

4-H RABBITS

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Rabbit Barn Set-Up: Sunday, August 8th, 1:00 – 4:00 pm.

This is a unique year for the Skagit County Fair and for the world. We know that plans can change very quickly and will change several times from the advertising of this book until the Fair. Prior to the Fair the expectations for safety of exhibitors and fair attendees will be distributed to exhibitors through email. We will attempt to get a thorough update out 4 weeks prior to the fair, with a note that changes are always a possibility up until Fair week in the COVID era.

Be sure to include an accurate email on Showworks to help us keep in contact with you as plans and expectations change. Exhibitors will be expected to follow state and local guidance as well as protocols the Fair and other supervising organization put forth while in attendance.

\$2.00 entry fee per animal. Exhibitors must complete pre-registration paperwork before entering in ShoWorks. See entry limits, instructions, and pre-registration form at the end of this section. Note the June 15th deadline.

1. For additional important fair information, please read the General Rules, Veterinary Regulations, and Animal Exhibitor Guidelines at the beginning of the premium book.
2. Rabbits must be under the 4-H member's regular care and management for 45 days prior to the start of fair. Rabbits must meet ARBA minimum weight requirements and may be weighed upon barn entry. No expectant does or does with litters.
3. Rabbits need to have an ear number in their left ear for ID purposes. For County Fair, a permanent marker may be used. State Fair requires a permanent tattoo in the left ear.
4. Rabbits subject to Small Animal health check prior to barn entry. Any rabbits exhibiting signs of illness, parasites, aggression, or pregnancy, at vet check or during fair, will be excused. Rabbits excused from fair may not stay on the Fairgrounds.
5. Rabbits are to remain on exhibit all four days of fair, unless excused by the veterinarian or superintendent. No medications or supplements are to be given to rabbits at fair without superintendent's approval or written vet recommendation.
6. Exhibitors are to provide rabbit feed and equipment (bowls/water bottles/etc.). Food, labeled with Exhibitor's name, may be stored in the tack room in a hard plastic container. Sorry, there is no extra space in the tack room to store rabbit carriers, show clothes, costumes, or personal items.
7. Exhibitors are to report to the barn daily, by 9:30 AM, to feed, water, and clean cages for their own rabbits. Daily Rabbit Department meeting will follow, at 9:45 AM. Barn will lock nightly at 9:00 PM.
8. Exhibitors are to check on their rabbits every two hours while the barn is open. It is usually HOT at our fair! Make sure your rabbits have plenty of water at all times. Ultimate responsibility for the care and welfare of rabbits lies with exhibitors.
9. Required Rabbit Department events include Showmanship, Type, Herdsmanship, morning meeting attendance, and Saturday night barn clean out. Herdsmanship sign-up available the Sunday before fair (for exhibitors attending barn set-up) and Tuesday, at barn check-in. Rabbit department premium is dependent upon exhibitor participation in required events and animal care.

10. Exhibitors are to participate in Showmanship with their own rabbit. A substitution rabbit may be allowed, depending on circumstance, by Superintendent. Any exhibitors using an approved substitute rabbit for Showmanship, are only competing for Blue, Red, or White ribbons. They are not eligible to compete for Showmanship Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, or High Blue Awards.
11. Showmanship attire: Black pants with a long sleeve, plain white shirt or plain white showmanship jacket.
12. Exhibitors are responsible for getting their own rabbits to the Type table. 4-H rabbits will be judged and may be faulted and/or disqualified as set forth by the ARBA Standard of Perfection guide. Rabbits not present, may not be judged.
13. Registration for non-premium, ribbon-only Rabbit Department events (Cage Decorations, Costume Contest, Rabbit Races, Quiz Bowl, and Parent Rabbit Show) will happen Tuesday, during barn check-in.
14. Non-toxic cage decorations (created and displayed by 4-H members) may be used on cage exteriors for the Cage Decorating Contest. Make sure rabbits have plenty of ventilation and are still visible to the public.
15. Exhibitors and rabbits released Saturday night, following barn clean out.

**Register each 4-H member once for Showmanship (Division A).
Register each rabbit for its appropriate Type Division (AA through U).**

Division A: Showmanship

Class Number	Class Description	Blue Premium	Red Premium	White Premium
001	Cloverbud	Ribbon Only	Ribbon Only	Ribbon Only
002	Junior Novice*	200	150	100
003	Intermediate Novice*	200	150	100
004	Senior Novice*	200	150	100
005	Junior	200	150	100
006	Intermediate	200	150	100
007	Senior	200	150	100

*First year rabbit members may choose to show as Novice, but are not required to show as Novice. As per Skagit County Fair Guidelines, Novices are not eligible for 4-H State Fair or High Point Awards.

