

SECTION 10 – RABBIT & CAVY SHOW

FRIDAY, JULY 12TH AT 2PM

Rules and Regulations 2024
New York State Livestock Requirements
& General Rules apply
Age of Exhibitor



All exhibitors must come on Monday, July 8th – 6PM to the fairgrounds to scrub and wash their cages & pens and on after removal of their rabbits or cavies on Sunday, July 14th to again wash and dis-assemble and putting away cages. In past years, this has not been done and it will be a mandatory requirement to be considered as part of showing your animals!

- (a) Please NO Gerbils, Hamsters, Rats or Mice.
- (b) **Rabbits & Cavies must be checked in by 6P.M. on Tuesday, July 9th**
Rabbits & Cavies must be brought to the fair in a suitable carrying case or cage. Any exhibitor wishing to bring an animal in prior to official check in time must contact the 4-H office or the superintendent to make special arrangements.
- (c) No animal can be placed in a coop until it is checked for disease(s). Any animal found to be diseased (e.g. ear canker, snuffles, sore hocks, diarrhea) will not be accepted. Animals will be refused at the veterinarian's discretion or their designated agent and/or the superintendent.
- (d) The exhibitor will be responsible for placing the rabbits and cavies in the assigned coops, and attaching the entry tag to the coop.
 - All entries will be cooped unless otherwise notified by superintendent.
 - Aquariums not allowed!
 - **Entry Information must be correct as to: sex, class, variety, color and breed** or the exhibit will be disqualified from purebred class and re-directed to mixed/pet class.
- (e) **Ownership as of June 1st.** Rabbits must be tattooed prior to exhibiting at the fair.
 - Permanent ear markings are required.
 - Rabbits must be 3 months old and meet minimum ARBA breed weight standards
- (f) Classes will be provided for Jr. & Sr. rabbits of mixed breeds, if numbers warrant it.
- (g) Rabbits and Cavies will be judged and regarded on the Danish System, but "A.R.B.A. Standards" will be followed, **includes a long-sleeved, white shirt to be worn.**
- (h) **Cavies - as classified divisions: Senior** - (more than 2 lbs.) - **Intermediate** - (less than 6 mos. old /weigh between 1 lb. 6oz - 2 lbs.) - **Junior** - (less than 4 mos. old and less than 1 lb.6 oz.).
- (i) Any animal not on the judging table when the class is called may be disqualified, per judge's discretion.
- (j) **Showmanship is required for all exhibitors.** Only exhibitors will be allowed in roped-off area at judging time. Ribbons and awards will be given out at judging time.
- (k) **CLOVERBUDS** can only show in Showmanship class and may enter only ONE animal
- (l) **Entry Limit:** a total of: **Eight (8) Rabbits and Four (4) Cavy entries.** (However, only **ONE premium** per breed class will be paid).

- (m) **ANIMAL PROJECT RECORD** - one project record is needed for one project animal that a 4-H'er has. If showing more than one species, the 4-H'er should only pick one animal. Website: <http://cortland.cce.cornell.edu/4-h-youth/cortland-jr-fair>
- (n) **NON-OWNED ANIMAL(s)** accompanied with a **non-ownership certificate** must be properly filled out, along with registration papers to prove designation by June 1st. Youth are **limited to ONE (1) non-owned rabbit** at the fair. Website: <http://cortland.cce.cornell.edu/4-h-youth/cortland-jr-fair>
- Youth may register **TWO (2) Non-Owned Animal Rabbits-** "*but may only show one*" at the fair.
 - **A designated non-owned project animal** must be shown only by registered exhibitor and not by youth owner.
 - **Dual designation of one animal is not permitted.**
- (o) 4-H Club signs and displays encouraged.
- (p) Each exhibitor must assume complete responsibility for his/her exhibit while at the fair, including care, feeding and showing -- *according to show rules. Fan must be provided by Exhibitor* for their animal's comfort.
- (q) Exhibitors of Rabbits and Cavies who receive a blue ribbon will be allowed to represent the Cortland County 4-H Program at the NYS Fair 4-H Rabbit Show
- (r) **In Place:** Rabbits in place on Tuesday, 6PM.

Released: All animals will be released on Sunday between 6:00 - 8:00 a.m.

CLEAN UP FOR THE BARNs – WILL BEGIN AT 6:00 A.M. SUNDAY MORNING.

Ag Corp. Building areas: We ask all exhibitors & families to participate and to remove the trash, animals and tack and personal items from your area so that the skidder will be able to clean out the bed packs otherwise please clean and wash your cages that your animals were housed in.

**It is not the responsibility of the staff or Fairboard directors and volunteers!*

COMMERCIAL	◆ Junior Does - 4-6 mos.	◆ Junior Buck- 4-6 mos.
RABBIT	◆ Intermediate Does- 6-8 mos.	◆ Intermediate - Buck-6-8 mos.
BREEDS	◆ Senior Does - over 8 mos.	◆ Senior Buck - over 8 mos.

SIX CLASS BREEDS:

American:

- ◆ Blue or White

Californian:

Champagne :

French Lop:

- ◆ Solid or Broken

Angora:

- ◆ Black, Blue, or white

Crème D'Argent:

Palomino:

- ◆ Golden or Lynx

Bevern:

Cinnamon:

D'Argent:

Giant:

English Lop:

- ◆ Solid or Broken

American Checkered Giant: ◆ Black, Blue, American Chinchilla or Giant Chinchilla

Flemish Giant: ◆ Black, Blue, Light Gray, Steel Gray, Fawn, White or Hotot

New Zealand: ◆ Black, Red or White

Satin: ◆ Black, Blue, Broken, Californian, Chinchilla, Chocolate, Copper, Red, Siamese, White, Silver Fox.

