

EL PASO COUNTY 4-H/FFA SMALL ANIMAL SHOW PREMIUM

El Paso County Fair Contest Requirements

Eligibility for 4-H/FFA El Paso County Fair

- 4-H youth club or FFA members must be in good standing
- Properly enrolled in the CSU Extension 4-H Youth Development Program in El Paso County via 4HOnline or local FFA chapters
- Paid membership fees in full
- Have met Meat Quality Assurance (MQA) training requirements (market rabbit and market poultry only)

Invite to FFA Members: Any FFA member wishing to exhibit under the 4-H Livestock Departments at the El Paso County Fair will follow the 4-H entry and exhibit process. FFA exhibitors/instructors are asked to contact the Colorado State University Extension, El Paso County Office to inquire about participation requirements and the online Fair Entry process.

General Rules

Pre-entry is required for all 4-H General, 4-H Consumer Science, 4-H Cloverbud and 4-H Animal exhibits. All exhibits/animals must pre-entered into the online FairEntry system. FairEntry system opening and entry deadline details will be announced in the El Paso County 4-H Newsletter. 4-H families will use their “4honline.com” username and password to log into the fair entry system. FFA families should contact the CSU Extension, El Paso County Office to be provided a username and password. More detailed information about registering and payment will be posted on the website and in the 4-H newsletter.

For help with computer pre-entry, call the CSU Extension Office at 719.520.7698

Exhibits must be entered by Friday June 15, 2022. A late fee of \$25.00 per exhibitor will be assessed for entries received between June 13-15 2022. **After June 15, 2022, absolutely no entries will be accepted.**

Once registration is complete and submitted by the family for all members participating in county fair, it will be sent to CSU Extension 4-H staff for approval. Once approved,

payment instructions will be sent via email. Payment **SHOULD NOT** be sent until all classes are approved by CSU Extension staff.

Payment must be **received by 4:30 p.m. Friday June 17, 2022.**

It is the member's responsibility to check with the Extension office to make sure the **entry and payment** was completed by the deadline.

- **Entry Fees (No Refunds):**
 - **Cavy:** \$5.00 per exhibitor, and \$1.00 per animal
 - **Rabbit:** \$5.00 per exhibitor and \$1 per rabbit, including market entries
 - **Rabbits:** \$1.00 for three (3) Meat Pens or three (3) Single Fryers or any combination to total three.
 - **Poultry:** \$5.00 per exhibitor fee and \$1.00 per animal
 - **Poultry:** \$1.00 for pen of three/trio
 - **Pocket Pets:** \$5.00 per exhibitor fee and \$1.00 per animal
 - **Cats:** \$5.00 per exhibitor and \$1.00 per animal
 - **Llamas/Alpacas:** \$5.00 per class (Obstacle, Public Relations, Pack, and Costume Contest) per exhibitor for the 4-H/FFA show
- **Number of Entries:**
 - Please refer to specific species rules

4-H Cloverbud: 4-H members age 5-7, are not permitted to show or exhibit any animals.

Record Books: The Small Animal record books will be judged at the club and county level. Members must complete their record books after the fair and turn them into their club leader for judging. Members failing to submit a finished record book will not be credited with a completed project and will be unable to take the same project again for one year. All animals exhibited must be in the member's record book.

Animal Ownership: Animals exhibited must be owned, or in the case of llama/alpacas, **leased** through a 4-H or FFA sanctioned lease program, by El Paso County 4-H or FFA members. All youth must have completed the **Animal Care and Housing Form for Colorado 4-H Livestock Projects** and **Code of Show Ring Ethics**.

Poultry and Rabbit members must also complete the **USDA Meat Quality Assurance Agreement** Form. All forms must be on file at the Extension Office.

Any behavior that is in **violation of the 4-H Code of Conduct or the Code of Show Ring Ethics** is to be brought to the attention of the CSU Extension 4-H staff person on duty immediately. Disciplinary action may include disqualification from the event and forfeiture of awards.

Any behavior that is considered negative on the part of the exhibitor, family members of the exhibitor, or leaders, directed toward any show official, Fair Board member, fair staff, 4-H staff, 4-H exhibitor or their parents **will result in disqualification and awards forfeited.**

Showmanship: All 4-H and FFA members must show their project animal in the showmanship contest. However extenuating circumstances may be addressed to the species superintendent and extension agent as soon as possible.

Care Provider: Only registered El Paso County 4-H and FFA members (no adult) will be permitted to groom or provide any kind of care to the animals once the animals have entered the Fairgrounds except in the interest of the safety of the child and the well-being of the animal. Violations of this rule will be handled as follows:

- First violation – verbal warning
- Second violation – written warning
- Third violation – dismissal from the Fairgrounds.

Exceptions can be made with the prior approval of superintendent. If, in the opinion of the 4-H Superintendent or 4-H Youth Development Agent, an exhibitor does not take proper care of his/her animal(s) and assigned cage (if applicable) and area, after proper warning, the exhibitor may be dismissed from the fairgrounds. Additionally, if any exhibitor or their families mistreat animals, the exhibitor may be dismissed from the fairgrounds.

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- First violation – verbal warning
- Second violation – written warning
- Third violation – dismissal from the fairgrounds.

Each exhibitor is required to clean up after their own animals. For cavy, this would mean cleaning up any excrement or mess that your animal makes while in the fair grounds. For poultry and rabbits, llama/alpaca, this means that cages/stalls must be cleaned daily by 10:00 a.m. Evening feedings must be completed prior to barn closing. Each exhibitor or club must provide his or her own bedding material.

All judges' decisions are final.

Premiums: Where appropriate, premiums will be awarded to first, second and third place participants. First place will be awarded \$5.00, second place will be awarded \$3.00, and third place will be awarded \$2.00. Market animals do not qualify for premiums. Any exhibitor dismissed from the fairgrounds will forfeit all premiums.

Fair Treatment Challenge: Must be filed in writing on the Fair Treatment Challenge Form with the Extension Agent responsible for the activity where the incident occurred accompanied with the fee of \$100 in cash (no checks) within 24 hours of the incident. Challenges can only be submitted by 4-H and FFA members. Please see the Fair Treatment Protocol attached to the Fair Treatment Challenge Form for further information and procedures.

The **showing of animals of any ineligible age or showing unethically fitted animals** is prohibited. Unethical fitting will be deemed to consist of any method which alters the natural conformation of any part of the animal's body, any animal having been operated upon or tampered with, for the purpose of concealing faults or with the intent to deceive will be disqualified and dismissed from the grounds. No administration of behavior-modifying drugs of any type, including alcohol, to any animals on the fairgrounds will be permitted under any circumstances. Violators of this rule will be disqualified and dismissed from the fairgrounds. An

animal judged to be unsafe by the committee and superintendents may be dismissed from the fairgrounds.

Use of alcoholic beverages or drugs by 4-H or FFA members will NOT be tolerated on either the fairgrounds or in the 4-H and FFA camping area.

Appropriate attire for showing and in sale pictures will be required at the discretion of the superintendents. 4-H dress code must always be adhered to.

Cage Space/Stalling: The respective superintendents or their assistants will assign cage space within the barns. The species superintendents will post cage assignments by the Opening Saturday of fair, in the respective barn areas. Any exhibitor not abiding by the cage assignment may be barred from competition.

