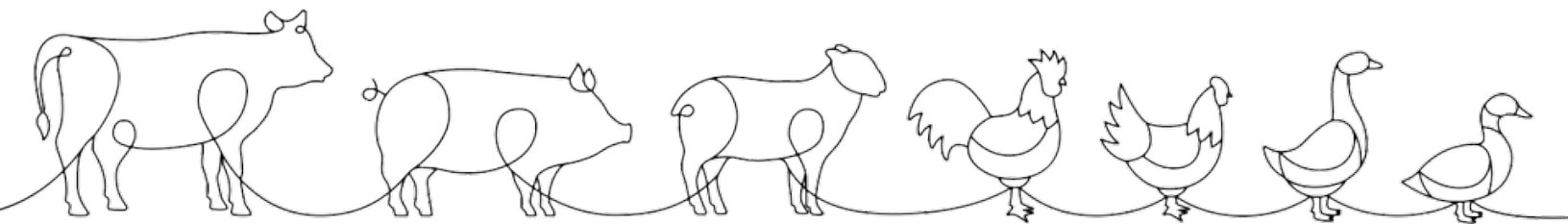




2023 Hartford Fair Livestock Quality Assurance

Rabbit Project Packet



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A colorful cartoon illustration of a farm scene. In the background, there are rolling green hills, a blue sky with white clouds and two birds, and a farm building with a red roof. In the foreground, various farm animals are depicted: two white sheep on the left, a brown cow, a white goat, a pink pig, a white duck, a white rabbit, a brown chicken, and a yellow chicken. A wooden fence runs across the middle ground.

Good Production Practices (GPPs) For Youth Livestock Producers

- GPP 1 Use an appropriate Veterinarian / Client / Patient Relationship (VCPR) as the Basis for Medication Decision Making.
- GPP 2 Establish and Implement an Efficient and Effective Health Management Plan.
- GPP 3 Use antibiotics responsibly.
- GPP 4 Properly Store and Administer Animal Health Products.
- GPP 5 Follow Proper Feed Processing Protocols.
- GPP 6 Establish Effective Identification, Medication Records, and Withdrawal Times.
- GPP 7 Practice Good Environmental Stewardship.
- GPP 8 Maintain Proper Workplace Safety.
- GPP 9 Provide Proper Care to Improve Animal Well-Being.
- GPP 10 Utilize Tools for Continuous Improvement.

2023 Focus

2023 Hartford Independent Fair Junior Fair Livestock / Animal Requirement Summary

(Last Revision 03.23.2023)

	Exhibit Limit	Possession	Pre-Fair Weigh-In/Tagging	Licking County Quality Assurance (Must attend one session) JUNE 1 st Deadline	Clinics	Entry Deadline	Animal Requirements	Health Requirements
Market Steer & Market Heifer	Maximum of 6 entries for Beef Division (Dept. 102/103/104/105)	December 10 th Weigh-In	Must be weighed, tattooed, and tagged on Saturday, December 10, 2022 (8 - 11 a.m.) Grubb Arena, Fairgrounds) Fee: \$5 / RFID Tag (if needed)	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. / May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.		Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	All animals must be dehorned and bulls castrated before December weigh-in. Must be 950 lbs. to sell	No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines. D.U.N.F. and U.P. feeding forms will be completed online prior to arrival to fairgrounds.
Steer Pool	May only draw 1 animal from pool to exhibit. Maximum of 6 entries for Beef Division (Dept. 102/103/104/105)	Steer Pool Selection Date (November)	Completed during selection of steers.	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. / May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.	Attend regularly scheduled Steer Pool meetings	Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.		No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines. D.U.N.F. forms will be completed online prior to arrival to fairgrounds.
Beef Feeder Calf	Maximum of 6 entries for Beef Division (Dept. 102/103/104/105)	June 1 st	N/A	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. / May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.		Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	Calves must weigh between 300 lbs. and 700 lbs. to show for champion (steers and heifers only)	No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines.
Breeding Beef	Maximum of 6 entries for Beef Division (Dept. 102/103/104/105)	90 days preceding the fair	N/A	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. / May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.		Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	All breeds, except crossbreds, must be registered to show for special premiums. Registration papers will be checked at fair. (Not a sale animal)	No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines.
Dairy Feeder Calf	Maximum of 6 entries for Beef Division (Dept. 102/103/104/105)	May 1	Must be weighed, tagged and vaccinated on Saturday, June 3 (8 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.) Grubb Arena, Hartford Fairgrounds Fee: \$10 / animal **Must be dehorned / castrated prior to June 3 in order to be tagged**	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. / May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.	Dairy Feeder Clinic and Show will be held at the Fairgrounds immediately following weigh-in on Saturday, June 4, 2023	Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	Calf must be 100%-Holstein or Brown Swiss. Calf must be dehorned, and castrated PRIOR to weigh-in. Must weigh 400-650 lbs. to sell through Junior fair sale.	No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines. D.U.N.F. and U.P. feeding forms will be completed online prior to arrival to fairgrounds.
Dairy Cattle	No limit as to the number of dairy entries	90 days preceding the fair	N/A	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. / May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.		Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	No horns permitted (except on junior and intermediate heifers). (Not a sale animal)	No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines.
Market Hogs	May exhibit up to 2 animals per exhibitor	90 days preceding the fair	Market Hog ID papers must be submitted electronically to the Hartford Fair Office by no later than May 15.	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. / May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.		Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	Min. of 200lbs. to sell / 220-290 lbs. to show for Champion. Any breed / cross. Gilts and barrows allowed. Clipping discouraged – hair must meet ODA Rev. Code Terminal Sale.	No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines. D.U.N.F. forms will be completed online after tagging upon arrival to fairgrounds.
Market Lambs	May exhibit up to 5 animals (1 pen of two and 3 singles) NOTE: Can't be shown in Breeding Sheep show during Hartford Fair.	May 1	Tagging on May 6 (9 a.m. - 12 p.m.) Sheriff Office, Hartford Fairgrounds Up to 6 lambs may be tagged at that time. Fee: \$3 per animal. Scrapies tags are required for identification.	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. / May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.		Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	No rams allowed. MUST be sick shorn one week or less prior to the fair. All lambs must weigh min. of 95 lbs. (except Southdown and Cheviots 85 lbs.)	No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines. D.U.N.F. and U.P. feeding forms will be completed online prior to arrival to fairgrounds.
Market Lamb Pool	May select / exhibit up to two lambs. (Counts toward max of 5 that can be shown in Dept 108 Market Lamb)	Lamb Pool Selection will take place April 30 @ 3pm (Claylick Run Farm). Pre-registration required.	Completed during selection of lambs. NOTE: Lamb Pool application deadline is April 16.	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. / May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.		Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.		No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines. D.U.N.F. and U.P. feeding forms will be completed online prior to arrival to fairgrounds.
Breeding Sheep	May exhibit up to 5 entries in Junior Fair.	90 days preceding the fair	N/A	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. / May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.		Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	May show ewes or rams. (Not a sale animal)	Must have USDA approved Scrapies tag in all breeding stock. No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines.

