

DEPARTMENT 8 - RABBITS
Judging: Fair Week Thursday @ 9AM-Showmanship; Breed judging after the lunch break
Superintendent: Sarah Mueller & Heidi Cronin

REQUIREMENTS:

- Youth showing rabbits or cavies have the same requirements listed below.
- Exhibitors must attend 3 monthly rabbit department or project events/activities.
- Exhibitors must make a poster, on rabbits or cavies, to be eligible to show at the fair.
- Exhibitors must sign up for a barn shift, in the rabbit barn, for one of the days of fair. This should include the exhibitor and an adult parent or guardian, or adult family member. The shift is usually for two hours.
- Meat Animal Exhibitors must do an informational presentation at one of the Rabbit department or project meetings. The presentation must be in the same calendar year that they want to participate in the Meat Sale. The presentation does not have to be fancy; the presentation needs to contain good information about meat rabbits and be educational in nature, for the other members to listen to. The length of the presentation should be 5-10 minutes. Questions should be directed to the superintendent.
- Pen Fees - \$1.50 per animal, not per cage.
- Exhibitors must furnish their own feed, feed and water bowls and must care for their animals on a daily basis.

Qualified Animals:

- Only purebred rabbits recognized by the ARBA may be exhibited at the Sauk County Fair.
- Crossbred rabbits may not be exhibited at the Sauk County Fair, including all breed and meat classes.

Health and Other Rules:

- Youth are assigned cages for their rabbits and are expected to keep the cages in good condition throughout the entire fair.
- Rabbit and cavies cages should be cleaned by noon each day.
- Junior Fair rabbit department exhibitors are responsible for keeping their exhibits in appropriate fashion, a clean cage is important for the health and wellbeing of your rabbit or cavies.
- Each exhibitor is responsible for keeping water accessible to their animal at all times.
- Only one animal may be shown in each lot number.
- All rabbits must be presented to the judge by the Exhibitor or a superintendent approved substitute. Make arrangements with the rabbit department superintendent prior to the show if exhibitor cannot be present at the show time.

Terms used are defined as follows:

SIX – CLASS BREEDS

- Senior Buck – A male 8 months of age and over
- Senior Doe – A female 8 months of age and over
- 6/8 Buck – A male between 6-8 months of age
- 6/8 Doe – A female between 6-8 months of age
- Junior Buck – A male under 6 months of age
- Junior Doe – A female under 6 months of age

FOUR – CLASS BREEDS

- Senior Buck - A male 6 months of age and over.
- Senior Doe - A female 6 months of age and over.
- Junior Buck - A male under 6 months of age.
- Junior Doe - A female under 6 months of age.

CLASS 1 - BREEDS Premiums – 1st- \$2.00, 2nd- \$1.75, 3rd- \$1.50, 4th- \$1.25

Awards: Best of Breed for breeds with mre than 5 entries.

	Senior Buck	Senior Doe	6/8 Buck	6/8 Doe	Junior Buck	Junior Doe
Angora	1	2			3	4
Britannia Petite	5	6			7	8
Dutch	11	12			13	14
French Lop	15	16	17	18	19	20
Holland Lop	21	22			23	24
	Senior Buck	Senior Doe	6/8 Buck	6/8 Doe	Junior Buck	Junior Doe

Jersey Wooley	25	26			27	28
Mini Lop	29	30			31	32
Netherland Dwarf	33	34			35	36
Polish	37	38			39	40
Mini Rex	41	42			43	44
Silver Martin	45	46			47	48
Lionhead	51	52			53	54
Dwarf Hotot	55	56			57	58
Harlequin	59	60			61	62
Flemish Giant	63	64	65	66	67	68
Satin	69	70	71	72	73	74
New Zealand	75	76	77	78	79	80
Champagne D'Argent	81	82	83	84	85	86
All Other 6- Class	87	88	89	90	91	92
All Other 4 – Class	93	9			95	96
Cavies	97	98			99	100
Mini Satin	101	102			103	104
Californian	105	106	107	108	109	110
Havana	111	112	113	114	115	116
Beveren	117	118	119	120	121	122
Velveteen Lop	123	124			125	126
Trianta	127	128			129	130

COSTUME CLASS

Costume Class	Any rabbit or cavie that is registered and at the fair	131
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CLASS 2 – MEAT CLASSES Premiums – 1st- \$2.00, 2nd- \$1.75, 3rd- \$1.50, 4th- \$1.25

Awards: Trophy for best animal in each

- Meat classes are eligible for the Live Market Animal Sale (100, 101, & 102 lots)
- To be eligible for the Live Market Animal Sale exhibitors must follow the rules within the rabbit department as well as the rules outlined in the Live Market Animal Sale Section
- Exhibitors must participate in rabbit showmanship to participate in the Live Market Animal Sale
- Exhibitors must earn two points within the rabbit department/project

Meat Pen	To consist of 3 rabbits, commercial breed, all of the same breed and variety, not over 10 weeks old and each rabbit weighs 3 ½ to 5 ½ pounds. These rabbits may not be entered in any other classes.	100
Single Fryer	To consist of 1 single rabbit, not over 10 weeks old and at least 3 ½ pounds but not over 5 ½ pounds, of a commercial breed. This rabbit may not be entered into any other classes.	101
Roaster Rabbit	To consist of 1 single rabbit, either sex, under 6 months of age and over 5 ½ pounds in weight, maximum weight to be no more than 9 pounds. This rabbit may not be entered in any other classes.	102

CLASS 3 – SHOWMANSHIP

Premiums – 1st- \$3.00, 2nd- \$2.50, 3rd- \$2.00, 4th- \$1.50

Awards: Trophy to top showman each category

- Exhibitors may elect to participate in an older showmanship class

Showmanship	Description	
First Year Project Member	ANY AGE -First year in project, you MAY NOT enter in another showmanship class	103
Beginners	Grades 3-5	104
Intermediate	Grades 6-8	105
Senior	Grades 9+	106