Health Requirements: All animals must be free of contagious or infectious diseases and in good condition. Animals that appear malnourished or unthrifty may be excused from the premises. All owners of market animals will be required to sign a disclaimer stating that animals have not been given any medications, tranquilizers, and/or injectable vitamins according to label recommendations before weigh-in at fair. If medication is required on any animal before or during the fair where exhibition of the animal will take place prior to the medications labeled withdrawal time the Superintendent of that division **must be contacted before medication** is administered and provided with written documentation by a licensed veterinarian. Administering medications approved by the FDA for human use but not for veterinary applications is ground for disqualifications. All animals may be examined on arrival for evidence of infections or contagious disease, and if such is found, they will be held in quarantine until examined by a veterinarian. The exhibitor is responsible for calling a practicing veterinarian for animal treatments. The superintendent has the right to call for services of a veterinarian for the treatment of sick animals if the exhibitor is not available. The exhibitor must pay for the fee for veterinary services prior to the release of the animal from the fairgrounds. **If drugs are administered, the superintendent & official fair veterinarian must be notified.**

Meat Quality Assurance Training: All first year 4-H members and continuing members becoming, Intermediates (11 years old by December 31, through age 13) or Senior 4-Hers (14 years old by December 31 through age 18) enrolled in any market or breeding project (rabbit or poultry) must complete Meat Quality Assurance (MQA) training 45 days prior to the start of fair in order to be eligible to show at the County or State Fair. Every exhibitor who enrolls in a Market or Breeding Animal Project will sign a statement indicating their understanding and compliance with the Wholesome Meat Act.

Wholesome Meat Assurance Statement (*Market Poultry and Market Rabbit Only*):

Attention: The use by a non-veterinarian* of animal drugs or other substances in any manner other than in accord with the labeling approved by FDA is a violation of federal law. ***Note:** Abuse of the extra-label privilege by veterinarians is unethical and is subject to serious consequences such as license revocation.

Any food animal must not exceed FDA/EPA/USDA established tolerances for any identifiable or unidentifiable foreign substance including drugs, pesticides, feed additives, or other chemicals. Violative results of residue testing are subject to investigation by USDA and FDA for prosecution. Any misrepresentation of a food animal that can potentially affect the acceptability of the carcass or eggs will be considered fraud. Results of residue testing are subject to criminal investigation by USDA and FDA for prosecution.

"Certificate of Disclosure": Exhibitors, parents and club leaders of all market and breeding animals must certify their compliance with the USDA Wholesome Meat Act by completing and signing a "Certification and Disclosure Statement" when enrolling in 4-H or FFA. The Certificate will be available to members in the fall with enrollment materials. Exhibitors may not stall breeding animals or weigh-in market animals without this completed form on file in the 4-H office.

National Code of Show Ring Ethics (modified slightly to apply to all exhibits):

Exhibitors of animals at shows shall always conduct themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in the competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all exhibits in any event at a show. In addition to the "IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics", fairs may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial, and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine examples. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, and responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards, and auction proceeds, and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all animal shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors in competitive events:

- a. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating to your animal is prohibited.
- b. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or show officials.
- c. Youth exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at the fairs or shows.
- d. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of *violative* drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, and/or responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals entered in

events, which culminate with the animal entering the food chain, shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations, and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.

- e. If the laboratory report on the chemical analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medications, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample tested by the approved laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with burden of the owner, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise at any hearing in regard to the matter conducted by the fair or show premises, all treatment involving the use of drugs, and/or medications shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.
- f. Any surgical procedures or injection of any foreign substances or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, conformation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
- g. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
- h. Direct criticism or interference with the Judge, fair or 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 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.
- i. No owner, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.
- j. This application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.
- k. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible person to have any disciplinary action

taken by the fair or show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expos and any special notices to members.

- I. The act of entering of an animal in a fair or show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorized with jurisdiction over such infractions.

Fair Board Rules and Regulations: There is a **camping area** available for use by fair exhibitors and their immediate families. Camping permits should be purchased in advance from the Fair office. Youth exhibitors staying in the camping area must be accompanied by an adult. No dogs are permitted in the camping area without first receiving Fair Board approval. Additional camping regulations, rules and requirements are at the discretion of Fair management. **No vehicle** other than "Official Cars" will be permitted inside the fenced area around the barns and livestock arena after 9:00 AM. Vehicles for the purpose of hauling feed and supplies will not be permitted on the Fairgrounds.

Fair Rule Notice: The El Paso County 4-H Livestock Species Superintendent, after consulting with the CSU Extension Office 4-H representative, reserves the right to make any changes in existing rules if such changes will improve the County Fair. All interpretations of the rules by the 4-H Livestock Species Superintendent and CSU Extension Office 4-H representative are final. Superintendents must seek approval of the CSU Extension Office 4-H representative first before announcing any changes.

Accommodations Section For Livestock Premium: The El Paso County Fair and Colorado State University 4-H Youth Program through its curriculum, programs, and events, provides a supportive environment for diverse population groups with over-arching respect for individual's personal values and ideas. We take it seriously the responsibility to offer educational programming opportunities equitably to all qualified persons who can be reasonably accommodated.

Persons with disabilities have the right to request and receive reasonable accommodation. Each youth and event must be evaluated individually, assessing whether the youth is qualified for the event and whether he or she would be able to participate in the event with or without accommodation. So long as the youth meets essential requirements of the activity, participation should be welcomed.

Definitions:

- **Essential Functions:** Essential functions/requirement means the skill, experience, education, and other requirements of the activity desired. The term "essential functions" does not include the marginal functions of the activity.
- **Person With a Disability:** Person with a disability means:
 - Under 42 U.S.C. 12102, a person with a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities; or
 - Under RCW 49.60, a person who has an abnormal condition that is medically cognizable or diagnosable, and who is denied reasonable accommodation or is discriminated against on the basis of that condition.
- **Qualified Individual With a Disability:** Qualified individual with a disability means an individual with a disability who meets the skill, experience, education, and other requirements of the activity desired, and who, with or without reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions of the activity.
- **Reasonable Accommodation:** Reasonable accommodation means modification or adjustment to a job, work environment, policies, practices, or procedures that enables a qualified individual with a disability to enjoy equal opportunity to participate in the benefits of the program and that does not impose an undue hardship on the program sponsor.
- **Undue Hardship:** Undue hardship means an excessively costly, extensive, substantial, or disruptive modification, or one that would fundamentally alter the nature of the activity or event or operation of the institution or program.

Referenced from: Washington State 4-H Program

SMALL ANIMAL MASTER SHOWMAN SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

Superintendent: Melinda Johnson

Date/Time: Closing Saturday of Fair, Check-in at 7:00 a.m., Competition begins at 8:00 a.m. (starting with seniors, then juniors and intermediates.) If not checked in by 8:00 am the participant may receive an automatic 50-point deduction in final score.

Fee: None

Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Junior, Intermediate and Senior Small Animal Showmen will be determined through a Master Showman Showmanship Contest. 4-H and FFA members will participate in this contest as appropriate.

1. The Champion and Reserve Champion Junior, Intermediate and Senior showmen from each of the small animal divisions (cavy, dog, cat, poultry, and rabbit) will compete in the Small Animal Master Showman for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion honors.
2. If the same person wins Champion or Reserve Champion in more than one species then they must choose which species they will compete in and receive approval from their superintendent of their choice following their final show. In addition, they must notify both superintendents of their decision by Monday July 18th at 3:00 pm. The species which the multiple champion does not select to represent in Master Showman will then be offered to the third or fourth place overall in that species to compete in Master Showman.
3. Separate contests for Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors will be held.
4. The animals used for the competition will be selected by the species superintendent and is subject to the approval of the showman superintendent.