	Exhibit Limit	Possession	Pre-Fair Weigh-In/Tagging	Licking County Quality Assurance (Must attend one session) JUNE 1 st Deadline	Clinics	Entries	Animal Requirements	Health Requirements
Market Goats	May exhibit up to 2 animals.	May 20 th	Tagging on May 20 (10 a.m.–12 p.m.) Goat Barn, Hartford Fairgrounds Fee: \$2 / animal May tag up to 6 animals. Scrapies tags are required for identification.	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.	Goats R Us 4-H Club will host workshops on June 15 and July 13 at the Hartford Fairgrounds that are open to any youth. Contact Laney McLaughlin # 740.927.4790	Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	Minimum of 45 lbs. to sell. MUST be sick-shorn one week or less prior to the fair. Only goats entered in Junior Fair may stay on the grounds.	Must have USDA approved Scrapies identification in all goats (ear tag / microchip / tattoo / registration papers). No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines. D.U.N.F. and U.P. feeding forms will be completed online prior to arrival to fairgrounds.
Breeding Goats	May exhibit up to 6 animals (any market goat entries count toward this total of six entries within the goat department)	90 days preceding the fair	N/A	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.	Goats R Us 4-H Club will host workshops on June 15 and July 13 at the Hartford Fairgrounds that are open to any youth. Contact Laney McLaughlin # 740.927.4790	Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	No horned goats permitted in dairy classes. No bucks permitted. (Not a sale animal) Only goats entered in Junior Fair may stay on the grounds.	Must have USDA approved Scrapies identification in all goats (ear tag / microchip / tattoo / registration papers). No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines.
Market Rabbits	Max of 2 per Lot, which counts toward max of 6 entries for Market and Breeding Rabbits.	30 days preceding fair	Registration/Tattooing July 8 (10 a.m. - 2 p.m.) Beef Barn, Hartford Fairgrounds Fee: \$1 / animal	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.	Rabbit & Poultry Clinic & Fun Show will be held on Saturday, June 10 at the Hartford Fairgrounds.	Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	Single fryer / pen of three rabbits min 3 ½ lbs. / max 5 ½ lbs. 69 days old each at show	No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines. D.U.N.F. forms will be completed online prior to arrival to fairgrounds.
Breeding Rabbits	Max of 2 per Lot, which counts toward max of 6 entries for Market and Breeding Rabbits.	90 days preceding the fair	Sr. Rabbits - May 6 (10 a.m. – 2 p.m.) Behind Grandstands, Fairgrounds Jr Rabbits - July 8 (10 a.m. – 2 p.m.) Beef Barn, Fairgrounds Fee: \$1 / animal	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.	Rabbit & Poultry Clinic & Fun Show will be held on Saturday, June 10 at the Hartford Fairgrounds.	Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	(Not a sale animal)	No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines.
Meat Poultry (broilers/turkeys / ducks)	Max of 2 per Lot, which counts toward max of 6 entries for Market Poultry. Meat turkeys, chickens and ducks must be purchased through a Hartford Fair Poultry Pool.	Meat turkeys / chickens / ducks must be purchased through Hartford Fair Poultry Pool.	Turkeys are banded May 6 (10 a.m. – 2 p.m.) Behind Grandstands, Hartford Fairgrounds All other Meat Poultry - Wing Banding July 8 (10 a.m. - 2 p.m.) Beef Barn, Hartford Fairgrounds Fee: \$1 / entry	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.	Rabbit & Poultry Clinic & Fun Show will be held on Saturday, June 10 at the Hartford Fairgrounds.	Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	Meat chicken/single broiler / pen of three birds must weigh between 5 and 8 lbs. Meat turkeys, chickens and ducks must be purchased through Hartford Fair Poultry Pool.	Be prepared to show NPIP health papers. D.U.N.F. forms will be completed online prior to arrival to fairgrounds.
Breeding Poultry	Max of 2 per Lot, which counts toward max of 6 entries for Market Poultry.	90 days preceding the fair	Wing Banding May 6 (10 a.m. - 2 p.m.) Behind Grandstands, Hartford Fairgrounds Fee: \$1 / entry	March 23 Watkins H.S. / April 5 Licking Valley H.S. / April 18 Johnstown H.S. / April 27 Licking Valley H.S. May 1 Utica H.S. / May 13 Northridge H.S. All programs held 6:30-8:30 p.m.	Rabbit & Poultry Clinic & Fun Show will be held on Saturday, June 10 at the Hartford Fairgrounds.	Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	(Not a sale animal)	Be prepared to show NPIP health papers. All turkeys must be floorum tested by a veterinarian. Health papers must be presented upon arrival to barn.
Dogs	May exhibit up to 6 Dogs, max of 6 entries.	April 1 Must be owned by exhibitor or immediate family	N/A	No Quality Assurance Program required for this species in 2023.	Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	Need certificate of license & dog license tag to register. Dog must be older than 6 mos. at time of show. Dogs in heat may not be shown.	Hartford Fair Certificate of Vaccination form required. (available through Licking County 4-H Club Advisors and the Licking County Extension Office website)
Llamas	May exhibit up to 6 Llamas, max of 6 entries.	90 days preceding the fair	N/A	No Quality Assurance Program required for this species in 2023.	Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	(Not a sale animal) Haul-in only. Temporary stalling will be provided day of show.	No health papers required. However, you must follow state guidelines.
Equine (Horse & Pony)	May exhibit up to 6 animals (may only stall 1 animal) NOTE: All horses and ponies must have a Body Condition Score (BCS) of at least "4" to be exhibited at 4-H events and shows.	Licking County exhibitors submit by April 27 to LC4-HH&PC Knox & Delaware exhibitors submit by May 1 to Hartford Fair Office	N/A	All Equine members must complete EquiSTEP training program by June 1 st .	Licking County Pony measurements made by appointment prior to April 10. Contact Nancy Aftidge (#614.989.5717). An educational clinic will be held April 29, sponsored by the Licking County 4-H Horse & Pony Council.	Entry deadline is Monday, June 26 th . Changes must be made prior to July 21 st late entry deadline.	(Not a sale animal) Pre-entry for classes is required. All classes must be entered by fair entry deadline.	Required Vaccinations: West Nile Combo (includes Tetanus), Rhino/Flu, and Equine Rabies. Health papers must be presented at Vet Check Point & Horse Project Grading. Veterinarian certificate and DUNF required for any and all medications with unexpired withdrawal period.

For all species divisions which are listed on this form, the youth member must be currently enrolled in the respective appropriate project in either Licking, Knox, or Delaware County 4-H / FFA/Steer Pool programs. The project must be carried through the county of which the youth is a 4-H or FFA member in good standing. Licking, Knox and Delaware County members are encouraged to attend a Quality Assurance Program within their county of membership.

Project Enrollment for 4-H and FFA Members and Showing Animals

- ✓ Ohio 4-H members are sometimes also FFA members. To keep work in both organizations clearly separate, members are advised to take a different species in each organization or, at the very least, to take market animals in one and breeding animals in the other.

