

DEPARTMENT 10.8 – 4-H and VOCATIONAL POULTRY JEFFERSON COUNTY 4-H OR BROCKWAY FFA ONLY

MAIL ALL 4-H and VOCATIONAL POULTRY ENTRIES TO

Jefferson County Fair
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Punxsutawney, PA 15767
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Entries due June 15, 2014

JEFFERSON COUNTY FAIR GENERAL RULES FOR POULTRY

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.”

Pennsylvania Poultry, Waterfowl, Upland Game Birds, Ratites, and Pigeons:

Requirements:

1. All Pennsylvania poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and pigeons/doves entering an exhibition must bear a unique individual identification leg band (official state-issued leg bands are required for pullorum-tested poultry). 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/doves, 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. **An Animal Owner or Caretaker’s Verification of Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR) statement for the animals being exhibited must be included on the fair registration form.**
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/doves 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 participating in the NPIP AI Clean program-it is not considered to be a clean flock if only originating from a clean breeder flock or hatchery), and the birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. 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 for avian influenza within the 6 months prior to opening date of the exhibition and the birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. 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 (domestic ducks only) techniques.*
5. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Testing and Verification (*pigeons/doves 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/doves 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 test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If the rapid whole-blood plate agglutination test was done, the most recent 9-2 or state equivalent form must accompany the birds (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If birds are less than one year of age and originate from an NPIP Clean hatchery, they do not have to be tested for pullorum if they are accompanied by a 9-3 form from that hatchery and any additions to the flock were also

from NPIP Clean sources. The NPIP number must be noted on the report for NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flocks;

OR

- All individual birds (*pigeons/doves and waterfowl excluded*) for exhibition (maximum of 300) must have had a pullorum-typhoid test within the 90 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition. The birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report or state equivalent form for the rapid test (copies acceptable). Test results must be negative. 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 at the time of sampling are exempt from pullorum testing requirements.

Out of State Poultry, Waterfowl, Upland Game Birds, Ratites, and Pigeons/doves:

Requirements:

1. All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and pigeons/doves entering an exhibition must bear an individual identification leg band (official state-issued leg bands are required for pullorum-tested poultry). 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/doves, 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. **An Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR) statement for the animals being exhibited must be included on the fair registration form.**
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/doves 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 participating in the NPIP AI Clean program-it is not considered to be a clean flock if only originating from a clean breeder flock or hatchery) 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 the date of importation and the birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. 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 (domestic ducks only) techniques.*

5. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Testing and Verification (*pigeons/doves 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/doves 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

- All individual birds (*pigeons/doves and waterfowl excluded*) for exhibition (maximum of 300) must have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within the 90 days prior to the date of importation. The birds must be accompanied by the most recent test report (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If the rapid whole-blood plate agglutination test was done, the most recent 9-2 form must accompany the birds (copy acceptable). Test results must be negative. If birds are less than one year of age and originate from an NPIP Clean hatchery, they do not have to be tested for pullorum if they are accompanied by a 9-3 form from that hatchery and any

additions to the flock were also from NPIP Clean sources. 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 at the time of sampling must come from a flock in which all of the eligible birds in the flock (up to 300) have been test negative within the 90 days prior to the date of importation.

General Rules:

1. Exhibitors of livestock must inform themselves as to when their stock will be judged. Stock must be in the ring promptly on call and a failure to comply with the order renders exhibitors liable to be disqualified.
2. Exhibitors must have all animals/birds listed for competition on the grounds not later than 10:00 AM on Sunday of Fair Week. All such animals/birds shall remain on the premises until Saturday at 10 p.m. unless released by Superintendent. Animals/birds sold at Livestock Sale on Thursday will be released at 7:00 AM on Saturday.
3. Entry fee is \$1 per bird. Checks payable to "Jefferson County Fair"
4. Animals/birds entered in Department 10.5 may not be entered in Department 5.
5. Entries must be on the grounds and penned by Sunday of Fair Week by 10:00 AM..
6. Release time will be set at 10:00 PM on Saturday evening. Animals/birds sold at Livestock Sale on Thursday will be released at 7:00 AM on Saturday.
7. All entry forms must be in the hands of the Superintendents on or before June 15. The entry fee of \$3 per head must accompany the entry form.
8. All exhibitors must furnish feed and bedding. Fresh bedding and cleaned animals/birds must be stalled by noon each day.
9. All exhibitors must wear show clothing.
10. The exhibitors will be expected to keep the space they occupy in a clean and sanitary condition and to remove all equipment promptly as the Superintendent may direct.
11. An individual animal may be shown as a market exhibit or a breeding exhibit, but the same individual animal may not be exhibited in both market and breeding classes.
12. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.
13. Any exhibitor and/or parent interfering with the judges while making awards shall forfeit any premium to which exhibitor would otherwise be entitled.
14. All animals/birds must remain until 10:00 PM on Saturday, July 19. (Market animals/birds sold on Thursday, July 17 may leave at 7:00 AM on Saturday, July 19) A poster and photo of market animals/birds is to be left over the pens.