SPECIALTY MASTER SHOWMAN SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

Date/Time: Closing Friday of Fair, Check-in at 10:30 AM, Competition begins at 11:30 AM (starting with seniors, then juniors and intermediates.)

Fee: None

Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Junior, Intermediate and Senior Specialty Showmen will be determined through a Master Showman Showmanship Contest. 4-H and FFA members will participate in this contest as appropriate.

1. The Champion and Reserve Champion Junior, Intermediate and Senior showmen from each of the specialty divisions (llama/alpaca, miniature equine, dairy goat, pygmy goat, and utility/fiber goat) will compete in the Specialty Master Showman for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion honors.
2. If the same person wins Champion or Reserve Champion in more than one species, then they must choose which species they will compete in and receive approval from their superintendent of their choice following their final show. In addition, they must notify both superintendents of their decision by Saturday at 8:00 AM. The species which the multiple champions does not select to represent in Master Showman will then be offered to the third or fourth place overall in that species to compete in Master Showman.
3. Separate contests for Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors will be held.
4. Competitors will have 15 minutes to get their animals to the proper location.
5. If an animal is determined to be unable to be shown by judgment of the Species Superintendent, the Superintendent will choose an alternate animal.

4-H PREMIER EXHIBITOR CONTEST

All Exhibitors are encouraged to enter. Entries for this division should be made in Fair Entry. Premier Exhibitor is awarded to the exhibitor that best combines several aspects of the 4-H project experience. You may enter the Premier Exhibitor contest for each species for which you exhibit. There will not be any distinction between ages. Members signed up for the Premier Exhibitor contest will be posted in the barns for poultry, llama/alpaca, rabbit, dog and cavy.

See each species for specific criteria and a point system. At a minimum, the Premier Exhibitor contest for each species will include showmanship, a written quiz, interviews, and record book scores.

Written Quiz:

Check with the species superintended for quiz times. The questions will be used from the resource manuals through the extension office.

Interviews:

Sign up for interview times with the superintendent during check-in for each of your species.

Awards:

An award will be given to the Champion of each of the four species divisions in the Premier Exhibitor Contest. The Awards will be given out at the El Paso County 4-H Achievement Celebration.

CAVY SHOW

Superintendent: Kylie Farr

Fees: \$5.00 per exhibitor, and \$1.00 per animal

General Rules:

1. Ear tags are required to show
2. Only five cavies per breed, per exhibitor may be shown.
3. The youth must own the cavies 60 prior to county fair.
4. Health checks are required on each cavy before caging in.
5. Cavy must be treated for mites one month before county Fair. Please have paper with date, time, and person who administered the treatment.
6. Cage in will be the first Saturday of fair week and once caged in the cavies are required to stay the duration of fair until the animals are released.
7. Carpet squares are to be always placed in the bottom of the cage. Cavy may not be allowed on the bare wire cage floor at any time to prevent injury. To change your carpet square please place your cavy(s) into a carrier or empty cage with a carpet square. In addition, the 4-H participant is responsible for providing and changing a puppy pad under the carpet square each morning.
8. The 4-H exhibitor is responsible for cleaning up all poop that is on the carpet each morning before 9:00 AM.
9. The 4-H exhibitor may provide their own piece of fleece fabric to put over the carpet square but is not required. The piece of fleece must be cleaned every morning from poop and replaced every 3 days with a clean piece of fleece or more often if seen fit.
10. If the cavy breed is long-haired such as Texel, Coronet, Peruvian, etc. they will need to be housed in a plastic bottom cage that will be provided by the superintendent. The 4-H participant must use and provide pellet bedding in the cage. Long haired cavy must be on pellet bedding. If you have a long-haired cavy and one short hair cavy housed together you may use the plastic bottom cage provided by the superintendent.
11. The 4-H exhibitors responsible for feeding and watering cavy every morning before 9:00 AM. The 4-H exhibitor is also responsible for providing food, water in bowls or bottles.
12. Cavies may be housed together, however no more than four cavies per cage.
13. The 4-H exhibitor may provide fresh vegetables everyday if they desire. This is not a requirement.
14. A recommendation is to give each cavy a Vitamin E and Vitamin C tablet each day.
15. The 4-H participant must legibly fill out comment cards on cage in morning.
16. Cavy will only be sent home by the discretion of the superintendent
17. Bring your entries **IN CAGES** to the Rabbit Barn and check-in with the superintendent. For their safety, cavies **MUST** be in carrying cages. No boxes or aquariums will be allowed.
18. All cavies will be judged based on breed, sex, and ARBA standard.
19. Best of Show and Best Reserve of Show earn rosettes. Ribbons will be awarded for first through fifth place.
20. Pet Class (Mixed Breeds) – Cavies in this class will **NOT** be allowed to compete for Best in Show, under any circumstance. Cavies in this class will be judged based only on appearance including health, fur, teeth, and body conformation. If the judge cannot determine body conformation, the judge can decide on a breed the cavy most resembles.

21. Showmanship is required and showmanship clothes must be worn during showmanship. Black pants and a white button-up shirt with no pockets is preferred. No jewelry or nail polish is to be worn.
22. On cage out day the 4-H exhibitor must clean out cage, take carpet square outside of the rabbit barn and hose the carpet square to the best of their ability. Cages and carpets must be cleaned, and carpets return to the superintendent. Superintendents must approve cages before dismissed from the fairgrounds.
23. All exhibitors will be required to work a maintenance shift in the cavy barn during the Fair to help water **all the exhibits** along with sweep the walkways in the barn, and answer questions any visitors to the barn might have. Please sign up for time slots at cage-in.

Cavy Classes:

Cavy Showmanship (Required)

Class 1: Cavy Showmanship-Senior

Class 2: Cavy Showmanship-Intermediate

Class 3: Cavy Showmanship-Junior

Cavy Breed Type Class

Class 1: Cavy Abyssinian

Class 2: Cavy Abyssinian Satin

Class 3: Cavy American

Class 4: Cavy American Satin

Class 5: Cavy Coronet

Class 6: Cavy Peruvian

Class 7: Cavy Peruvian Satin

Class 8: Cavy Silkie

Class 9: Cavy Silkie Satin

Class 10: Cavy Teddy

Class 11: Cavy Teddy Satin

Class 12: Cavy Texel

Class 13: Cavy White Crested

Cavy Pet Class

Class 1: Boar

Class 2: Sow

Dress Your Cavy

Dress your cavy-all ages (**Register at Fair**)

RABBIT SHOW

Superintendent: Samantha Taylor

Assistant Superintendent: Laura Mayo

Assistant Superintendent: Kylie Farr

Fees: There is a \$5.00 per exhibitor and \$1 per rabbit entry, including market entries (meat pens/ pen of three count as one entry). Exhibitors are limited to ten (10) single show rabbits, and up to three market entries.

