4-H, FFA & OTHER YOUTH FAIR PREMIUM BOOK

September 18 - 24, 2022

St. Joseph County Grange Fair
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Fair Admission, Ticket and Camping Information

2022 St. Joseph County Grange Fair

Gate Admission Passes

Fair gates open at 8:00 a.m. each day Sunday, September 18 through Saturday, September 24.

Adults	\$8.00
Children (10 years and under)	FREE
Season Pass (1 person only):	
Purchased before Sept. 1Purchased Sept. 1 and after	
Parking (Sunday through Saturday)	FREE
Livestock Exhibitor Weekly Pass (Covers 1 person)	\$30.00
Special Day Prices (8:00 a.m. to closing)	
Senior Citizens' Day (Wednesday)	\$5.00
Ladies' Day (Thursday)	\$5.00
Veterans' Day (Friday)	\$5.00

Grandstand Show Tickets

No refunds on show tickets. No smoking is allowed in grandstands or bleachers. No laser lights are allowed in the grandstand or track.

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Harness Racing			FREE
Grandstand Shows:			
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Sunday - Farm Truck F	Pulls & Se	emi Pulls	
	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$5.00
Monday - Super Kicker	Rodeo		
	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$5.00
Tuesday - TNT Figure	Eight Rad	ce	
	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$5.00
Wednesday - TNT Bun	np N Run	and Demo Derby	y
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Thursday - PETTY NIC	KS - Trib	oute Band to Tor	n Petty &
	Ste	vie Nicks	
		\$15.00	\$15.00
Friday - NTPA Modified	Truck &	Tractor Pulls	
	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$5.00
Saturday - NTPA Modif	fied Truck	k & Tractor Pulls	
\$	20.00	\$10.00	\$5.00

Michigan State Law Regarding Fair Admissions: Any person who shall wrongfully or maliciously gain admission to the fairgrounds contrary to the rules of said society, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be subject to a fine of not less than one (1) or more than twenty-five (25) dollars, or imprisonment not exceeding thirty (30) days, or such fine and imprisonment both, at the discretion of the court before whom the offender may be tried.

Fair Camping

Reserve your camp site now for \$220.00. Call 269-467-8935 for reservations! All prices are subject to change.

\$30.00/night
\$30.00/night
\$45.00/person
\$8.00/person
FREE

St. Joseph County Grange Fair camping rules (In accordance with the Michigan Health Department):

- The electric company requires all extension cords to be 12 ga. or larger.
- All campers in the upgraded area will require a 30amp RV plug or adapter.
- All campers, including pre-registered campers MUST check in with the camping office upon arrival to fill out papers and get passes.
- All campers MUST pay upon arrival
- All campers MUST have a permit
- All campers use Nottawa Drive-in Gate
- NO water hoses may stay connected to public water supply
- NO Gray Water pits
- · No campfires or fire pits allowed
- Bicycles are NOT allowed on fairgrounds
- Each person in the camper must have a season pass, which can be purchased from the camping superintendent.
- All pets brought to the Fairgrounds must have appropriate papers and shots and be confined to the immediate campsite area. Pets may NOT accompany owners into commercial buildings, livestock barns, or on the grounds outside of the owner's campsite. Violation will be grounds for expulsion from the Fairgrounds and campsite with no refund.
- All pets shall be on a 6' leash and never unattended
- Only one (1) car per campsite
- NO refunds to persons leaving early.
- Camping superintendent has the authority to ask campers to move or leave the grounds.



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Carcass Sheep Evaluation	TBD
Carcass Beef Evaluation	TBD

Thursday, September 15

4-H Dog Show (Day 1)	5:00 p.m.
4-H Cat Show	6:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 17

4-H Dog Show (Day 2)	8:30 a.m.
4-H Still Exhibit Projects	9:00 a.m.
4-H Poultry Show	1:00 p.m.

*ALL TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE



... To Make the Best Better.