	4-H	FFA
Allowable	Breeding Gilt	Market Hog
Allowable	Market Steer	Market Hog
Not Allowable	Market Lamb	Market Lamb



Photos courtesy of the Ohio State Fair.



Information

For questions about Ohio State Fair entries, rules, and deadlines please visit <https://ohiostatefair.com/livestock/>

For additional livestock project resources and scrapie information, please visit <https://go.osu.edu/livestock>

For questions related to statewide Quality Assurance policies please contact:

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Requirements of Livestock Projects for Exhibition in Ohio Fairs



Requirements of County 4-H Educators

When youth livestock project members are required to attend Quality Assurance, ensure that:

- ✓ Members are in good standing
 - Check with club advisor to make sure they have met club requirements to be in good standing.
- ✓ Youth have completed QA **at least 45 days prior** to the START of the fair (not the show day)
 - For example, if the opening day of the fair is July 20, but a youth doesn't show until July 23, QA must be completed by the youth at least 45 days prior to July 20.
 - ***If the fair takes place after the Ohio State Fair, and a youth wants to exhibit at the Ohio State Fair, they must complete QA 45 days prior to the opening day of the Ohio State Fair to be eligible to participate.***
- ✓ Members are enrolled in the appropriate project corresponding to the class/animal they are entering
 - For example, youth must be enrolled in a market beef project to enter for a market steer/market heifer class.
 - A youth CANNOT be enrolled in only beef breeding and take a market heifer to the fair.

Requirements for Parents/Guardians/Advisors and Youth

Make sure that children/club member(s) entering livestock at the county and/or Ohio State Fair:

- ✓ Are members in good standing
 - Have they met your club standards (attendance, forms filled out, enrolled in the proper projects, etc).
- ✓ Have completed QA **at least 45 days prior** to the START of the fair (not the show day)
 - For example, if the opening day of the fair is July 20, but the youth doesn't show until July 23, QA must be completed by the youth at least 45 days prior to July 20.
 - ***If the fair takes place after the Ohio State Fair, and the youth wants to exhibit at the Ohio State Fair, they must complete QA 45 days prior to the start of the Ohio State Fair to be eligible to participate.***
- ✓ Are enrolled in the appropriate project corresponding to the class/animal they are entering
 - For example, youth must be enrolled in a market beef project to enter a market steer/market heifer class.
 - A youth CANNOT be enrolled in only beef breeding and take a market heifer to the fair.

Requirements for Parents/Guardians/Advisors and Youth

- ✓ Have the project animal(s) in their possession by the approved dates (refer to county/state fair rules) and is properly tagged/identified
 - For example, beef exhibitors for the Ohio State Fair must send a DNA sample and register EID tag by January 15 to be eligible for entry.
 - County fairs will require tagging/tattoo days for market animals.
 - Sheep and goats must have scrapie tags/identification per USDA.
- ✓ Have registered/entered in the correct classes by the posted deadlines for the event.
- ✓ Understand and comply with fair rules and regulations.



For questions about project requirements, Quality Assurance dates/requirements, fair requirements, and county-related rules, please contact your county 4-H Extension Educator. Contact information can be found at licking.osu.edu.

2023 HARTFORD SENIOR FAIR BOARD

POINTS OF IMPORTANCE

VARIOUS ANIMAL UPDATES AND REMINDERS...

— BEEF.

- Additional classes will be offered within the All Other Breeds (AOB) division, separating entries by high and low percentage designations.
- Market Steer / Heifer weigh-in will take place on Saturday, immediately following Steer Pool weigh-in.

— DAIRY FEEDERS.

- Dairy Feeder calves may be only of 100% Holstein or Brown Swiss breeding.
- Weigh-in on June 3rd will run from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m., with a clinic and fun show to follow. The weigh-in will also include an independent assessor whose task will be to identify calves that may require DNA testing. Testing will be at owners' expense, but costs will be refunded if the results of the test show that the calf meets the requirements of being 100% Holstein or Brown Swiss. Calves identified as crossbred will not be eligible to show in weight classes, but will have a exhibition class available to them.
- A showmanship class is being added for beginning (first year) dairy feeder exhibitors. Open to exhibitors ages 8 and 9 as of January 1, 2023. Winner of this class will then compete for Supreme Dairy Feeder Showmanship exhibitor along with the other showmanship class winners.

— GOATS.

- All goats must have approved Scrapies identification!
- Only goats entered in Junior Fair classes may stay on the grounds.
- Market Goat show will increase to fifteen classes and be broken into three weight divisions – light middle and heavy, with division winners advance to championship drive.

— HORSE.

- Horse Department schedule will have changes... Ranch classes will be held on Thursday, with Friday morning being Versatility and Friday afternoon being reserved for Pee Wee and Fun Show activities.
- Horse exhibitors stalling at the fairgrounds will be dismissed early on Saturday, to allow time for the Rodeo to set-up in the Horse Complex for Saturday evening events.

— MARKET LAMBS.

- All market lambs which are ewes, as well as ewes and wethers that are coming from out-of-state, must have USDA approved Scrapies tag identification.
- The Market Lamb show will offer special classes for Bred and Owned entries, with those lambs needing to be designated at B&O during tagging in May.

— BREEDING SHEEP.

- Breeding sheep exhibitors must have USDA approved Scrapies tags in all ewes, rams, and wethers over 18 months (there are no breeding classes for wethers).

— **MARKET HOGS.**

- Hog Identification photos are required of all junior fair hogs and will be uploaded directly in to FairEntry (new entry system). Photos must be submitted online by 11:59 p.m. May 15th. Up to four (4) hogs may be identified. Instructions are forthcoming.
- All hogs consigned to sale will be sent to the packer on either Tuesday night or Wednesday. All youth participating in the sale must send one hog on the trailer. Hogs will not be present during the hog sale on Thursday.
- Any youth bringing a second hog for exhibition will be responsible for removing that hog from the fairgrounds on Friday. Those hogs are not permitted to be taken on the packer truck earlier in the week. These hogs are also eligible to be shown in an open market hog show on Friday.
- All pens should be cleaned by exhibitors at the time that their hog is removed from the grounds, with absolutely all pens being cleaned by end of the day on Friday.

— **RABBITS & POULTRY.**

- The May 6th banding and tattooing will take place behind the grandstands. Please enter Gate C turn right at the first driveway. There will be a rabbit line and a poultry line. Exit will be through Gate B. This will be drive-through style still, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Rabbit show day schedule has been changed to allow breeding rabbits to show first, with market rabbits showing in the afternoon. This should allow more time to process weights and post class lists ahead of the show.
- All meat poultry and meat rabbits must weigh-in prior to having sale photo taken during the fair.