Rules & Regulations:

1. **ALL** show rabbits (Classes 1-11) are **REQUIRED** to have the Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease Virus Type 2 (RHVD2) vaccination. They must show the vaccination records to the superintendent upon caging. The vaccination record must include the ear tattoo number and must be up to date. Rabbits competing in Classes 1-11 that do not have a current vaccination will not be permitted onto the fairgrounds.
2. A liability waiver form about RHDV2 will be signed during cage-in. It must be signed in person by a legal guardian. This form is to make each member aware of the risks of RHDV2.
3. Market rabbits (Classes 12-14) will follow RHDV2 protocols released by the superintendent, Fair board, and CSU Extension.
4. Judging will be in accordance with the **American Rabbit Breeders Association (“ARBA”)** rules. Anything not covered in the following rules will be covered by ARBA rules. All rabbits will be judged based on their standard of perfection. Meat pens will be judged on type (conformation), uniformity, and condition. **NOTE:** Mixed breeds will be allowed. Only those breeds of rabbits recognized by the ARBA will be eligible for Best in Show.
5. **NO** rabbit will be officially disqualified; it will be noted on the comment sheet and will be placed pursuant to judge’s call.
6. All rabbits entered are **REQUIRED** to have an ear identification number **PRIOR** to Fair. Tattooing will be available in the Rabbit Barn on Barn Cleanup Day. All rabbits entered are **REQUIRED** to have this ear tag number noted on the entry or the entry will be rejected. Please remember to bring this ear tag number to the Barn Cleanup Day so that your rabbit is tattooed correctly. Any rabbit(s) that must be tattooed on caging day will be charged \$3.00 per rabbit tattooed.
7. **ALL** show rabbits must be delivered and in place (cage placing will be by breed) on the Opening Saturday of Fair between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 (Noon).

8. Each member will be **responsible for transporting** their rabbit to and from the judging table and be present at the time of judging. Any Member showing in another 4-H or FFA Project at the same time as the Rabbit Show may have **ONLY** a Superintendent, or a 4-H or FFA member, transport his or her rabbit to the table. Make these transportation arrangements in advance and inform the superintendent of your absence in the rabbit show. If no arrangements have been made, the superintendents have no record of your absence, and the member does not show up, his or her rabbit(s) will **NOT** be judged. Rabbits must be brought to the table in a timely manner for judging and late arrivals may not be judged. **Procedures:** hold the rabbit, take one step back, and remind parents and other interested parties they are observers **ONLY**.
9. **ALL** rabbits must be in good physical condition and have a legible permanent ear tattoo in the left ear. The judge is under no obligation to judge or handle an unhealthy or aggressive rabbit and the Superintendents will honor the judge's request to remove the rabbit from the table.
10. **NO** does with litters will be allowed.
11. **NO rabbit(s) entered into the Fair will be sold during the Fair.** If a Member wants to sell an entered rabbit, refer to the Public Sale category below. The Rabbit Barn will **NOT** sell any rabbit on your behalf.
12. All rabbits competing must be entered in the name of the actual owner and must be owned 60 days **PRIOR** to the El Paso County Fair, as evidenced by a copy of the pedigree. The dam of market rabbits must be owned 115 days or more **PRIOR** to the El Paso County Fair.
13. Except on show days, doors of the Rabbit Barn will be open at 8:30 a.m. only for rabbit members checking on his/her rabbit(s). All rabbit cages must be cleaned before 10:00 AM. Doors of the Rabbit Barn will be open to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. throughout the Fair.
14. All exhibitors will be required to sign up for two rabbit barn duties. Sign-ups for barn duties will be during cage-in. Expectations for barn duties will be provided when members sign-up.
15. Judging will be done by comparison. **NO** interference with the judges will be tolerated. Questions of the judges may be posed at the **COMPLETION** of the class. The superintendents will monitor and strictly enforce this rule. Abusers will be requested to step back away from the judging tables and observe from a distance.
16. The judge has final rule if a rabbit is unworthy of an award. If a rabbit is deemed unworthy it shall **NOT** receive an award even when there is no competing rabbit. No member shall receive an award greater than the rabbit earns.
17. **ONLY** Champion and Reserve Champion Meat Pens and Fryers will remain in the Rabbit Barn after judging. If cages are available and with **PRIOR** arrangements, Meat Pens and Fryers can continue to be caged till the end of the El Paso County Fair on a first come-first served basis.
18. **NO** entered rabbits can leave the rabbit barn before 9:00 a.m. on the closing Sunday of Fair unless they enter the rabbits in a rabbit show. We will allow members to take rabbits entered in a show to leave on **Saturday night (no earlier than 7pm) if the member gives**

notification to the superintendent before July 1st via email and presents paperwork (copy of the entry approved by the show) by the Friday of fair. ALL rabbits must be picked up NO later than Noon on the Closing Sunday of Fair. Rabbits, feed, and equipment not picked up by the time the Rabbit Barn is secured at the end of the El Paso County will be placed outside the locked barn at no responsibility or liability to the Rabbit Barn personnel and/or El Paso County Fair staff.

19. At release time, the member will check in with superintendents to have their area checked for cleanliness and to ensure loaned crocks are returned. Once checked, premiums and ribbons will be given to the 4-H/FFA member.
20. All members are limited to **ten (10) rabbits** and **three (3) Meat Pens** or **three (3) Single Fryers** or **any combination to total three.**
21. All rabbit members are responsible for watering and feeding his/her own rabbit(s).
22. Exhibitors need to provide wood shavings and feed for their rabbits and will be responsible to make sure their rabbits are fed throughout the fair. There will be limited space provided in the barn for storing feed or bedding. All supplies must fit in their tote. Exhibitors need to store other supplies, like carrying cages and grooming tables, at their camper or bring them with them daily. Rabbit Barn personnel and/or the El Paso County Fair Staff will not be responsible for feed and supplies left in the barn. Exhibitors' using other exhibitors' feed, without permission, is in violation of the 4-H Code of Ethics and can be removed from the barn.
23. **Mixed breed rabbits** will be allowed to be used for show, showmanship, Meat Pen, and Fryer. For the Pet Class (rabbit show) **please see Class 11 for rabbit show to ensure there are no disappointments.** If a rabbit member wishes to use a mixed breed for showmanship, they **MUST** know information on ALL breeds of their rabbit. For Meat Pen and Fryer, please see classes 13 and 14.
24. The Rabbit Barn personnel and El Paso County Fair staff are **NOT** responsible for any loss or injury to any entered and/or non-entered rabbit.

Rabbit Classes:

Classes can be moved up based on ARBA rules.

For breeds maturing under nine pounds (both sexes):

Class 1- **Senior Buck** - Six months of age or older

Class 2 - **Senior Doe** - Six months of age or older

Class 3 - **Junior Buck** - Under six months of age

Class 4 - **Junior Doe** - Under six months of age

For breeds maturing at nine pounds or over (both sexes):

Class 5 - **Senior Buck** - Eight months of age or older

Class 6 - **Senior Doe** - Eight months of age or older

Class 7 - **Intermediate Buck** - Six months to eight months

Class 8 - **Intermediate Doe** - Six months to eight months

Class 9 - **Junior Buck** - Under six months of age

Class 10 - **Junior Doe** - Under six months of age

Class 11 – **Pet Class (Mixed Breeds)**

- Rabbits in this class will NOT, under any circumstance, be allowed to compete for Best in Show. Rabbits in this class will be judged based only on appearance of rabbit, including health, fur, teeth, and body confirmation. If the judge cannot determine body confirmation, the judge can decide on a breed the rabbit most resembles.

Class 12- **Market Rabbits**

- Exhibitors may enter up to three (3) market animals (ie. three (3) Meat Pens OR three (3) Single Fryers or any combination to total three). The member MUST own the Doe in each class. Mixed breeds and pure-bred rabbits will both be allowed. The rabbits need to be of the same breed or hybrid strain as followed in ARBA rules.