FANCY BREEDS:	• Junior Does & Bucks – under 6-months, but at least 3-months
	• Senior Does & Bucks - over 6-mos.

FOUR CLASS BREEDS

American Sable:**Dwarf Hotot****English Angora:**

- ◆ White
- ◆ Colored

English Angora Wool

- ◆ All Colors

English Spot:

- ◆ Blue
- ◆ Black
- ◆ Chocolate
- ◆ Gold
- ◆ Gray
- ◆ Lilac
- ◆ Tortoise
- ◆ Florida White

French Angora:

- ◆ White
- ◆ Colored

French Angora Wool:**Harlequin:**

- ◆ Japanese
- ◆ Magpie

Polish:

- ◆ Blue or Black
- ◆ Chocolate
- ◆ Blue-eyed

Mini Rex:

- ◆ Black or Blue

Havana:

- ◆ Blue
- ◆ Black or Chocolate
- ◆ Broken
- ◆ Californian
- ◆ Caster
- ◆ Chinchilla
- ◆ Chocolate
- ◆ Lilac
- ◆ Lynx
- ◆ Opal
- ◆ Otter
- ◆ Red
- ◆ Sable Point
- ◆ Seal
- ◆ Tortoise
- ◆ White

Netherland Dwarf:**Rex:**

- ◆ Amber
- ◆ Black
- ◆ Black Otter
- ◆ Blue or Broken

Rhineland:**Satin**

- ◆ White or Colored
- ◆ Californian
- ◆ Caster
- ◆ Chinchilla
- ◆ Chocolate
- ◆ Lilac
- ◆ Lynx
- ◆ Opal
- ◆ Red
- ◆ Sable
- ◆ Seal or white

Satin Angora:

- ◆ White or colored
- ◆ Belgian Hare
- ◆ Britannia petite
- ◆ Black Otter
- ◆ Ruby Eyed White
- ◆ Stand Chincilla

Satin Angora Wool

- ◆ All Colors

Silver

- ◆ Brown
- ◆ Black
- ◆ Fawn

Silver Martin

- ◆ Blue
- ◆ Black
- ◆ Chocolate
- ◆ Sable

Tan:

- ◆ Blue
- ◆ Black
- ◆ Chocolate
- ◆ Lilac

Thrianta**White**

- ◆ Ruby-eyed

4-H YOUTH RABBIT SHOW - FRIDAY, JULY 12TH AT 2:00pm

CLASS# RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP: (see general rules)

- 131 (A) Cloverbud (B) Beginner 1-2 Yrs.
 (C) Intermediate 3-4 Yrs. (D) Advanced 5+ Yrs.

RABBIT PUREBRED CLASSES

- 132 Senior Buck
 133 Senior Doe
 134 Intermediate Buck (commercial breeds only)
 135 Intermediate Doe (commercial breeds only)
 136 Junior Buck
 137 Junior Doe

*Note: Purebred rabbits and cavies that are eliminated or disqualified from purebred class may be directed to mixed/pet class at the judge's discretion. *Must be 3-mos. of age or older for fair admittance.*



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- 138 Senior Buck (over 6 mos.)
 139 Senior Doe (over 6 mos.)

RABBIT MIXED/PET CLASSES-

(ALL BREEDS OF PET RABBITS WILL FALL INTO EITHER SR. BUCK, SR. DOE, JR BUCK OR JR DOE)

- 140 Junior Buck (under 6 mos. but at least 3 mos.)
 141 Junior Doe (under 6 mos. but at least 3 mos.)

CAVY SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES

- 142 (A) Cloverbud (B) Beginner 1-2 Yrs.
 (C) Intermediate 3-4 Yrs. (D) Advanced 5+ Yrs.

CAVY PUREBRED

- 143 Senior Boar – (over 2 lbs.) in each breed
 144 Senior Sow - (over 2 lbs.) in each breed
 145 Intermediate Boar – (less than 6 mos.- 1 lb. 6 oz. – 2 lbs.) in each breed
 146 Intermediate Sow - (less than 6 mos.- 1 lb. 6 oz. – 2 lbs.) in each breed
 147 Junior Boar – (under 4 mos.-less than 1 lb. 6 oz.) in each breed
 148 Junior Sow – (under 4 mos.- less than 1 lb. 6 oz.) in each breed

CAVY MIXED/PET CLASSES

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- 149 Sr. Boar (151) Intermediate Boar (153) Jr. Boar
 150 Sr. Sow (152) Intermediate Sow (154) Jr. Sow
 155 **POSTER CONTEST** – All posters must be 22”x 28” and hung in Rabbit & Poultry – Judging Tuesday, after 4 p.m. - **Theme: “Grows with 4-H Green”.**
 156 **4-H RABBIT SCIENCE DECATHALON** – (sign up sheet in 4-H Youth Building)
Anatomy & Physiology (involves questions about mammalian digestive systems, body parts, bones etc.) .
Nutrition (involves questions about feed content, water and feed requirements, nutritional needs for different stages of development).
Housing & Equipment (involves questions about hutches, cages, floor space, nest boxes, feeders, ventilation, environment in general).
Health & Diseases (includes questions about any health problem, identification of symptoms, treatments).
Terminology (may include questions about breed standards).
Reproduction & Genetics (involves questions about sexing, responsible breeding practices, general inheritance patterns).
Breed Identification (All participants will identify 5 breeds of live rabbits).
 ♦ **YOU MUST FILL OUT A VOUCHER SHEET TO RECORD ALL YOUR PROJECT ENTRIES ON THE FORM INCLUDING YOUR ANIMAL ENTRIES IN ALL SPECIES-**
 ♦ **NO VOUCHER SHEET – NO PREMIUMS!**

All awards are listed in the back of the fair book and may be changed or deleted, if necessary, by staff or judge.