— **GENERAL JUNIOR FAIR LIVESTOCK.**

- Junior Fair entries will be made ONLINE in 2023 – with additional instructions forthcoming. We will be using a new entry system, called FairEntry. This is the same entry system that Delaware and Knox County Fairs have been using for a few years. It is anticipated that entries can be submitted beginning May 16th.
- All market animal exhibitors must complete their Drug Use Notification Form (DUNF) online by 11:59 p.m. on Friday, August 4th. Market Hogs will complete their forms after they have arrived to the fairgrounds and receive their official tags. DUNF instructions will be emailed one week prior to the fair.
- The General Livestock Judging Contest will consist of market / breeding sheep, market / breeding goats, and dairy feeders this year – no beef or hog classes.
- Super Showmanship... Once a member advances to Expert Showmanship and wins Expert Showmanship to advance to Super Showmanship, they will continue to compete in Expert class from that point forward until they age out or win Super Showmanship.

FACILITIES AND BARN SAFETY.

- No floor fans will be permitted in the barn areas. All fans must be hung, for the safety of small children.
- Electrical cords must be good repair and in a safe condition. Unsafe cords will be confiscated.

LIVESTOCK SALES.

- Livestock sales checks will be mailed no earlier than 30 days following the sale. All checks will be mailed, no checks will be held for pick-up! There will be a \$35 charge to re-issue a check with a stale date past the 60 days cashing period.

...AND OTHER ITEMS.

- Fair Book will be available only in electronic format and will be posted to the Hartford Fair website.
- Entries are due by 11:59 p.m. on Monday, June 26th, with late entries being due by 11:59 p.m. on Friday, July 21st. Exhibitors will be expected to review their entries online to ensure that they are accurate.
- Admission prices will be \$10 cash at the gate, or \$8 (plus fees) online in advance of arrival to the gate.
- Weekly passes will be available online for \$55 (plus fees).
- Be sure to stay up to date through the Hartford Fair website and Facebook pages.

- 4-H / FFA Advisors...
 - Will not be issued IDs in 2023, simply need to show driver's license to pick up club member premiums at the Premium Bank.
 - For gate admission, advisors will be issued admission passes that can be printed or shown on their phone to be scanned when entering through admission gates.

- 4-H / FFA Members...
 - Members will be asked to submit name, birthdate and a photo online in order for their ID to be created and printed. All photos must be submitted by June 26th fair entry deadline. Any member not submitting a photo will not have an ID printed and will need to have their parent or an advisor pick up any applicable premiums at the Premium Bank. Instructions are forthcoming.
 - For gate admission, each junior fair exhibitor will be issued an admission pass that can be printed or shown on their phone to be scanned when entering through the admission gates.
 - IDs will not be used for gate admission, that is the biggest thing to keep in mind. Passes will be used at the gates, IDs will be used only at the Premium Bank.

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2023 Guidelines to the 4-H Rabbit Projects

The 4-H Rabbit Projects are as follows:

- #227 Pet Rabbit Project
- #226 Market Rabbit Project
- #225 Breeding Rabbit Project

Here is a brief description of the purpose of each project...

Pet Rabbit Project #227.....

The pet rabbit project is designed for youth who own one or more pet quality rabbits, which they plan to keep as a family pet, and do not have interest in raising breeding stock or commercial market rabbits. This project emphasizes learning about proper care, feeding, disease management, etc. of a rabbit. Youth will purchase and use the Pet Rabbit 4-H Project Book as their project guide. Numerous possible learning activities are given for youth in the project book. If youth enroll in this project multiple years, they should choose new learning activities annually.

*Youth enrolled in this project are **not** eligible to show in the rabbit show at the fair.* An interview judging opportunity will be offered for youth enrolled in this project. Youth will bring their pet rabbit to the 4-H Special Interest Project interview judging, complete the judging process, and return their rabbit home the same day. (This is the same process used for other small animal projects.)

Spayed/Neutered Rabbits: Rabbits that have been spayed / neutered are only eligible to be used within a Pet Rabbit project. They may not be shown in breeding and market classes at the Hartford Fair.

Market Rabbit Project # 226.....

This project is designed for youth who wish to raise and market meat rabbits. It is recommended that youth own a buck and doe, which they will breed to raise their meat rabbits. However, this is not required. Meat rabbits can be purchased for this project. It is recommended youth purchase the Market Rabbit Project Book # 226 the first time they take this project, the book can be retained for additional years of use.

To be eligible to participate in the Junior Fair Livestock Sale, meat rabbits must meet the established weight range at the time of fair weigh-in. See the Hartford Fair Livestock Project Summary Guide for rules which may apply to this project.

Breeding Rabbit Project #225.....

This project is designed for youth who wish to raise rabbits for use as purebred breeding stock or high quality commercial stock for meat purposes. This project focuses on learning about genetics, types of breeding programs, and care and management of breeding rabbits, including identifying all rabbits, utilizing hutch cards and other types of records, it is recommended youth purchase the Breeding Rabbit Project Book # 225 the first time they take this project, the book can be retained for additional years of use.

To be eligible for fair exhibition, breeding and meat rabbits must be tattooed and/or registered on the date, location and time designated by the Hartford Fair Board.

2023 Hartford Fair Tattoo/Registration Days

May 6 th	Senior Rabbits (6 mos. and over) 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. / Roadway behind Grandstands, Fairgrounds / \$1 per animal
July 8 th	Junior Rabbits (under 6 mos.) / Market Rabbits 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. / Hondros Beef Barn, Fairgrounds / \$1 per animal

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2023 HARTFORD FAIR

Rabbit Department Update

Rabbit Projects Eligible to show at the Hartford Fair:

- Breeding Rabbit
- Market Rabbit

Rabbit Tattoo and Registration Dates- All Rabbits to be shown are required to attend. No Makeup!!!!

First Saturday in May: May 6, 2023, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Location: Driveway Behind the Grandstand, Hartford Fairgrounds

Project: Senior Breeding Rabbits (over 6 months of age on show day) to be eligible to be shown at the 2023 Fair.
Even if a Rabbit has been exhibited in past fairs or is already tattooed, it must be attend to be registered each year.

Second Saturday in July: July 8, 2023, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Location: Hondros Beef Barn, Hartford Fairgrounds

Project: Market Rabbits and Junior Breeding Rabbits to be eligible to be shown at the 2023 fair

What is Tattooing and Registration?

ALL rabbit projects, to be eligible for exhibition at the fair, must attend registration AND have a legible tattoo in the Left ear. Exhibitors can register as many rabbit projects as they wish to be eligible to show.

Exhibitors, please bring the following:

- Completed registration form with you and your rabbit(s) information.
- The Rabbits to be registered.

What if I can't attend the registration?

If the Exhibitor is NOT able to bring the project to tattooing/registration day; a representative can bring the rabbits and completed form on their behalf to registration.

What if my Rabbit isn't tattooed?

All rabbits must be tattooed. Your rabbit having a legible tattoo is the responsibility of the exhibitor, not the Hartford independent Fair or Licking County Rabbit and Poultry Committee.

The Licking County Rabbit and Poultry Committee does provide tattooing service on registration day as a fundraiser, \$1.00 per rabbit.

Hartford Fair Updates and Reminders:

****NEW show schedule in 2023****

Market Rabbit Weigh-In at 7:00 am | Breeding Rabbit Show at 9:00 am, Market Rabbit Show will follow.