Class 13- **Meat Pen Class**

- Will Consist of three (3) rabbits. All three rabbits must be the same breeds/breed and variety. (brokens will be all black, all red, etc, in conjunction with white). Age limit is not over 70 days. Weight limit is in accordance to ARBA rules. The weight is not under three and half (3.5) pounds and not over five and half (5.5) pounds. The rabbits need to be of the same breed or hybrid strain as followed in ARBA rules.

Class 14 - **Fryer Class** - Will follow the same requirements as Meat Pen.

Champion and Reserve Champion in classes 13-14 will be sold at the Junior Livestock Sale at 1:00 p.m. the Closing Saturday of Fair.

Public Sale:

All rabbits sold during the public sale must be up to date on RHVD2 vaccination records on hand and must present them to the superintendent. The youth selling their rabbits must provide information on RHVD2 to their buyers so the new owner knows what to look for and has been informed about this disease. The El Paso County Fair and CSU Extension Office are not responsible for any rabbits sold that contract, die, or shed the disease to other rabbits. Fair entered and non-entered rabbits, cages, equipment, etc. may be sold, but not until the public sale day. If you wish, you may post a "For Sale" sign on the bulletin board, but no rabbit sold will leave the rabbit barn prior to 5:00 p.m. on the Closing Saturday of Fair. All rabbits must be a

minimum of 8 weeks old. You must be with all sale items for the duration of the sale and/or until all items are sold. For Fair entered rabbits, the Superintendents will provide and release upon submission of a Bill of Sale. Members must provide boxes for new owners to transport rabbits from the Fairgrounds.

Class 15- Showmanship (Required)

Winners of the showmanship contest will be announced after the contest is complete and scores have been tabulated. Age groups are Junior, Intermediate, and Senior. Showmen are to wear a plain long-sleeve (preferably white) shirt and dark pants.

First year members have the **option** of showing in the Novice class, instead of their age group. A member can show in the Novice class for their **first year only**. This choice must be indicated on the entry form. Champion and Reserve Champion Novice showman will receive a rosette only and will not qualify for Small Animal Master Showman.

Winners of Showmanship (except for the Novice class) will participate in the Small Animal Master Showman/Round Robin.

Awards for Show and Showmanship:

- Ribbons and Premiums for first through third place, best of breed, best opposite, and best of variety
- Trophy: Best in Show (traveling trophy)
- Belt Buckle: Grand Champion Showman of each age group
- Premiums will be awarded if more than five rabbits of the same breed are entered.

Class 16- Rabbit Premier Exhibitor

Sign-ups for this class must be done in Fair Entry. Interviews will be conducted at fair. An announcement will be made about the date and time for interviews. The winner will be announced at Achievement Celebration.

The Following Criteria and points will be used:

- **Showmanship Score:** 0-10 points max
(100 points = 10 points, 50 points = 5 points, etc.)
- **Market Show** (if applicable):
 - 3 points for Grand Champion Meat/Fryer
 - 2 points for Reserve Grand Champion Meat/Fryer
- **Breeding/Performance Show:** 10 Point Maximum
 - 3 points for Best in Show
 - 2 points for Reserve Best in Show
 - 1 point for Best of Breed
- **Record Book Score:** 10 points max (100% - 10 points, 89% - 8.9 points, etc)
- **Quiz Score:** 25 points (or actual score on quiz)
- **Interview:** 0-25 points
 - Will be held at County Fair

Class 17- Supreme Market Rabbit

Signups for this class must be done in Fair Entry. There will not be any distinction between ages. The focus of this class is on rewarding excellence in project management and promoting quality assurance of market animal products for consumers. Contestants will be evaluated on three areas:

- a. Class Placings
- b. Record book
- c. Interview

Youth choosing to enter The Supreme Market Rabbit competition must have met the requirements for Meat Quality Assurance training.

The Supreme Market Rabbit Award will be based on the following criteria and scoring system:

- a. Class placings (0-10 points)- 1st place= 10 points, 2nd place= 9 points, 3rd place= 8 points, etc.
 - Contestants will earn points up to 10th place
- b. Record Book (0-10 Points)
 - Competitors will receive points equal to one decimal place less than their percent score on their record book (i.e. a score of 85% will earn 8.5 points)
- c. Interview (0-25 points)
 - Sign up for interview times will be sent out by the Extension Agent

POULTRY SHOW

Superintendents: Dawn Wheeler
Assistant Superintendent: Renee Sasse

Fees: There is a \$5.00 per exhibitor fee and \$1.00 per animal.

Rules & Regulations:

1. Building operation is from **10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. daily**. The only exception to this will be the day of coop-in (opening Saturday) when it will open at 9:00 a.m. The barn will be open from 7:00 AM to 10:00 AM to get cages clean and birds managed before the fair opens.

2. Definitions

Cock	C	Males chicken over 1 year in age
Hen	H	Female chicken over 1 year in age
Cockerel	CK	Male chicken under 1 year in age
Pullet	P	Female chicken under 1 year in age
Old Drake	OD	Male duck over 1 year in age
Old Hen	OH	Female duck over 1 year in age
Young Drake	YD	Male duck under 1 year in age
Young Hen	YH	Female duck under 1 year in age
Old Gander	OGD	Male goose over 1 year in age
Old Goose	OGS	Female goose over 1 year in age
Young Gander	YGD	Male goose under 1 year in age
Young Goose	YGS	Female goose under 1 year in age
Old Tom	OTT	Male turkey over 1 year in age
Old Hen	OHT	Female turkey over 1 year in age
Young Tom	YTT	Male turkey under 1 year in age
Young Hen	YHT	Female turkey under 1 year in age

3. Champion and Reserve Champion; Market Fryer Pen, Market Broiler Pen, Market Duck, Market Goose, and Market Turkey, **MUST** be sold at the Jr. Livestock Sale with the proceeds going to the Exhibitor. **This is a terminal sale.** The sale committee will take

possession of all birds sold at the junior livestock sale immediately following the sale. Any 4-H or FFA exhibitor showing Market Class Birds without another market project may be eligible to sell at the livestock sale if the Livestock Sale Committee agrees, the exhibitor will be notified on the coop card the day of the show. There will be no exceptions to the sales rule. Anyone breaking the code of ethics will not be allowed to sell in the auction or participate in the poultry project for one year.