Novice Showmanship classes will be run as clinics or workshops to help us get back to swing of things. Please contact the superintendent if you need more information.

Type Divisions:

AA - Market/Auction Rabbits (See rules on following page.)	FF - Dwarf Hotot	L - Mini Rex
	G - English Spot	LL - Mini Satin
B - American Fuzzy Lop	GG - Flemish Giant *	M - Netherland Dwarf
BB - Argente Brun *	H - Florida White	N - New Zealand *
C - Beveren *	HH - French Lop *	O - Palomino *
CC - Britannia Petite	I - Havana	P - Polish
D - Californian *	II - Himalayan	Q - Rex
DD - Champagne D'Argent *	J - Holland Lop	R - Thrianta
E - Cinnamon *	JJ - Jersey Wooly	S - Other Breeds
EE - Crème D'Argent *	K - Lionhead	T - Crossbreeds, under 7 pounds
F - Dutch	KK - Mini Lop	U - Crossbreeds, over 7 pounds

*Rabbit Breeds with an Intermediate class.

Type Classes:

Class Number	Class Description	Blue Premium	Red Premium	White Premium
001	Junior Doe - under 6 months	50	40	30
002	Junior Buck - under 6 months	50	40	30
003	<i>*Intermediate Doe - 6 to 8 months, (applicable to 6-class breeds)</i>	50	40	30
004	<i>*Intermediate Buck - 6 to 8 months, (applicable to 6-class breeds)</i>	50	40	30
005	Senior Doe - over 6 months	50	40	30
006	Senior Buck - over 6 months	50	40	30

Rosettes awarded to Best of Breed, Best Opposite Sex of Breed, Best in Show, and Reserve in Show.

Crossbreeds, neutered/spayed rabbits, and non-ARBA recognized breeds are not eligible for Best in Show. They will instead compete for Type in a pet rabbit category, with Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion rosettes.

Division AA: Commercial Market/Auction Rabbits

Division	Breed
AA	Meat Rabbits

Market Breeds ONLY – with a valid pedigree.

Type Classes (Market Rabbits)

Class Number	Class Description	Blue Premium	Red Premium	White Premium
008	Single Fryer: 8-10 weeks old, 3 to 5 lbs.	50	40	30
009	Roaster: under 6 months old, 5 to 8 lbs.	50	40	30
010	Stewer: 6 months or older, over 8 lbs.	50	40	30

Special Rules:

- 1) Only pedigreed, ARBA-approved Commercial Rabbit breeds born after January 1st of the fair year sold will be accepted.
- 2) Seller must own rabbits entered at least 45 days prior to show.
- 3) This is a No-Disqualification/No-Buy-Back Sale.
- 4) All livestock/market rules apply to market rabbits.
- 5) All ARBA General Disqualifications from Competition and Breed Disqualifications from Competition will apply.
- 6) Point Schedule for Judging:

Single Fryers:	
a) Meat Type	45
b) Condition of Flesh	35
c) Fur	20
d) Total Maximum	100 Points

Roasters & Stewers:	
a) Meat Type	35
b) Condition of Flesh	35
c) Fur	30
d) Total Maximum	100 Points

The market rabbits arrive at the same time as the show rabbits and must pass the small animal vet check. Please bring a valid pedigree with each entry. They will be judged before auction.

Per market rules, **only** blue and red ribbon animals may be sold.

Please understand all rabbits entered in the Market Meat Rabbit portion of the Livestock Auction will be auctioned off and sold. No animals will be returned – please see additional information in the livestock/market rules section.

Division V: Rabbit Judging Contest

Class Number	Class Description	Blue Premium	Red Premium	White Premium
001	Cloverbud	Ribbon Only	Ribbon Only	Ribbon Only
002	Junior	60	40	30
003	Intermediate	60	40	30
004	Senior	60	40	30

Rabbit Judging Contest is the optional rabbit knowledge test.