Sunday, September 18

4-H Horse Show (Day 1)	8:30 a.m.
4-H Rabbit Show	9:00 a.m.
4-H Livestock Skill-A-Thon	11:00 a.m.
4-H Swine Evaluations	11:00 a.m.
4-H Goat Evaluations	12:00 p.m.
4-H Sheep Evaluations	1:00 p.m.
4-H Beef Evaluations	2:00 p.m.
4-H Dairy Cattle Evaluations	
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Monday, September 19

4-H Horse Show (Day 2)	8:30 a.m.
4-H & Open Class Goat Show	8:30 a.m.
4-H Swine Show	9:30 a.m.

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4-H Horse Show (Day 3)	8:30 a.m.
4-H Beef Cattle Show	
4-H Dairy Beef Show	9:00 a.m.
4-H Sheep Show	4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 21

4-H & Open Class Dairy Cattle Show	10:00 a.m.
4-H Demonstrations/Performances/	
Public Speaking/Illustrated Talks	1:00 p.m.
4-H Animal Project Demonstrations.	3:00 p.m.
4-H "Style Revue"	TBD

Thursday, September 22

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Friday, September 23

7:00 p.m.
9:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 24

4-H Horse Show (Day 4)	8:00 a.m.
Livestock Judging Contest	10:00 a.m.

St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Program

Sponsorship: The St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Program is the non-formal youth educational component of Michigan State University Extension, which is jointly funded by the United States Department of Agriculture, Michigan State University, St. Joseph County Grange Fair Association and the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners. Many St. Joseph County businesses, civic organizations and private individuals provide materials and financial support for the 4-H program.

4-H Clubs: 4-H clubs are comprised of groups of five or more young people between the ages of 5 and 19 years in urban, suburban, small town and rural settings. 4-H clubs carry out a wide variety of educational projects in civic and community service, agriculture, home economics and other areas. Volunteer adult leaders and older 4-H members enrolled in the 4-H Teen Leadership project give 4-H members direction and leadership.

4-H clubs function democratically. 4-H members run their own clubs with the guidance of adult leaders, elect officers, help plan and hold meetings and select educational projects. Each club drafts its programs to suit its members and the localities in which they live.

Current Situation: 102 Cloverbud members ages 5-7 and 464 4-H members ages 8-19 are enrolled in 4-H this year (2022). These youth are members of one or more of the 23 4-H clubs in the county. These 4-H members have planned and conducted meetings and completed projects with the help and guidance of over 150 adult volunteer leaders and 28 teen leaders.

Emblem Colors and Pledge: The national 4-H emblem is a four-leaf clover with a letter "H" on each leaf. Club colors are green and white. The white background on the 4-H flag symbolizes purity. The green of the emblem represents nature's most common color, and is symbolic of youth, life and growth. The national 4-H pledge reads as follows:

I pledge My head to clearer thinking,

My <u>heart</u> to greater loyalty, My <u>hands</u> to larger service, My <u>health</u> to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

Contributions made by local businesses, civic organizations and private individuals help provide 4-H citizenship, leadership and "life skills" development activities throughout the year.



4-H Youth Division Code of Conduct for Exhibition at the St. Joseph County Grange Fair

In an effort to promote high standards of character and service to community the St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board, MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development and the St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council endorse the following code of conduct, which represent:

Conduct Expectations: Fair and 4-H officials expect courteous and orderly conduct by exhibitors and fair attendants. Harassment, profanity or unsportsmanlike conduct toward officials, judges, show manager, staff, leaders or other exhibitors will not be tolerated.

Members:

All 4-H members in St. Joseph County MSU Extension activities will:

- Accept their responsibility to represent St. Joseph County 4-H and MSU Extension programs with dignity and pride by being positive role models.
- Conduct themselves in a courteous and respectful manner and exhibit good sportsmanship.
- Respect, adhere to and enforce the rules, policies and guidelines established by St. Joseph County 4-H and MSU Extension programs.
- Abstain from and not tolerate physical or verbal abuse, profanity or threatening behavior.
- Comply with equal opportunity and antidiscrimination laws.
- · Abstain from criminal activities.
- Under no circumstances, possess, sell or consume alcohol or possess, sell or use controlled substances or use any form of tobacco at an MSU Extension activity or event.
- Under no circumstances, attend or participate in an MSU Extension activity or event under the influence of alcohol and/or controlled substances.
- Operate machinery, vehicles and other equipment in a responsible manner
- Accept and respect decisions made by the St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council and MSU Extension Staff.
- Under no circumstances steal or misuse 4-H property and/or donated funds

Failure to follow the code of conduct can result in discipline and penalties as stated on page 9.