- Rabbit project stalling is OPTIONAL, you may haul-in and out for your shows.
- Rabbit cages are available on a first come, first serve basis.
- Rabbits must be present at time of stalling. You can not reserve / hold cages via locks or fellow exhibitors. If you want to stall together, arrive together.
- Locks and water bottles are required for ALL stalled rabbit projects.
- Do NOT enter mixed breed rabbits in the All-Other Breeds Lot. All Other Breeds are for purebred breeds that do not have a specific lot to show under.
- You can only enter 6 lots in the Rabbit division. Plan ahead when selecting your breeding and market projects. Pen of 3 is considered one lot, not 3 lots.

ALL EXHIBITORS MUST CARE FOR AND CLEAN UP AFTER THEIR RABBITS DURING AND AFTER THE FAIR!!

Hartford Independent Fair

Bred and Raised Market Rabbit

Entry Lots:

Lot 3 Bred and Raised Single Fryer

Lot 4 Bred and Raised Meat Pen of 3

Bred and Raised Market Rabbit Rules

1. The Single Fryer or Meat Pen Rabbit(s) shown in Lot 3 or Lot 4 are NOT permitted to enter in Lot 1 or Lot 2.
2. All participants must submit a Rabbit ID Form by the first Saturday in May to register the mother doe of the kits to be eligible to exhibit at the Hartford Independent Fair in the Bred and Raised Market division. The ID Form must be completely filled out and returned with requested photos.
3. All Bred and Raised market projects must be bred, owned and raised by the exhibitor noted on the ID Form of the doe.
4. Siblings from the same family are permitted to submit a Rabbit ID Form for the same doe. Any additional doe sharing requests are at the discretion of the Hartford Fair Committee Chair.
5. At the July registration and tattooing, both the doe and litter will need to be present. A letter or number from the mother doe will need to be part of the tattoo combination of the kit to be registered and exhibited.
6. The top 5 rabbits of lot 3 and 4 will receive ribbons for placing in their respective lot.
7. ONLY 1st place rabbits of Lot 3 and Lot 4 will compete against the 1st place rabbits from Lot 1 and Lot 2 in the championship round for the selection of the Overall Grand and Reserve Champion in their respective division.
8. There will NOT be separate Grand and Reserve Champions for Lot 3 and Lot 4.

Hartford Independent Fair

Bred and Raised Market Doe ID Form

Please return this form with attached photos by **May 7, 2023**, to
The Hartford Independent Fairgrounds.
14028 Fairgrounds Rd NW, Croton OH 43013

This form must be signed by the exhibitor and parent.

Name: _____ Age (as of January 1st): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

4-H Club or FFA Chapter: _____

_____ Number of does identified for Bred and Raised Market class with attached photos

Photo and Doe designation rules: All Rabbits are identified by their markings and legible tattoo. The exhibitor must attach photos of the rabbit only as outlined; left and right side profile photo and a close photo showing a clear picture of the legible tattoo in the ear of the rabbit. Please affix the photos or print them together on one sheet of 8.5 X 11 sheet of paper. Designate at the top of the paper Doe #1, Doe #2, etc. and their Tattoo number. **Attach photos to this sheet and mail together to the fair office by May 7, 2023, for each exhibitor.**

Tattoo / Registration of Litter: Exhibitors are permitted register as many does as they wish. The Doe and litter are to be brought to registration and tattooing the 2nd Saturday in July. At the July registration; rabbits to be shown from the litter in the Bred and Raised classes, will be designated with a tattoo combination incorporating a letter or number from the mother's tattoo.

Please read the additional rules under the Department 114 - Rabbit in the Hartford Fair Premium Book.

IF REQUESTED PHOTOS AND ID FORM REGISTERING THE DOE(s) IS NOT RECEIVED BY MAY 7, 2023, THE DOE AND LITTER ARE INELIGIBLE FOR THE BRED AND RAISED CLASSES.

Signature of Exhibitor: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Rabbit Registration Form

Exhibitor's Name: _____

Exhibitor's Parent Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

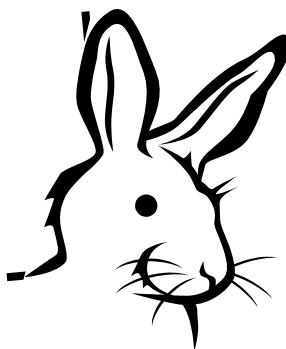
4-H Club: _____ 4-H Advisor: _____

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Youth Rabbit and Poultry Clinic & Fun Show

Saturday, June 10, 2023

Hartford Independent Fairgrounds
Hondros Family Beef Barn



Entry Fee:
\$1.00 each animal
(no limit)

Barn Opens: 8:00 a.m.
Show Registration: 8:30-9:30 a.m.
Showmanship Clinic: 9:00 a.m.
Show: 10:30 a.m.

Show Rules

- Youth at least 8 years old and in the third grade through 18 years old (as of 1/1/2023) may participate, regardless of 4-H membership.
- Purebred and mixed-breed rabbits and poultry may be entered.
 - Each breed of rabbit will be shown in four divisions: Sr Buck, Jr Buck, Sr Doe and Jr Doe
 - A breed will require at least five rabbits to be separated as a breed.*
 - Poultry Classes: Commercial and Fancy (NO MEAT).
- Entries are not limited.
- Entries are made the day of the show.
- Rabbits and Poultry must be in carrying cages with leak proof bottoms.
- A "free" raffle ticket will be given for every five entries entered under the same exhibitor.
- The Rabbit & Poultry Committee and the Hartford Independent Fair Board will not be responsible in the case of fire, theft, or accident; however, precautions will be taken to avoid any mishap.
- Youth must bring their own entry to the table.

Buckeye Bunny Supply will be onsite.

You can place orders in advance at <https://www.buckeyebunnysupply.com/>

Awards!

Rabbit:

Best of Show - Trophy
Best of Breed (must be 5 in a class) - Plaques or Rosettes
1st - 3rd Place in each class - Ribbons

Poultry:

Best of Show - Trophy
Best Fancy & Best of Commercial (must be 5 in a class) - Plaques or Rosettes
1st - 3rd Place in each class - Ribbons

Raffle Proceeds

will benefit
Rabbit and Poultry
youth events held at the
Hartford Independent
Fair.

For more information, please contact:

Sonia or Alisha Tilley: (740) 745-3380 (General / Rabbit information)

John DeSaavedra: (740) 927-0548 (Poultry information)

Help Wanted

The Licking County 4-H Rabbit and Poultry Committee Needs Your Help!

Who are we?

We are a group of dedicated volunteers who advise and assist the Senior Fair Board with matters pertaining to the rabbit and poultry shows at the Hartford Fair, as well as supporting related activities. We need more volunteers to help share this important work.

Rabbit and Poultry Committee responsibilities:

- ~ Conduct banding, tattooing, and pullorum testing.
- ~ Organize and conduct the rabbit and poultry royalty contests.
- ~ Assist with the weigh-ins and shows as needed.
- ~ Organize Rabbit and Poultry Fun Show and educational clinics.
- ~ Organize a fundraising raffle at the Fun Show and clinic.
- ~ Conduct Skillathon and project interviews during the fair.
- ~ Participate in work days at the barn.
- ~ Assist with coop-in and caging at the fair.
- ~ Review and recommend fair book revisions to the Fair Board as needed.
- ~ Provide buyer hospitality at the small animal auction.