**SECTION 10A – BREEDING CLASSES
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 \$5 \$4

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

**SECTION 10B – MARKET CLASSES
4-H & FFA POULTRY MEAT CLASSES**

Section 1

Market Chickens – Roasters (only one class – no division by breeds)

Premiums – 1st \$10 2nd 9.00 3rd \$8.00 4th 7.00 5th \$6.00

Meat Pen shall consist of 2 birds
 Each weighing a minimum of 6 pounds (6 to 10 weeks old)
 Acceptable Breeds/Variety
 Cornish Roaster – Cornish by Rock Cross
 Meat Type Breed

Section 2

Market Turkeys – (only one class – no division by breeds)

Premiums – 1st \$10 2nd 9.00 3rd \$8.00 4th 7.00 5th \$6.00

Meat Pen shall consist of 1 bird
 Hens weighing a minimum of 18 pounds (15-20 weeks old) and not over 35 pounds
 Toms weighing a minimum of 30 pounds (15-20 weeks old) and not over 50 pounds
 Acceptable Breeds/Variety
 Meat Type Breed

SECTION 10C -- SHOWMANSHIP AND FITTING

CLASS:

2476 Master SHOWMAN Award \$5 to each person who qualifies
 2477 Master FITTING Award \$5 to each person who qualifies

SECTION 10D - GOOD HOUSEKEEPING AWARDS

Livestock exhibitors who maintain the most attractive and sanitary exhibits will be eligible for special premiums.

All livestock exhibits will be scored on the following basis:

	<u>Points</u>	
Cleanliness of animals/birds.	15	15
Cleanliness of bedding	15	
Entry card & ribbons won properly displayed with animal.	20	
Keeping grain & hay feed presentable	10	
All equipment sanitary and neat	10	
Keeping aisles clean.	15	
Courtesy to people.	<u>15</u>	
	100	

Unannounced Inspections to be made daily. PRIZES . . . \$5 per day in each department.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

To be eligible for premiums and to sell in the Junior Livestock Auction, exhibitors must be a member of a regularly organized Jefferson County 4-H Club or FFA Chapter. To be eligible exhibitors must adhere to the same general rules as Department 10 and to the following:

ALL MARKET POULTRY EXHIBITORS and PARENTS MUST SIGN A DRUG USE NOTIFICATION FORM PRIOR TO THE FAIR

1. All birds being entered for the meat classes must be purchased by the designated date, and the same birds exhibited.
2. All exhibitors must attend a mandatory Quality Assurance class.
3. Exhibitors may only exhibit one species in the market class.
4. Exhibitors may only sell one pen of market poultry at the Junior Livestock Auction.
5. Exhibitors must prepare a poster advertising the Junior Livestock Auction, and turn in to club leader with fair entries.
6. Exhibitors must prepare and send letters to perspective buyers inviting them to the Junior Livestock Auction, a list of names and addresses must be turned in to club leader.
7. Exhibitors must complete project book requirements to sell in the Junior Livestock Auction.
8. All Market Class poultry will have a numbered identification band, which is in place prior to arriving at the fair.
9. All poultry projects must be clean, healthy and free from deformities. Any of the following faults will result in disqualification of the pen.
 - (a) Missing extremities (2 wings, 2 legs)
 - (b) Clipped wings
 - (c) Curly toes
 - (d) Bruising
 - (e) Parasites
10. The following items must be considered in a poultry meat pen:
 - (a) Meat Type
 - (b) Weight – finished weight of 6 to 16 pounds per bird (Market Chickens), finished weight of Market Turkeys Hens- 18 to 35 pounds and Toms 30 to 50 pounds
 - (c) Uniformity of birds
11. Market Chicken pens will consist of 2 birds, each weighing a minimum of 6 pounds.

Market Turkey pen will consist of 1 bird.
12. All birds must be in place by 10:00 a.m. on the Sunday start of the fair.
13. All market class birds will be weighed in using scales provided.
14. All Market poultry must adhere to withdrawal times on feed and medicine labels.
15. Drug Use Notification Form (DUNF) must be signed and turned in at weigh-in.
16. All poultry must be fed, watered and pens cleaned **by the exhibitor**.
17. All Market Poultry must be kept clean and marketable.
18. All Junior Fair Exhibitors must sign up and serve on barn duty. Remember the care of your Market Poultry is not the responsibility of those serving on barn duty.
19. Market poultry projects cannot be moved or released until Saturday after the auction.
20. Judges' placement will determine the sale order.
21. All Market Poultry must be sold at the Junior Livestock Auction.