Volunteers:

All 4-H Volunteer Leaders in St. Joseph County MSU Extension Activities will:

- Accept their responsibility to represent St. Joseph County 4-H and MSU Extension programs with dignity and pride by being positive role models.
- Conduct themselves in a courteous and respectful manner and exhibit good sportsmanship.
- Respect, adhere to and enforce the rules, policies and guidelines established by St. Joseph County 4-H and MSU Extension programs.
- Abstain from and not tolerate physical or verbal abuse or profanity.
- Comply with equal opportunity and anti-discrimination laws.
- Avoid criminal activities.

- Under no circumstances, possess, sell or consume alcohol or possess, sell or use controlled substances at an MSU Extension activity or event.
- Under no circumstances, attend or participate in an MSU Extension activity or event under the influence of alcohol and/or controlled substances.
- Accept the responsibility to promote and support MSU Extension program to develop an effective, county, state and national program.
- Operate machinery, vehicles and other equipment in a responsible manner.
- Accept and respect decisions made by the St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council and MSU Extension Staff.
- Under no circumstances steal or misuse 4-H property and/or donated funds.

It is imperative that all MSU Extension volunteers comply with the St. Joseph County 4-H Code of Conduct.

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St. Joseph County Grange Fair 4-H/FFA & Other Youth Division

General Rules

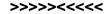
- Exhibitor Eligibility: Entry in the 4-H/FFA & Other Youth Division is open to all youth ages 8-19 by January 1 (Cloverbud members ages 5-7 by January 1) of current year who are duly enrolled (at the St. Joseph County MSU Extension Office) members of a St. Joseph County 4-H club or FFA chapter, or any other youth. Members must be enrolled by May 1.
- 2. **Exhibit Eligibility:** Following are the rules governing exhibit eligibility:
 - A. Exhibitors may enter only one exhibit per class, unless otherwise noted.
 - B. The youth exhibitor must complete all exhibits.
 - C. School projects are not eligible as 4-H exhibits.
 - D. Exhibitors may not exhibit in a class that they have exhibited in at another fair during the current year.
 - E. Youth exhibitors may not enter an exhibit that has been exhibited at another fair.
 - F. 4-H members may not participate in St. Joseph County Sweepstakes if participated in a sweepstakes contest in another county in the current year.
- 3. **Liability:** The following is the policy of the St. Joseph County Grange Fair Association:
 - The St. Joseph County Grange Fair Association, its agents, volunteers and employees shall not be held liable in case of injury to exhibitors, concessionaires, or the public on the grounds of the St. Joseph County Grange Fair.
 - Every possible protection and courtesy will be extended to all at the St. Joseph County Grange Fair, but the St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board/Association shall not be responsible for any loss of exhibits, animals or equipment in case of fire, theft or loss from any other cause.
- Entries: Each exhibitor must complete and submit a 4-H/FFA & Other Youth Division Entry Form by Monday, August 15, 2022. Horse entry forms are due by

- **August 2, 2022.** Both deadlines are subject to change. Forms available online for download at https://www.canr.msu.edu/st_joseph/4-h/4_h_fair
- 5. **Still Project Excused Absence:** 4-H/FFA members who are unable (for a valid and excused reason) to be present for their still exhibits evaluation must:
 - A. Contact the Extension 4-H Program Coordinator prior to the fair to request approval of the absence.
 - B. Complete a one-page "Absentee Project Report Form" for each still project.
 - C. Arrange to have project(s) and absentee project report(s) delivered to the fair during the regular still exhibit project evaluation time.
- Livestock Excused Absence: 4-H/FFA members who are unable (for a valid and excused reason) to be present for their livestock evaluations must:
 - A. Contact the Extension 4-H Program Coordinator prior to the fair to request approval of the absence.
 - B. Complete a Market or Breeding record book for each livestock project for which he/she is enrolled.
 - C. Arrange to have project(s) and Market or Breeding record book delivered to the 4-H Program Coordinator by 5:00 p.m. Friday, September 9, 2022.
 - D. Make up Skill-A-Thon.
- 7. **Emergency Absence:** Emergency absences should be brought to the attention of the Extension 4-H Program Coordinator **in writing** as soon as possible for approval.
- 8. Fair Passes and Exhibit Tags (subject to change):
 - A. Exhibitors (11-19 years of age) and registered 4-H leaders and FFA advisors will be issued a fair admission pass. Livestock Exhibitor Auto Passes will also be distributed, one per eligible family, at the same time.
 - B. Still project exhibitors must have their exhibit tag(s) in hand before starting through the project evaluation process. Exhibit tags can be picked up in Building #46 (red barn) on Saturday, September 17, 2022 starting at 8:30 a.m.