4. If you are entered in any poultry market class, please note in fair entry if you are also entered in another market animal project.
5. 4-H or FFA members who have sold their market birds at the Jr. Livestock Sale are responsible for cleaning out their coops after the sale. If the 4-H or FFA member does not clean out their coops, they will be subject to forfeiture of all premium money and ribbons.
6. Poultry must be owned by the Exhibitor by May 1 of the current year, or upon hatching (this would include fryers and broilers). Show birds must be at least 4 (four) months old to exhibit at fair.
7. All birds entered must have a numbered leg band. Bands may be purchased in the Poultry Barn at coop-in if needed.
8. All exhibitors will be required to work a maintenance shift in the poultry barn during the Fair to help water **all the exhibits** along with sweep the walkways in the barn, and answer questions any visitors to the barn might have. Please sign up for time slots at Coop – in. There will be seven two-hour shifts per day from 10:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. We also encourage you to keep your coops clean during the fair to make the poultry barn a nice experience for those who visit it.
9. Those 4-H or FFA members who are exhibiting waterfowl are strongly encouraged to clean their coops twice during the fair. **All coops requiring attention will be tagged, the 4-H and FFA member will have until closing the next day to have the coop cleaned,** or they will run the risk of losing any premium or ribbons and may be asked to remove the bird for its health and the health of the birds around it.
10. **All meat bird exhibitors (including waterfowl and turkeys) are required to clean their cages twice during the Fair one being by 11:00AM on the last Saturday of fair.** Those who neglect this rule will run the risk of losing their premiums or their ability to sell.
11. Birds will be accepted starting at 9:00 a.m. on the Opening Saturday of fair, and in place no later than 12:00 p.m. (Noon) the same day. **Exhibitors need to provide bedding (wood shavings) and feed for their birds, and will be responsible to make sure their birds are fed throughout the fair.**
12. There will not be space provided in the barn for storing feed or bedding. Exhibitors need to store their supplies at their camper or bring them with them daily. Poultry barn personnel and/or El Paso County Fair Staff will not be responsible for feed and supplies left in the barn. Exhibitors' using another exhibitor's feed, without permission, is in violation of the 4-H Code of Ethics and can be removed from the barn.

13. Exhibitors will be allowed to place sale advertisements for their **EXHIBITION BIRDS ONLY** on or above their exhibits after Judging is completed. **Market birds may not be listed for sale until 10:00 a.m. the last Saturday of fair.** This must include Exhibitors name and contact information. The Superintendents will not be responsible for any transactions. The exhibitor is responsible for letting their buyer know that no birds may be removed from the barn until after fair or during the public sale. If the buyer wishes to pick up their bird(s) during the public sale they will have to pay for fair admission to enter the grounds.
14. On the Closing Saturday of fair the Poultry Barn will host a Public Poultry sale in conjunction with the Public Rabbit Sale. This sale will go from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Any birds sold prior to the public sale date must remain in place until the public sale day or at coop out. The purchaser of your bird must be notified that another entrance fee must be paid to come back to the fair if they choose to remove the birds during the public sale. The purchaser of any birds sold must be given a bill of sale by the member selling the animal to remove any animals from the fairgrounds on the public sale day. If you intend to participate in the public sale, you will be responsible for all transactions. Please bring boxes for your buyers. You must provide your own cages during the sale; coops will not be made available.
15. Birds will be released starting at 9:00 a.m. on the Closing Sunday of fair. **All birds must be picked up no later than 12:00 p.m. Noon on Sunday.** Birds and equipment not picked up by the time the poultry barn is secured at **noon** will be placed outside the locked barn in a box at no responsibility or liability to the poultry barn personnel and /or El Paso County Fair Staff. Premiums and awards will be released after the coops have been cleaned and the birds removed on the Closing Sunday of fair. **There will be a check out list provided that must be followed before a single bird can be removed from the building.**
16. Exhibitors may enter a **maximum of 25 entries**, including chickens, ducks, geese and turkeys. You may have only 2 entries per market class (except for classes 1 & 2 as described in Item 17). Please note the Market turkey class is not by breed so there can only be 2 entries per 4-H or FFA member. Feel free to enter your other turkeys in the breed class.
17. Market Class 1 & 2 will be capped at three (3) total combined entries (exhibitors may bring no more than 3 market chicken trios). The birds will be judged as a pen of three and should be as uniform as possible within the pen (same breed, age, sex, and size). It will be the exhibitor's responsibility to declare their trio as fryer or broiler at coop-in. Once their declaration has been made a coop will be assigned and may not be changed. Birds will be weighed based on the declaration made at coop-in and will be shown as such. Adjustments will not be made to coop tags based on actual weights.
18. **Awards:** Champion Showman in each age level will receive Belt Buckles, excluding Novice, which will receive a rosette. Reserve Showman will receive a rosette. The Champions and Reserve Champions in the following Categories will receive rosettes (Bird of Show, Reserve Bird of Show, Market Duck, Market Goose, Market Turkey, Market Fryer Pen, Market Broiler Pen, Large Fowl, Bantam, Duck, Goose, Overall Waterfowl, Turkey, Guinea, Game Bird, and Barnyard). Showmanship buckles will NOT be released until the champion showman who earned the buckle turns in a stamped and addressed thank you letter.

19. **Premiums** will be awarded if more than 10 birds of the same breed are entered. Awards will be distributed on the Closing Sunday of fair at the Poultry Barn after check out is completed. Premiums will not be awarded in market class birds, in lieu of the auction.

Poultry Classes

Please enter by class number listed below, use description of Breed and Variety (color) as well as age (please refer to definitions above):

Class 1 – **Market Fryer Pen**: Three (3) birds of the same breed or hybrid strain, between 4-1/2 and 6 lbs., live weight. May not be more than 14 weeks old.

Class 2 – **Market Broiler Pen**: Three (3) Birds of the same breed or hybrid strain, between 6 and 10 lbs., live weight. May not be more than 14 weeks old.

Class 3 – **Market Turkey**: Over 19 lbs., and not to exceed 30lbs., Live weight. May not be more than 24 weeks old.

Class 4 – **Market Water Fowl**: Ducks should weigh between 6-13 lbs. and Geese should weigh between 8-15 lbs. May not be more than 20 weeks old. (Except Muscovy, which may not be more than 30 weeks).

Class 5 – **Large/Standard Single Chickens**

Class 6 – **Bantam Single Entries**

Class 7 – **Duck Single Entries**

Class 8 – **Goose Single Entries**

Class 9 – **Turkey Single Entries**

Class 10 – **Guinea fowl**

Class 11 – **Barnyard Variety**

- This is for non-standard breeds and mixed breed poultry. If exhibitor's bird does not fall within the guidelines of the 'Standard of Perfection', then it can be entered in the barnyard class. This class will be judged on the general appearance of the bird, including; feather condition, confirmation, and cleanliness. A champion and reserve will be chosen from all species (chicken, duck, goose, and turkey) combined. This class will not be eligible for bird of show or reserve bird of show

Class 12- **Showmanship**

- **Required Class.** 4-H and FFA exhibitors will be scheduled for Poultry Showmanship on the Opening Sunday of fair during the poultry show. A schedule will be posted in the Poultry Barn for you to check at the time of Coop-in. First year members have the **option** of showing in the Novice class, instead of their age group. A member can show in the Novice class for their **first year ONLY**.

This choice must be indicated in Fair Entry. Special Needs youth **ONLY**, as designated on 4H on-line, have the option to show in the Novice class multiple times, but need to make superintendent aware of their decision. Champion and Reserve Champion Novice showman will receive a rosette only and will not qualify for Small Animal Round Robin. Any 4-H or FFA member not participating in Showmanship will forfeit all awards thru disqualification, to include the ability to sale at the Junior Livestock Auction. Winners of Showmanship (except in the Novice class) will participate in the Small Animal Master Showman/Round Robin. The Superintendent will supply the birds for the Round Robin

Class 13- Poultry Premier Exhibitor

Signups must be completed in Fair Entry. Interviews will be conducted at fair. An announcement will be made about the date and time for interviews.