We meet on the last Tuesday of each month, January through September, 7:00pm at the Extension Office. If you wish to serve with us, please contact John deSaavedra, or any committee member, and you can be placed on our email reminder list. Text or call 740-739-0391 or email jdesaave@columbus.rr.com.



Rabbit Basics for the Beginner

Contributing Authors: Jeff Dick, David Mangione, Barbara Parker Phares, and Travis West Extension Educators, Ohio State University Extension

Introduction–Core Purpose and Learning Objectives

Rabbits are a popular project for younger 4-H members or those members who do not have the facilities or space for a larger animal species. Basic background information about raising and caring for rabbits will assist in making your endeavor into rabbit ownership a success.

Core Purpose:

To gain an understanding of the general information needed to raise a rabbit.

Learning Objectives:

- a. Effective selection of a rabbit project animal
- b. Determine appropriate housing for a rabbit
- c. Ensure proper animal care for your rabbit
- d. Provide proper health and nutrition for your rabbit

Selection

Selecting a breed of rabbit can be a huge challenge for first-time rabbit owners. There are currently 48 breeds of rabbits recognized by the American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA). As a 4-H member, you should familiarize and research several breeds to determine those meeting the criteria you have for your rabbit project. There are market fryers, breeding rabbits, or companion pet rabbits. The goals you have for your rabbit project have a large effect on the breed you choose to purchase. If you are interested in exhibiting breeding rabbits or raising rabbits, it is important to have a copy of the Standard of Perfection for your breed. This publication describes the ideal rabbit for each recognized breed, and is the standard by which judges compare rabbits of the same breed against

one another. If you are raising rabbits, you need to understand the process of culling.

Culling is removing a rabbit from the herd because of inferior production, inferior quality when compared to the Standard, or possessing specific disqualifications. Your criteria for culling might be different depending on whether you are focusing on breeding, pet, or market projects.

Market rabbits should be of a commercial breed and fall into one of the following three categories:

- Fryers: 3½–5 pounds (8–10 weeks of age)
- Roasters: 5–8 pounds (not over 5 months)
- Stewers: over 8 pounds (over 5 months)

Make sure you understand the requirements of your fair for exhibition of your market rabbit project. Some projects will require you to have one to three rabbits as part of your project. If your project includes more than one market rabbit paired with another, then you want to find two or three rabbits that are identical in type. Rabbits in the fryer and roaster categories can be expected to gain approximately 7 ounces per day if provided adequate feed and water on a daily basis. Weighing your market rabbits is important to make sure you are on track to obtain the desired weight at the end of your project.

Housing (Environment)

Housing can be evaluated with a few factors: ventilation, size, material, temperature, and protection. Ventilation is the process of moving air above and below the cage to decrease temperature and ammonia odor,



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which can be damaging to a rabbit's respiratory system. This can be accomplished naturally or mechanically, but you must ensure that direct drafts are not imposed on the rabbits. The ideal temperature for an adult rabbit's environment is 45–70° Fahrenheit.

Housing for rabbits can be maintained either inside or outside a physical structure. Outside facilities require that the rabbits be protected from the weather and predators. Inside housing provides more control of the environment, including better biosecurity, but comes with more expense and more ventilation challenges. It is necessary for you to determine the housing plan that fits the current situation you have at home.

Cage size is detailed in the Animal Welfare section in this fact sheet and gives the specific recommendations for the size of rabbit and its use. There are numerous materials that can be utilized to build rabbit cages; however, remember that rabbits are gnawers, meaning they will eat building materials. The material used will depend on whether you have an inside wire cage or an outside cage. The outside cage typically includes (three) plywood or pressed board (sidewalls) and roof to provide necessary protection for the rabbits. Inside cages will usually be constructed from galvanized welded wire.

General Care and Management

Nutrition

Consideration for appropriate nutrition depends upon the stage of production, added supplements, environmental temperature, quality of pellets, and access to water. Crude protein (CP) is the major nutrient we assess because the fiber is fairly consistent in most commercially produced rabbit pellets. Crude protein feed recommendations are 16–18% for growing market rabbits; 14–16% for maintaining body weight on mature rabbits (non-breeding stock); and 16–18% for stock in active breeding.

The most important nutrient you can provide your rabbit is water. Access to fresh, clean

water is necessary for rabbits to maintain proper growth rate and body condition. Fresh, clean water is a must during the summer months, because rabbits do not tolerate heat well and depend on water to cool their bodies. Many people insist on feeding supplements to their rabbits. Commercially produced rabbit pellets provide a complete diet for rabbits. When you add supplements on a daily basis, you are altering the balanced diet provided by the pellets. Supplements should be used carefully or used as an occasional treat for your rabbits in order to minimize their effect on the balanced diet.

Rabbits are unique in the fact that they are susceptible to digestive disturbances. To lower this susceptibility, they use a process called cecotrophy to maintain balance in their digestive system. Cecotrophy is the process of ingesting feces, typically done at night. The ingestion of the soft feces, or cecotropes, increases protein digestibility and energy digestion for the rabbit.

Health/Vaccinations

Rabbits are typically low-maintenance animals when it comes to health and vaccinations. There are no vaccinations that are recommended for rabbits, and just a few medications that are actually labeled for use on rabbits. Healthy rabbits have a normal temperature range of 101.3–104.0° Fahrenheit, a resting heart rate of 180–250 beats/minute, and a constantly moving nose. Most veterinarians do not have much experience with treating rabbits. This requires you as the owner to become familiar with signs of common diseases and ailments. Your observation will be integral for maintaining health among your rabbits on a daily basis. The Rabbit Resource Handbook provides more in-depth details on certain diseases and ailments: lice and mites (mange), enteritis, coccidiosis, worms, abscesses, URI—Upper Respiratory Disease, wry neck, vent disease, and pasteurella. If you think your rabbit needs medication, consult your veterinarian to determine the appropriate medication and

dosage level.

Rabbits have a sympathetic nervous system, which is primarily responsible for stimulating the body's flight-or-fight response. This creates a real challenge in determining the correct dosage of medication needed for a sick rabbit. Providing too much medication (overdosing) is toxic. Underdosing, or giving too little medication, is ineffective at treating the condition. There are four administration routes that can be utilized in rabbits. They include oral, subcutaneous (nape of neck), intravenous (veins in feet), and intramuscular (hind leg or back muscle). ARBA has a Rabbit and Cavy Health Committee that can field questions about doctoring rabbits.

