

## DEPARTMENT 8 - POULTRY

Mail all Livestock entries to Jefferson County Fair  
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1354 Pike Road, Punxsutawney, PA 15767  
or Scan and e-mail to [tojamb@comcast.net](mailto:tojamb@comcast.net)

Entries Due June 15, 2014

NOTE: By action of the board of directors of the Jefferson County Fair Authority dated March 2, 2005, "the rules of all livestock departments will correspond with the wording provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture."

These rules may be found on the Internet at

[http://www.agriculture.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS\\_0\\_2\\_24476\\_10297\\_0\\_43/agwebsite/Files/Publications/FairAnimalHealthRequirements.pdf](http://www.agriculture.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS_0_2_24476_10297_0_43/agwebsite/Files/Publications/FairAnimalHealthRequirements.pdf)

### **Section 12: Pennsylvania Poultry, Waterfowl, Upland Game Birds, Ratites, and Pigeons: Requirements:**

1. All Pennsylvania poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and pigeons entering an exhibition must bear a unique individual identification leg band (official state-issued leg bands are not required). Ratites must be identified with a neck band or an electronic implant device (the exhibitor must supply a reader).
2. An owner-endorsed health certificate must accompany all Pennsylvania poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, ratites, and pigeons, and must include the following:
  - Name and location of exhibition; and
  - Name, address, and telephone number of the owner; and
  - A statement that their entries and their flock of origin are free of evidence of contagious diseases; and
  - Owner signature and date of that signature.
3. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases.
4. Avian Influenza Clean Testing and Verification (all samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian).
  - All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites, (***pigeons excluded***) for exhibition must originate from a flock in good standing in the Pennsylvania Avian Influenza Monitored Flock program, or from a flock in good standing in the NPIP Avian Influenza Clean program (the flock must be on NPIP-it is not considered to be a clean flock if only coming from a clean breeder flock), and the birds must be accompanied by the most recent negative test report (copy acceptable). The NPIP or AI Mon. flock number must be noted on the report;

**OR**

- The birds must originate from a flock in which a minimum of 30 birds, 3 weeks of age or older, were tested negative for avian influenza within the 6 months prior to opening date of the exhibition and the birds must be accompanied by the negative test report (copy acceptable). If there are fewer than 30 birds in the flock, test all birds. ***For ducks and geese, cloacal swab***

***samples must be collected for testing, and the swabs may be tested using virus isolation (ducks and geese) or PCR (ducks only) techniques.***

5. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Testing and Verification (***pigeons and waterfowl excluded***). (All samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian.
  - All poultry, upland game birds, and ratites (***pigeons and waterfowl excluded***) must originate from a flock in good standing in the NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Program or from a flock in good standing in the PA Pullorum Equivalent Program and the birds must be accompanied by the most recent negative test report (copy acceptable). The NPIP number must be noted on the report for NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flocks. If bird-side testing was done, the 9-2 or state equivalent form must accompany the birds (copy acceptable);

**OR**

- Individual birds (***pigeons and waterfowl excluded***) for exhibition must have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within the 90 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition. The birds must be accompanied by the negative test report (copy acceptable). The following age restrictions apply to comply with NPIP standards:
  - Chickens shall be tested at 4 months of age or older.
  - Turkeys shall be tested at 12 weeks of age or older.
  - Game birds shall be tested at 4 months of age or older, or upon sexual maturity, whichever comes first.
  - Ratites shall be tested at 12 months of age or older.
  - All birds not meeting these age restrictions are exempt from pullorum testing requirements.

**Section 13: Out of State Poultry, Waterfowl, Upland Game Birds, Ratites, and Pigeons: Requirements:**

1. All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and pigeons entering an exhibition must bear an individual identification leg band. Ratites must be identified with a neck band or an electronic implant device (the exhibitor must supply a reader).
2. An owner-endorsed health certificate must accompany all out of state poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, ratites, and pigeons, and must include the following:
  - Name and location of exhibition; and
  - Name, address, and telephone number of the owner; and
  - A statement that their entries and their flock of origin are free of evidence of contagious diseases; and
  - Owner signature and date of that signature.
3. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases.
4. Avian Influenza Clean Testing and Verification (all samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian. Poultry,

waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites (**pigeons excluded**) shall only be allowed into the Commonwealth and the exhibition after meeting one of the following requirements: ▪ The birds originate from a flock in good standing in the NPIP Avian Influenza Clean program (the flock must be on NPIP-it is not considered to be a clean flock if only coming from a clean breeder flock), and the shipment is accompanied by a USDA form 9-3 or equivalent Department-approved form;

**OR**

- The birds originate from a flock that participates in an equivalent avian influenza monitoring program and the shipment is accompanied by a document from the state, nation, or province of origin indicating participation;

**OR**

- The birds originate from a flock in which a minimum of 30 birds, 3 weeks of age or older, were tested negative for avian influenza within the 30 days prior to opening date of the exhibition and the birds must be accompanied by the negative test report (copy acceptable). If there are fewer than 30 birds in the flock, test all birds. **For ducks and geese, cloacal swab samples must be collected for testing, and the swabs may be tested using virus isolation (ducks and geese) or PCR (ducks only) techniques.**

5. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Testing and Verification (**pigeons and waterfowl excluded**). (All samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian): ▪ All poultry, upland game birds, and ratites (**pigeons and waterfowl excluded**) must come from NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flocks and the birds must be accompanied by a USDA form 9-3 or equivalent Department-approved form

**OR**

- Individual birds (**pigeons and waterfowl excluded**) for exhibition must have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within the 90 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition. The birds must be accompanied by the negative test report (copy acceptable). If bird-side testing was done, the 9-2 form must accompany the birds (copy acceptable). The following age restrictions apply to comply with NPIP standards: • Chickens shall be tested at 4 months of age or older.
- Turkeys shall be tested at 12 weeks of age or older.
- Game birds shall be tested at 4 months of age or older, or upon sexual maturity, whichever comes first.
- Ratites shall be tested at 12 months of age or older.
- All birds not meeting these age restrictions must come from a flock in which all of the birds in the flock have been test negative within the 90 days prior to the exhibition.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 1 Entries will be received until such time as the cooping capacity is reached. Entry fee, \$1.00 per bird. Non-refundable. Checks made out to Jefferson County Fair. **NO MORE THAN 2 ENTRIES PER SECTION/PER CATEGORY AND NO MORE THAN 100 BIRDS FROM ONE FAMILY, FARM UNIT AND/OR ADDRESS ACCEPTED.**
- 2 Only properly entered specimens and specimens listed under the conditions of the Fair's premium book will be accepted.
- 3 Efforts will be made to coop singly. Right is reserved to place in one coop more than one bird of the same variety if owned by the same exhibitor.
- 4 The "American Standard of Perfection" of the American Poultry Association and the "Bantam Standard" of the American Bantam Association will govern poultry judging.
- 5 A bird can only compete for one prize, except as provided for in special awards.
- 6 A judge shall not officiate in a class where he has an entry. Collusion between a judge and exhibitor will exclude from competition and awards all entries of the offending exhibitor. Exhibitor's protest relative to such exclusion must be in writing.
- 7 Birds will be fed, watered and cared for by competent employees. It is suggested that owners check birds daily.
- 8 Exhibitors must furnish their own standard exhibition cages with solid floors.
- 9 Exhibitors must furnish a substantial water cup.
- 10 To make for a nicer display, no carrying crates are to be left on Fairgrounds during the Fair.
- 11 Ducks and geese will be shown outside.
- 12 Entered specimen must be bona fide property of exhibitor and have been HATCHED IN PENNSYLVANIA. All poultry must be separately cooped and clearly marked as to sex and class.
- 13 During the continuance of the show, all birds will be examined carefully each day. Birds showing signs of disease will be segregated and properly cared for or returned to the owner at his expense.
- 14 Substitutions will be permitted before closing date of the entries. No substitutions will be permitted after closing date of entries unless of the same breed, variety and sex.
- 15 Birds will be handled only by the judge or authorized fair official.
- 16 Premiums will be awarded only on animals or birds exhibited in their proper classes.
- 17 In the absence of a protest, which must be in writing, the decision of the judges will be final.
- 18 Premiums will be paid only on awards indicated by the judge's records.
- 19 Entries will be accepted and premiums paid only on breeds, varieties and colors listed under the conditions noted in the Fair's premium book.
- 20 The management reserves the right to reduce the number of entries from one party if the cooping facilities are exhausted.
- 21 Entries may be in all classes if they are listed in the official standards for chickens and bantams, even though they may not be included in the following general classifications.
- 22 Many fairs are paying showmen to bring showbirds into their fairs. The Fair Fund recognizes this as a nice place to see these birds; however, we reimburse only on OPEN COMPETION.

### **ENTRIES CLOSE JUNE 15 OF THIS YEAR**

Feed is to be provided by the exhibitor.

All poultry exhibits must be on the grounds and properly cooped by 12 Noon on Monday of Fair Week. Release time will be 10PM on Saturday of Fair Week. Cooping In will be from 1-5 on Sunday and 9-12 on Monday. Any exhibitor leaving birds in cages after 2 PM on Sunday will do so AT THEIR OWN RISK. Release time will be 10:00 PM on Saturday.

## GENERAL CLASSIFICATIONS

Premiums are as follows and apply to the respective classifications hereafter listed:

Bantams - cock, hen, cockerel and pullet  
Chicken - cock, hen, cockerel and pullet  
Ducks - old drake, old duck, young drake and young duck  
Geese - old gander, old goose, young gander and young goose  
Pea Fowl - pair  
Pheasants - pair  
Turkeys - old tom, old hen, young tom, young hen

PREMIUMS      \$4      \$3

**ALL BREEDS AND VARIETIES OF POULTRY WILL BE ACCEPTED IF  
OFFICIALLY LISTED IN THE BANTAM STANDARD OF PERFECTION.**