The Following Criteria and points will be used:

- **Showmanship Score:** 0-10 points max (100 points = 10 points, 50 points = 5 points, etc.)
- **Market Show** (if applicable): 10 Point Maximum
 - 3 points for Champion of market class
 - 2 points for Reserve Champion of market class
- **Breeding/Performance Show:** 10 Point Maximum
 - 3 points for Champion of class
 - 2 points for Reserve Champion of class
- **Record Book Score:** 10 points max (100% - 10 points, 89% - 8.9 points, etc)
- **Quiz Score:** 25 points (or actual score on quiz)
- **Interview:** 0-25 points
 - Will be held at County Fair

Class 14- Supreme Market Fowl

Signups must be completed in Fair Entry. There will not be any distinction between ages. The focus of this contest is on rewarding excellence in project management and promoting quality assurance of market animal products for consumers. Contestants will be evaluated on three areas:

- a. Record book
- b. Interviews
- c. Knowledge Test

Youth choosing to enter The Market Fowl competition must have met the requirements for Meat Quality Assurance training.

The Supreme Market Fowl Award will be based on the following criteria and scoring system:

- a. Record Book (0-10 Points)
 - Competitors will receive points equal to one decimal place less than their percent score on their record book (i.e. a score of 85% will earn 8.5 points)
- b. Interview (0-25 points)

- Sign up for interview times will be sent out by the Extension Agent
- c. Knowledge Test (0-10 points)
- Score will reflect the points scored on the test i.e., 8 questions correct will earn 8 points. Test will be given at County Fair.

POCKET PET SHOW

Superintendent: Danielle Dungan

Assistant Fees: There is a \$5.00 per member exhibitor fee and \$1.00 per animal.

General Rules:

- 1 If members choose to exhibit their animal on pocket pet day, they must bring entries **IN EXHIBITS** appropriate to the species for the animal's safety, all feed and watering cups. Tables will be provided.
- 2 The superintendent will release pocket pets after the show is over.
- 3 The contestant must be a 4-H/FFA member enrolled in the El Paso County pocket pet project as of May 1st of the current year.
- 4 Contestants will be interviewed by the judge based on species knowledge.
- 5 All pocket pets will be judged based on condition and health, not on breed standard.
- 6 Species will be recognized as follows: amphibians, aquatics, avian, reptiles, small mammals, and invertebrates.
- 7 Each species will be placed 1st – 6th, with a grand and reserve being given in each species.
- 8 Best of Show will be awarded for overall.
- 9 Showmanship will be broke down into age divisions: Junior, Intermediate, and Senior as of December 31st of the current 4-H year. This is for the contestant to demonstrate their ability handle the animal and present it for the judge's inspection. The member's attire should be neat and clean. Belt buckles will be awarded in each age group. Pocket Pet showmen **DO NOT** compete in Small Animal Master Showman/Round Robin.
- 10 Safety is our utmost priority. Therefore, no venomous or poisonous pets will be allowed at the show, or other 4-H/FFA events. We recognize that some species that would be considered poisonous in the wild are safe to handle when raised in captivity or when other circumstances exist. Special exception will be made for these animals as deemed appropriate by the Superintendent. (Example: Poison Dart Frogs in captivity are safe to handle due to nutrition and diet changes)

Pocket Pet Classes:

Class 1: Amphibian

Class 2: Aquatics

Class 3: Avian

Class 4: Reptile

Class 5: Small Mammals

Class 6: Invertebrates

Pocket Pet Showmanship Classes (Required):

Class 1: Pocket Pet Showmanship-Senior

Class 2: Pocket Pet Showmanship-Intermediate

Class 3: Pocket Pet Showmanship-Junior

Class 4: Pocket Pet Showmanship- Novice

- First year members have the **option** of showing in the Novice class, instead of their age group. A member can show in the Novice class for their **first year only**.

CAT SHOW

Superintendent: TBA

Fee: \$5.00 per exhibitor and \$1.00 per animal

General Rules & Requirements

1. Members must be enrolled in the 4-H Cat Project. Cats entered must have been part of the project since May 1st 2016 or earlier. **The member must own or lease his/her cat individually or in partnership with parent or guardian during the complete duration of the project.** **Note:** A cat may be shown by a maximum of two 4-H members in showmanship only. There must be a formal written agreement provided on the show day.
2. All 4-H Cat exhibitors are required to present a tri fold board and a completed record book on county exhibit day. These will be judged with tabletop and are eligible for State Fair. Cats, however, are not shown at state fair at this point.
3. Cats may be purebred or household pets. Cats do not need to be registered or pedigreed in order to enter the 4-H Cat Show. **All cats must be on halter and leash when outside of the cage.**
4. It is recommended that all 4-H cats, other than pedigreed breeding animals, be neutered or spayed. **All 4-H cats must have a valid certificate of rabies vaccination.** The certification must be available and presented at check-in. Cats who are not up to date on rabies or do not have proof of rabies vaccination will not be allowed to show. No Exceptions. Distemper (FVRCP) vaccination is also required. Please make sure you have proof at check in.
5. No pregnant cats or nursing cats or kittens under 4 months old will be allowed.
6. Each cat exhibited must be clean and in good health (clear eyes and nose). The Superintendent reserves the right to not allow cats to show that are believed to be a health threat to other animals.
7. All cats must have the claws clipped for the safety of the 4-H'er and Judge.
8. An exhibitor may show no more than two cats in a class except showmanship where they can have only one entry. Each cat can only be entered in one Conformation class. However in showmanship a cat may be shown by up to two 4-H members. Please refer to Rule #1. Showmanship is mandatory.

9. Exhibitors are to provide their animals with litter, litter box, food and water. Two cages 22"x 22"x 46" will be provided. If more are needed, please check with the head superintendent.

10. **All cats must be checked out with the Superintendent before leaving. Cats are expected to be on display from 10:00 AM- 7:00 PM.**

11. Each 4-H exhibitor is responsible for bringing their cat to the show ring. Only 4-H members may show cats at the judging table. All exhibitors are expected to stay in the area with their cats during judging. If a 4-H cat is not on the judging table at the time the class is judged, it will not be judged. **See head superintendent before your scheduled time if you have a conflict.**

12. Overall Cat showman will be determined by the Showmanship class (200 pts.) and the two highest scores for the exhibitor from the following:
 - Cage Decoration (100 pts)
 - Conformation (100pts)
 - Written Test (100 pts)

13. Cat body part questions for the written test activity and cat knowledge portion of the showmanship presentation will be taken from the following publications. Make sure you have the **2005 version**. Please see your club leader or Superintendent for copies of the books:
 - Junior Ages 8-10 - **"Purrr-fect Pals!"** - Glossary & body parts listed in "Purrr-fect Pals!"
 - Intermediate Ages 11-13 –**"Climbing Up!"** - Glossary & body parts listed in "Purrr-fect Pals!"
 - Senior Ages 14-18 – **"Cat Connections"** - Glossary & body parts listed in "Purrr-fect Pals!"

14. Reference materials may **not** be used by participants during the written test activity or during the Cat Knowledge portion of the Showmanship presentation.

15. Ages for classes as of December 31:
 - Junior (8 -10)
 - Intermediate (11-13)
 - Senior (14-18)

16. Please read all the General Information and Rules, Exhibitor Rules and 4-H Livestock Division Rules . Animal care and housing form must be on record with the ext office.

Premiums will be:

Class Champion \$5, Reserve Champion \$3, and Third High Blue (3rd Place) \$2

The Danish system will be used to determine ribbons. All participants will receive an award ribbon for each class based on the quality of the performance/exhibit and how well standards are met. Blue, Red, and White Ribbons will be awarded.

- **Blue:** Exhibit meets standards, is of high quality (well done)
- **Red:** Exhibit meets standards and is of good quality/average quality or is of high quality but missing a minor requirement.
- **White:** Exhibit does not meet all standards/requirements; needs improvement.

