

DEPARTMENT 8 - POULTRY

Mail all Livestock entries & Self-Address Stamped Envelope to Jefferson County Fair
c/o Janet Douthit, Chairperson
1354 Pike Road, Punxsutawney, PA 15767

Entries Due June 15, 2017

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 www.agriculture.pa.gov**

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

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 Veterinary Consultation Relationship statement for the animals being exhibited must be included on the fair registration form.
4. Poultry owners or caretakers should register the premises where their flocks are located with the Department. Call 717-836-3235 for premises registration.
5. 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 NPIP AI Clean program or the NPIP H5/H7 AI Clean program (the flock must be participating in the 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 flock number must be noted on the report;

OR

- **The birds must originate from a flock in which a random, representative sample of a minimum of 30 birds, 3 weeks of age or older, were tested for avian influenza within the 30 days 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.* Birds shall not be comingled with untested or AI-positive birds after negative samples have been collected and before the show.

6. 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, including 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 (and there was no break in the chain of ownership by NPIP participants) 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 Veterinary Consultation Relationship 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 or the NPIP H5/H7 AI Clean program (the flock must be participating in the 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 random, representative sample of 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.* Birds shall not be comingled with untested or AI-positive birds after negative samples have been collected and before the show.

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 in good standing with the program (and there was no break in the chain of ownership by NPIP participants) 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.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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.
- 13 All poultry must be separately cooped and clearly marked as to sex and class.
- 14 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.
- 15 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.
- 16 Birds will be handled only by the judge or authorized fair official.
- 17 Premiums will be awarded only on animals or birds exhibited in their proper classes.
- 18 In the absence of a protest, which must be in writing, the decision of the judges will be final.
- 19 Premiums will be paid only on awards indicated by the judge's records.
- 20 Entries will be accepted and premiums paid only on breeds, varieties and colors listed under the conditions noted in the Fair's premium book.
- 21 The management reserves the right to reduce the number of entries from one party if the cooping facilities are exhausted.
- 22 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.
- 23 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 OPEN poultry exhibits must be on the grounds and properly cooped by 12 Noon on Monday of Fair Week. Cooping In will be from 1-5 on Sunday and 9-12 on Monday

RELEASE TIME WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY FAIR AUTHORITY

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.

4-H and VOCATIONAL POULTRY

Exhibitors must be a member of a Jefferson County 4-H Club or Brockway & Clarion-Lime Stone FFA and meet all requirements of their club/chapter.

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. **RELEASE TIME WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY FAIR AUTHORITY**
3. Entry fee is \$1 per bird. One check per department. Checks payable to "Jefferson County Fair"
4. Animals/birds entered in 4-H or vocational classes may not be entered in Department 5 open classes.
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 7:00 a.m Sunday morning. Animals/birds sold at Livestock Sale on Thursday will be released at 7:00 AM on Sunday.
7. All entry forms must be in the hands of the Superintendents on or before June 15. The entry fee of \$1 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. **RELEASE TIME WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY FAIR AUTHORITY.**

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Chicken - cock, hen, cockerel and pullet

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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

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**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 20 pounds (15-20 weeks old) and not over 40 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

- 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
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