Division W: Educational Posters

- Scorecard C0679 will be used to judge all educational displays. Refer to scorecard when planning display.
- No copyrighted illustrations or cartoons may be used unless permission has been granted. The display must credit any source of copyrighted information used by permission.
- All work must have been created during the current 4-H year.
- All educational displays must be labeled on the back with the following information:
 Name, First and Last
 County
 Club
 Age Division (Cloverbud, Junior, Intermediate, Senior)
 Division Letter and Department (example – W – Rabbits)
 (If display is 3D, attach a card with identifying information.)
- Exhibits will be displayed according to the identified 4-H project area in the appropriate barn/building, as space permits.
- Educational displays will be accepted along with other non-animal entries on the Friday before Fair**, as specified by the 4-H General Rules.
- For displays identified with an animal project area, check individual animal project divisions for specific criteria, if any.
- Entries must be the work of the individual exhibitor.
- Poster surfaces should be flat; no dimensional attachments, no foam core board. Posters minimum size is 14" x 22"; maximum size is 22" x 28."
- Charts and graphs are not dimensional.

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001	Cloverbud	Ribbons Only		
002	Junior	35	25	15
003	Intermediate	35	25	15
004	Senior	35	25	15

Division X: Educational Display - Tri-fold, Table, or Other 3-D/Large Display

1. Please list the 4-H project area (ie. Rabbit) for your display in the description when entering your exhibit on-line.
2. Large exhibits must have the prior approval of the superintendent.
3. Entries must be the work of the individual exhibitor, unless entered in Lot 004.

Class Number	Class Description	Blue Premium	Red Premium	White Premium
001	Junior	50	40	30
002	Intermediate	50	40	30
003	Senior	50	40	30
004	Club/Group Effort	50	40	30

Division Y: Public Presentations

See 4-H Education Premium Book for more detailed information

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001	Junior	50	40	30
002	Intermediate	50	40	30
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Division Z: 4-H in Action

See 4-H Education Premium Book for more detailed information

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001	Junior	50	40	30
002	Intermediate	50	40	30
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004	Club/Group Effort	50	40	30

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4-H Rabbit Pre-Registration Instructions

*****Please Note the June 15th Deadline*****

Due to our growing rabbit project and limited barn space, rabbit exhibitors will pre-register before ShoWorks opens for on-line registration. Pre-registration forms are to be submitted to Dorothy Elsner between **May 15th and June 15th**. Once rabbit entries are reviewed, exhibitors will be notified of ShoWorks opening. All rabbit exhibitors must pre-register to then be eligible for ShoWorks on-line registration.

Rabbit registration allowances...

- State-bound Skagit exhibitors: Up to (6) non-market rabbits + (1) market rabbit.
- Non state-bound Skagit exhibitors: Up to (3) non-market rabbits + (1) market rabbit.
- Skagit Cloverbuds: Up to (2) rabbits.
- Out-of-county exhibitors: Up to (2) rabbits total (including market rabbit).
- Exhibitors showing both 4-H and FFA rabbits: (1) 4-H rabbit and (1) FFA rabbit.

* Out-of-county entries contingent upon space availability.

Pre-registration form instructions...

- Please complete exhibitor information, including Exhibitor's County at the top of the page.
- Register each rabbit, according to the entry allowances above. If you don't yet know your rabbit's Ear ID#, we will collect that information later.
- For non-market rabbits: All crossbreeds and spayed/neutered rabbits will show for type in pet class. Exhibitors can choose to show rabbits with an ARBA DQ in pet class as well.

If pre-registration entries exceed the barn capacity of 90 rabbits (4-H and FFA), rabbit entries will be further limited. We will work with exhibitors to reduce entry numbers in a way that allows for all Skagit County pre-registered exhibitors to show at county fair, while keeping space for those Skagit County exhibitors that are working to qualify and take their full allotment of rabbits to state fair. Out-of-county entries contingent upon cage/barn space availability. If there is a need to reduce rabbit entry numbers, "received date" of pre-registration form may be a consideration.

Pre-registration forms can be returned (via mail or drop-off) to...

Skagit County Extension / Dorothy Elsner
11768 Westar Lane, Suite A
Burlington, WA 98233

If you have any questions, please check with the rabbit department superintendents.

- Erin Hanger 360-399-0372 (erinhanger8@gmail.com)
- Heidi Greso 360-826-3044 (patrickandheidi.greso@frontier.com)

Office Received Date: _____

Exhibitor's County: _____

2021 Skagit County Fair 4-H Rabbit Pre-Registration – Due by June 15th

Exhibitor: _____

Club: _____

Phone: _____ email: _____

Auction/Market Rabbit Breed _____	Buck	Doe
Birthdate: _____	Ear ID# _____	
Check in Weight at Fair _____	F	R S
Fair Coop # _____		

Rabbit Breed _____	Jr	Int	Sr	/	Buck	Doe
ARBA Variety _____	Ear ID# _____					
Pet Class? Y N	Fair Coop # _____					

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