Cat Classes

- Class 1- **Showmanship Junior Novice** (1st year in project)
- Class 2- **Showmanship Junior Open** (2nd year and up)
- Class 3- **Showmanship Novice** (1st year in project)
- Class 4- **Showmanship Intermediate Open** (2nd year and up)
- Class 5- **Showmanship Senior Novice** (1st year in project)
- Class 6- **Showmanship Senior Open** (2nd year and up)
- Class 7- **Kitten** (4 months to 8 months as of show day)
- Class 8- **Senior Cat** (Over 8 years old as of show day)
- Class 9- **Purebred Cat** (judged by breed standards)
- Class 10- **Household Pet** (Long Hair)
- Class 11- **Household Pet** (Short Hair)
- Class 12- **Cage Decorating Contest** (Junior)
- Class 13- **Cage Decorating Contest** (Intermediate)
- Class 14- **Cage Decorating Contest** (*Senior*)

Cat Toy OR Equipment

This is an optional contest that is strictly for fun. You can design and make your own cat toy or cat equipment, use your imagination! You are welcome to enter more than one. This is a county level contest only.

- Class 18- **Cat Toy** (Junior)
- Class 19- **Cat Toy** (Intermediate)
- Class 20- **Cat Toy** (Senior)

Cloverbud Class (FREE)

Cloverbud 4-Her's (ages 5 – 7) can participate in their own little "Stuffed Cat Show" at this year's County Fair. Cloverbuds who want to participate should bring their stuffed cat(s) and décor to decorate their cage, and they will have the opportunity to participate in Showmanship and Confirmation. There will be a separate area designated for Cloverbuds, they are not allowed to handle live cats and they will receive participation ribbons only. Please enter on county entry day to participate. All registered Cloverbuds should check-in the morning of the cat show during regular check-in time.

LLAMA/ALPACA SHOW

Superintendent: Stacy Cantu
Assistant Superintendent: Tara Cantu

Fees: \$5.00 per class (Obstacle, Public Relations, Pack, and Costume Contest) per exhibitor for the 4-H/FFA show

Stalling:

Llama/alpaca must arrive at the fairgrounds on Opening Saturday of Fair, between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. You **MUST** have your **vet check certification** with you at gate check in. If you do not you will have to pay the county vet on the spot for a certification to enter the fairgrounds.

General Rules:

1. Any unruly llama/alpaca will be removed from the show. The superintendent or judge may rule an animal as unruly, as required.
2. Contestant must be 4-H/FFA members enrolled in the El Paso County llama/alpaca project as of May 1 of current year.
3. Once at the fairgrounds, the 4-H/FFA member must care for the llama/alpaca (except in matters of safety which will be at the digression of the superintendent and/or extension agent).
4. All Llama/Alpaca's will be stalled during the week of fair.
5. Exhibitors **MUST** clean stalls daily by 9:00 AM and are **REQUIRED** to walk their animal(s) daily for exercise.
6. All Llama/Alpaca members are responsible for providing fresh feed and water to their animals by 9:00 AM daily.
7. Providing space availability each Llama/Alpaca club(s) will have an extra stall for food, bedding and stall cleaning materials.
8. A health certificate will be required for all animals entering the fairgrounds, to be handed in at the gate during load-in. There will be a discount health check day offered through the large animal committee, prior to fair. Health certificates may not be more than 14 days old.
9. Age Divisions (December 31st of current 4-H year)
 - a. Junior 8-10
 - b. Intermediate 11-13
 - c. Senior 14-18
10. All youth must enter their llamas/alpacas animal IDs in 4HOnline by May 1 of the current in order to participate in county fair. The youth must have practiced and worked with the animal on several occasions within the last 60 days. Each llama/alpaca can only be IDed and shown by two exhibitors maximum.

Llama/Alpaca Classes:

Class 1: Showmanship

A Showmanship class is a demonstration of the handler's ability to show his/her animal to its best advantage at halter. Judging is based on the exhibitor's skills in fitting, grooming, animal knowledge, following directions, and showing style when presenting the animal to the judge. The animal's conformation is not considered. Handler's attire should be neat, clean, and appropriate. Dark jeans or skirt, Western or white shirt or blouse and sturdy shoes or boots. Champions and Reserve Champions in the three age divisions will be given the chance to compete in the Specialty Master Showman.

Class 2: Obstacle

This class demonstrates the llamas/alpacas obedience and willingness to complete the activities requested by the handler. Obstacles may include, but not limited to, a bridge or ramp, jumps, change of pace, and backing. Ribbons will be awarded.

Class 3: Public Relations (PR)

This class tests llamas/alpacas ability to participate in community events. PR obstacles may include stairs or ramps, petting, backing and picking up a foot or showing teeth. Ribbons will be awarded.

Class 4: Pack

This class simulates the condition and obstacles encountered when packing on the trail. All packs must have two straps (belly and chest straps are acceptable) and panniers must be filled out. Obstacles may include a bridge or ramp and backing. Alpacas are permitted to use dog or goat packs and must be filled with something light. Ribbons will be awarded. Parents are asked to gather and help to set up area for the pack so that the show can start on time and the area can be made safe for youth and spectators.

Class 5: Best of Show

This class is judged on the Best of Show among all the llama/alpaca entered in the show. This score is derived by adding class 2,3, and 4 together. This class is judged on the best performance score from all youth and llama/alpaca entered into the show. This award will be given at Achievement Awards.

Class 6: Llama/Alpaca Premier Exhibitor:

Signups for this class must be completed in Fair Entry. Interviews will be conducted at fair. An announcement will be made about the date and time for interviews. Award will be given at Achievement Awards.

The Following Criteria and points will be used:

- **Showmanship Score:** 0-10 points maximum (100 points = 10 points, 50 points = 5 points, etc.)
- **Specialty Classes:** 0-20 points maximum (5 points for each class entered)
 - Specialty Class 1: Costume Contest
 - Specialty Class 2: Interactive Display
 - Specialty Class 3: Educational Display
 - Specialty Class 4: Most Creative Obstacle
- **Record Book Score:** 10 points max (100% - 10 points, 89% - 8.9 points, etc)
- **Quiz Score:** 25 points (or actual score on quiz)
- **Interview:** 0-25 points
 - Will be held at County Fair

Specialty Class 1: Costume Contest

This class is judged on the costume on both member and llama/alpaca. The more coverage the llama/alpaca tolerates, the higher the score. Members must submit information for the announcer to read about the costume and member as the member enters the ring. Ribbons will be awarded to participants.

Specialty Class 2: Llama/Alpaca Interactive Display:

This is a project where the 4-H member will talk about something they learned this year in the llama/alpaca project (example topics: grooming, fiber demo, health check, obstacle demo, etc). Sign up for day and time will be at stalling. Ribbons will be awarded.

Specialty Class 3: Llama/Alpaca Educational Display:

Make a tri-fold board or project showcasing a skill learned during the current 4-H year in llama/alpaca project. This will be displayed in the Whittemore building. Ribbons will be given.

Specialty Class 4: Most Creative Obstacle:

After the pack show the 4-H member will create their own obstacle and present it in the arena to be judged. Ribbons will be awarded.

Llama Limbo (Time Permitting):

This is open to the public for adults and children to participate in. Ribbons will be awarded to participant. Llama/alpaca 4-H members are encouraged to sign up so they can show other's how to handle llamas/alpacas and help the project group.