for at least 60% of the care of the animal.** If you are a poultry/rabbit exhibitor and you do not own the animal/s you are exhibiting you must have the owner complete the 60% ownership Form and turn it in to our office by 7-15-08. You must complete this form to be in any showmanship class. 4-H exhibitors will only be allowed to show their own "birds" in the showmanship classes (**no exceptions**)\*.

\* 4-H Clover Kids may show a poultry exhibit that is not their own in the Clover Kid Showmanship class only. Clover Kid poultry showmanship is a non-competitive class and has no special awards or premiums associated with it.

## **Department G – Plants & Animals**

### **Division 70 – Poultry Showmanship**

#### **General Information**

**Showmanship** is based on grooming and training of the bird and appearance and behavior of the exhibitor. The exhibitor must vocally explain the steps in their routine and merit of the bird. Primarily showmanship is the skill of the exhibitor in presenting and explaining the bird before the judge. The excellence of the bird is not considered in scoring. The judge may or may not ask questions of the exhibitor.

**Premiums in Showmanship are pay level 4.**

<b>CLASS 911</b>	<b>SR. SHOWMANSHIP - 4-H AGES 14 TO 18</b>
<b>CLASS 912</b>	<b>JR. SHOWMANSHIP - 4-H AGES 8 TO 13</b>
<b>CLASS 913</b>	<b>NOVICE SHOWMANSHIP - 1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR PARTICIPANTS ONLY.</b>

**CLASS 914**

**MASTER SHOWMANSHIP**

Open to any State Fair eligible Senior who has won Sr. Showmanship at Sarpy County Fair

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Division 70 – Poultry & Waterfowl**

**Premiums for Poultry & Waterfowl Classes are level 5.**

**CLASS 2 LARGE FOWL**

Exhibitors may show any of the following breeds:  
American, Asiatic, English, Mediterranean, Continental, other Standard Breeds

**CLASS 3 BANTAM FOWL**

Exhibitors may show any of the following breeds:  
Game Class, Single Comb-Clean Legged, Rose Comb-Clean Legged, All Other  
Comb-Clean Legged, Feather Legged, other Standard Breeds

**CLASS 4 DUCKS**

**CLASS 5 BANTAM DUCKS**

**CLASS 6 GOOSE**

**CLASS 7 TURKEYS**

**Department G – Plants & Animals  
Division 70 – Production Fowl**

**Premiums for Production Fowl are level 5.**

- A. Broilers can come from any hatchery of your choice, or originate from your own flock. They need to be the breed 'Cornish White Rock'.
- B. Broilers need to be 8 to 9 weeks old at County Fair (older broilers will be dropped one ribbon placing).
- C. Broilers should weigh approximately 5 lbs.

**CLASS 10 LAYING TRIO**

Egg production females will be judged for production qualities only and need not conform to breed standards.

**\* FOLLOWING CLASSES ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR STATE FAIR\***

**CLASS 915\* SINGLE BROILER**

**CLASS 916\* PEN OF THREE BROILERS**

**CLASS 917\* SINGLE PULLET**

- CLASS 918\***      **PEN OF THREE PULLETS**  
Three hybrids or crossbred production birds, hatched during the current year.
- CLASS 919\***      **SINGLE LAYING HEN**

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**Division 70 – Eggs**

Premiums for Eggs are level 5.

- A. Eggs are an exhibit of the club member's selection ability.
- B. Eggs will be judged for interior quality, uniformity of weight, size and shape, shell texture and cleanliness of shell.
- C. Do not refrigerate eggs before judging.

\* FOLLOWING CLASSES ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR STATE FAIR\*

- CLASS 920\***      **WHITE EGGS – ½ DOZEN**  
**CLASS 921\***      **WHITE EGGS – 1 DOZEN**  
**CLASS 922\***      **BROWN EGGS – ½ DOZEN**  
**CLASS 923\***      **BROWN EGGS – 1 DOZEN**  
**CLASS 924\***      **OTHER COLORED EGGS – ½ DOZEN**  
**CLASS 925\***      **OTHER COLORED EGGS – 1 DOZEN**

**Department G – Plants & Animals**  
**Division 70 – Pigeons**

Premiums for Pigeons are level 5.

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- CLASS 926\***      **UTILITY PIGEON – SINGLE**  
**CLASS 927\***      **UTILITY PIGEONS - PAIR**  
**CLASS 928\***      **FANCY PIGEON – SINGLE**  
**CLASS 929\***      **FANCY PIGEONS - PAIR**  
**CLASS 930\***      **PERFORMING PIGEON – SINGLE**  
**CLASS 931\***      **PERFORMING PIGEONS – PAIR**

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### **Division 70 – Clover Kids**

#### **General Instruction:**

1. An exhibitor in the Clover Kid poultry project must be between 5 and 8 years old on January 1 of the current year and be enrolled in 4-H. Each exhibitor will be limited to one entry.
2. Clover Kids Poultry/Waterfowl/Pigeon Show will be held following Showmanship and prior to judging of birds.
  
3. Each exhibitor will receive a 4-H Clover Kid participation ribbon and the class will be conducted non-competitively based on the following
  - a. What the individual learned about caring for and raising the bird.
  - b. The general health of the bird and knowledge in health-related areas.
  - c. How the individual uses handling techniques when working with their bird.

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**Class 901\* - Clover Kid Exhibitor**

**\*\*Ribbon Only (no premiums)**