Animal Welfare

Pen and Cage Size

The size of the cage should be determined by the size and function of the rabbit. A common rule of thumb is that a cage should be 0.75 square feet of floor space (9" x 9") per pound of mature body weight. For example, a rabbit that should reach 11 pounds as an adult should have a cage 30" x 30" (9" x 9" x 11 lbs = 891"). The cage height should be high enough that in no way should the rabbit's ears rub on the top of the cage when the rabbit is moving and the ears are erect. Additional floor space should be provided for does that are going to be producing babies or multiple animals in a single space. The size of the door should be of adequate size to properly remove your rabbit from the cage. Cages should be constructed with fourteen or sixteen gauge welded wire. A 1" x 1" or 1" x 2" wire (size of squares) should be used for the outside and top of the cages. Wooden floors (hutches) or ½" x 1" welded wire should be used for the bottom of the cages. "J" clips or "C" rings should be used to fasten wire to wire, and fence staples should be used to fasten wire to wooden frames.

Handling

Rabbits are light-boned animals. Because of this, improper handling can easily injure a rabbit. Rabbits should be handled from a

young age, after weaning, and handled often. Never pick up a rabbit by its ears, by the skin on the back, or by the scruff of the neck. Doing so can injure the rabbit and damage flesh condition. The proper way to pick up a rabbit is demonstrated in the Rabbit Resource Handbook. Rabbits are easily frightened and may react differently in an unfamiliar situation. A very tame rabbit at home may become stressed and frightened at a show. Never place the rabbit near your face! A rabbit's toenails can scratch deeply.

Transportation

Rabbits should travel in cages specifically designed for them. Purchase a rabbit carrier that is the correct size for the age and breed of your rabbit. Do not transport a rabbit in a box! A rabbit can become overheated easily and die quickly as a result. Hot weather conditions can be dangerous for a rabbit. It is best to place rabbits in an air-conditioned vehicle for transport. If this is not possible, keep windows rolled down and air circulating. For long-distance travel, rabbits should be in carriers and covered with large sheets of cardboard or similar items to block the sunlight. A thin sheet of foam placed under the cages will help cushion the ride, keeps cages from slipping or tipping, and protects the car's interior. Place an absorbent, generous quantity of bedding or a canine house-training pad in the bottom of the carrier tray to help absorb any wastes or spilled water. Secure water and feed pans inside the carrier. There are specially designed pans for carrier use. To avoid spillage, provide only a small amount of water during transport. Most rabbits will not eat or drink during a ride. If stopping, be certain to keep the vehicle cool. Park in a shaded area or keep the car's air conditioning operating. If cool outside, roll down windows. Handling rabbits during transport can heighten stress resulting in increased body temperature. Secure cage doors with zip ties. Carry your own water from home as changing water sources can upset the rabbit's digestion. Watering the rabbit through the carrier is

easily accomplished by using a houseplant watering can with a narrow spout. If taking several rabbits on a journey, invest in a wheeled cart on which the carriers fit easily. Many types of these carts are available.

Resources/Links

American Rabbit Breeders Association:
arba.net

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Over-the-Counter Antibiotics Will Require Veterinary Oversight (Rx) Beginning in June of 2023

By June of 2023, all medically important antibiotics currently available at most feed or farm supply stores will now require veterinary oversight (written Rx) to be used in animals, even if the animals are not intended for food production. Examples of [affected antibiotics](#) include injectable penicillin and oxytetracycline. In addition, some retail suppliers who were able to sell these drugs/products in the past may no longer sell them after June of 2023. *This means that small and large animal veterinarians should be prepared for an increase in calls and visits from animal owners who previously may have purchased these drugs over the counter at their local farm supply store.* To continue using medically important antimicrobials, you may need to establish a veterinarian-client-patient relationship (VCPR). Consult your veterinarian for more information.

What is a veterinarian-client-patient-relationship?

A [veterinarian-client-patient-relationship \(VCPR\)](#) is defined by the American Veterinary Medical Association as the basis for interaction among veterinarians, their clients, and their patients and is critical to the health of your animal(s). The practical explanation is that it is a formal relationship that you have with a veterinarian who serves as your primary contact for all veterinary services and is familiar with you, your livestock/animals, and your farm operation. This veterinarian is referred to as your Veterinarian of Record (VoR), and both the VoR and the client should sign a form to document this relationship.

What species are included?

From companion dogs and cats to backyard poultry, and from rabbits and show pigs to large livestock farms. The same restrictions will apply to all companion and farm animal species.

How do your health protocols measure up?

Health protocols are customized for individuals and farm-specific, and practicing veterinarians are often asked to develop and write protocols for individual farms, particularly health protocols. Injectable antimicrobials alone will not work as intended if animals are experiencing pain (drop feed and water intake) and/or dehydration. OSU Veterinary Extension is available to review your health protocols, but must be submitted by a practicing veterinarian to Dr. Gustavo Schuenemann at schuenemann.5@osu.edu.



2023 HARTFORD FAIR

4-H & FFA PROJECT SKILLATHON & INTERVIEW JUDGING SCHEDULE

4-H Beef Projects...

Contest: Sunday, August 6 @ 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Beef Barn/Grubb Arena)
Awards: Tuesday, August 8 - Market Steer Show (Grubb Arena)

4-H Dairy Cattle Projects...

Contest: Monday, August 7 @ 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. (Grubb Arena)
Awards: Tuesday, August 8 - Junior Dairy Show (Grubb Arena)

4-H Dairy Feeder Projects...

Contest: Monday, August 7 @ 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. (Grubb Arena)
Awards: Wednesday, August 9 - Dairy Feeder Show (Grubb Arena)

4-H Goat Projects...

Contest: Wednesday, August 9 @ 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. (4-H Center)
Awards: Saturday, August 12 @ 9:00 a.m. (Grubb Arena)

4-H Horse Projects...

Contest: Sunday, August 6 @ 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. (Horse Complex)
(skillathon only—project interviews held 8:00 a.m. daily)
Awards: Wednesday, August 9

4-H Poultry Projects...

Contest: Tuesday, August 8 @ 10:00 a.m. (Rabbit & Poultry Barn)
Awards: Saturday, August 12 @ 9:00 a.m. (Grubb Arena)

4-H Rabbit Projects...

Contest: Wednesday, August 9 @ 10:00 a.m. (Rabbit & Poultry Barn)
Awards: Saturday, August 12 @ 9:00 a.m. (Grubb Arena)

4-H Sheep Projects...

Contest: Sunday, August 6 @ 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. (4-H Center)
Awards: Wednesday, August 10 just prior to beginning of Market Lamb Show (Grubb Arena)

4-H Swine Projects...

Contest: Sunday, August 6 @ 11:00 a.m. (Swine Barn West Entrance)
Awards: Tuesday, August 8 @ Market Hog Show (Swine Barn Arena)

Members should plan to bring completed project books with them to the skillathon contest. While a member's project book may not be required in order to participate in skillathon contests, it does account for a substantial amount of points. Awards are presented for (1) skillathon performance, (2) personal interview score, and (3) project book score for completion.

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Any necessary changes to this schedule will be announced / posted during the Hartford Fair.

DRUG USE NOTIFICATION FORM (DUNF)

Sections 1 through 9 must be completed prior to show

EXHIBITION / FAIR NAME: _____ 2 DIGIT FAIR CODE _____

PRINT CLEARLY

1. EXHIBITOR/OWNER NAME _____

2. MAILING ADDRESS _____

Street, P.O. Box Number _____

EXHIBITOR
PHONE (____) _____

City, State, Zip _____

3. ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION
NUMBER (Tag, Tattoo #, Legband)

4. ANIMAL SPECIES [CIRCLE ONE]
CATTLE HOGS SHEEP GOATS
OTHER (Specify) _____

5. ANIMAL DESCRIPTION
(BREED, SEX, COLOR, ETC.)

6. I AM A JUNIOR FAIR MARKET LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR AND I HAVE ATTENDED OR COMPLETED A QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM DURING THE LAST 12 MONTHS OR I HAVE TESTED OUT OF A PROGRAM WITHIN MY AGE BRACKET.

YES ☐

NO ☐

7. ☐ I CERTIFY THE ABOVE ANIMAL TO BE FREE OF MEDICATION.

▲
IF YOU HAVE CHECKED THIS BOX, SIGN BELOW AND DO NOT COMPLETE THE TREATMENT CHART.

☐ THE ABOVE ANIMAL HAS BEEN TREATED WITH MEDICATION FOR WHICH THE WITHDRAWAL PERIOD HAS NOT ELAPSED.

Complete the treatment chart below ▼

TREATMENT DATE	CONDITION BEING TREATED	TREATMENT GIVEN				DATE WITHDRAWAL COMPLETE
		MEDICATION GIVEN (NAME OF MEDICATION)	AMOUNT (DOSE)	ROUTE (IM, IV, SQ, Oral)	INSTRUCTED WITHDRAWAL TIME (# DAYS)	

IF THIS IS AN EXTRA LABEL OR Rx DRUG, A VETERINARIAN MUST HAVE PRESCRIBED THE MEDICATION.
LIST THE LICENSED VETERINARIAN'S NAME AND ADDRESS WHO PRESCRIBED OR DIRECTED THE TREATMENT:

VETERINARIAN NAME _____ STREET, P.O. BOX NUMBER _____ CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

8. EXHIBITOR/OWNER SIGNATURE _____ AGE: _____ DATE _____

9. PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
(REQUIRED IF EXHIBITOR IS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE)

DISTRIBUTION by Records Official:
AGR DUNF (REV. 1/11)

WHITE FORM: REVIEW UPON COLLECTION AND IMMEDIATELY FORWARD TO ODA
YELLOW FORM: TO BE RETAINED BY THE DESIGNATED RECORDS OFFICIAL FOR ONE YEAR
PINK FORM: TO BE GIVEN TO THE OWNER/EXHIBITOR

CHAMPIONS WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A NEW DUNF TO BE SUBMITTED WITH URINE/HAIR SAMPLES TO THE TESTING LABORATORY

General Preventive Health Recommendations for Animals Exhibited at the Hartford Independent Fair

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Mount Vernon Animal Hospital – (740) 397.6958

It is encouraged that all participants have a current relationship with their veterinarian in order to foster the best preventive health care plan for their animals.

Please note: If your animal is under medical treatment at the fair, treatment must be overseen by the official Fair Veterinarian. Please report to the Veterinarian or the Fair Director to ensure compliance with tampering laws and exhibition rules.

Vaccination and internal parasite control must be administered at least 30 days prior to the start of the Fair.

Special Note to Market Animals: **All medications and vaccinations should be given under the guidance of a licensed veterinarian. All meat residues (withdrawal times) must be expired prior to exhibition. Consult your veterinarian for specific protocol recommendations and keep records of medication and dosages. These guidelines are to help protect the animals travelling into and out of the fairgrounds and to comply with residue avoidance guidelines.

Beef Cattle:

1. Vaccines: IBR, BRSV, BVD, PI3, Leptospirosis, Clostridial diseases(7) including Tetanus
2. Internal Parasite Control: On a preventive internal parasite protocol.**
3. External Parasite Control: Free of infectious external parasites and infections such as Lice, Mites, and Ringworm.

Dairy Cattle (including Dairy Feeder Calves):

1. Vaccines: IBR, BRSV, BVD, PI3, Leptospirosis, Clostridial diseases(7) including Tetanus
 - a. **Dairy Feeder Calves: Given at vaccination clinic as required (1st Saturday in June)
2. Internal Parasite Control: On a preventive internal parasite protocol.**
3. External Parasite Control: Free of infections external parasites and infections such as Lice, Mites, and Ringworm.
4. It is recommended that dairy heifers be dehorned prior to June 15th in order to allow complete healing prior to exhibition at the fair. (dehorning is not required of junior and intermediate heifers)

Goats:

1. Vaccines: Clostridium types C&D and Tetanus
2. Internal Parasite Control: On a preventive internal parasite protocol.**
3. External Parasite Control: Free of infections external parasites and infections such as Lice, Mites, and Ringworm.

Poultry:

1. Vaccines: Vary depending upon management protocol. Consult your veterinarian.
2. Internal Parasite Control: On a preventive internal parasite protocol.**
3. External Parasite Control: Free of infections external parasites and infections such as Lice, Mites, and Ringworm.

Rabbits:

1. Internal Parasite Control: On a preventive internal parasite protocol.**
2. External Parasite Control: Free of infections external parasites and infections such as Lice, Mites, and Ringworm.

Sheep:

1. Vaccines: Clostridium types C& D and Tetanus
2. Internal Parasite Control: On a preventive internal parasite protocol.**
3. External Parasite Control: Free of infectious external parasites and infections such as Lice, Mites, and Ringworm.

Swine:

1. Vaccines: Mycoplasma, Influenza, Erysipelas, Circovirus
2. Internal Parasite Control: On a preventive internal parasite protocol.**
3. External Parasite Control: Free of infectious external parasites and infections such as Lice, Mites, and Ringworm.

Equine – Horse / Pony:

1. Vaccines: West Nile Virus, Eastern Equine Encephalitis, Western Equine Encephalitis, Tetanus, Rhinopneumonitis (EHV 4/1), Equine Influenza, Rabies.
 - a. *These vaccines are required per fair rules.*
2. Internal Parasite Control: De-worming is individualized per horse/per stable environment. It is recommended that your horse maintain a Fecal Egg Count of < 200 epg. Consult your veterinarian for the best protocol for your individual horse.
3. External Parasite Control: Horses should be free of all infectious external parasites and infections such as Lice, Mites, and Ringworm.
4. Body Condition Score of $\geq 4/9$.

Canine:

1. Vaccines: Current Rabies, Distemper, Hepatitis (Adenovirus), Parvovirus, Parainfluenza, 4 way Leptospirosis, and Bordatella (Kennel Cough)
 - a. *These vaccines are required per fair rules.*
 - b. *Veterinarian's Certificate posted at www.licking.osu.edu > 4-H Youth Development > Member Resources*
2. Internal Parasite Control: Monthly heartworm and internal parasite control consistent with your veterinarian's recommendations for your dog.
3. External Parasite Control: Monthly prevention for fleas and ticks as well as free of all infectious external parasites and infections such as Lice, Mites, and Ringworm.
4. Body Condition Score of 2.5/5 minimum.