9. Judging:

- A. The judge's decision is final.
- B. All animal and still project exhibits will be judged according to the "Danish" (A, B, C) judging system unless otherwise noted. Each exhibit will be judged on its individual merit and an A, B or C ribbon and associated premium awarded accordingly.
- C. All other classes will be judged in competition against each other and 1st-8th place "placing" ribbons and premiums awarded as indicated for each class.
- D. Cloverbuds are encouraged to exhibit the work they complete in their 4-H groups or clubs. The setting must be noncompetitive, with equal recognition given to all participants. Participation ribbons will be given to all participants in Cloverbud classes.
- 10. Premiums: Premium table numbers are listed directly under each section heading (and in some cases for a given class), and refer to one of the premium payment tables inside back cover of the fair book. Note: In the event the receipts of the fair or MDA funding are insufficient to pay the expenses and premiums in full, the premiums will be prorated among those entitled to premiums.
- 11. 4-H Livestock members DO NOT NEED a current Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) certification on file at the MSU Extension office for 2022.

- 12. **Ribbons/Rosettes:** Ribbons/rosettes will be awarded in all classes as specified in the Departments, Sections and Classes detailed in this book.
- 13. Trophies/Plaques: 4-H and FFA exhibitors who have been awarded a trophy, plaque or other special award must write a "thank you" note to each donor(s) in order to take the award(s) home at the conclusion of fair week. The "thank you" note must be properly addressed, stamped and submitted in exchange for the award in Building No. 43 10:00 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 24, 2022. The 4-H St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council sells special 4-H "thank you" note cards (including pre-stamped envelope) at the 4-H Fair Office. The cost is \$2.00 per card/envelope "set".
- 14. **Special Awards:** Special awards (rosettes, trophies, plaques, gift certificates, etc.) will be given only for those exhibits judged worthy of this recognition by the judge.
- 15. Special Award Codes:
 - (P) = plaque
 - (R) = rosette appropriate to class
 - (T) = trophy
 - (PR) = plaque & rosette appropriate to class
 - (TR) = trophy & rosette appropriate to class
- 16. **Project Guidelines:** Refer to specific project guidelines (where they exist) for information on exhibit requirements.
- 17. Exhibit and Animal Release: All still project exhibits will be available to take home 10:00 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 24, 2022 and 9:00 a.m. 12:00 noon on Sunday, September 25, 2022. All animal project exhibits will be released at 5:30 a.m. on Sunday, September 25, 2022. Attention: A fine will be assessed against any and all premiums earned on any and all exhibits removed prior to the published release times without the permission of the St. Joseph County 4-H Program Coordinator and the St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board.
- 18. **Unclaimed Exhibits:** Any project exhibit not picked up by October 31 will either be donated to charity or disposed of as appropriate.
- 19. **Solicitations:** Solicitations of any nature on the fairgrounds except by contracted concession or commercial rental spaces are prohibited.
- 20. Advertising/Free Merchandise: No person will be permitted to post or display signs, or distribute handbills or merchandise except under fair contract.
- 21. Pets: No pets are allowed on the fairgrounds.
- 22. **No Smoking Regulation:** No smoking in any building or tent on the fairgrounds by order of the fire marshal.
- Golf/ATV/Off-Road Vehicles Policy: Please check with the St. Joseph County Grange Fair at (269) 467-8935 or https://centrevillefair.com/fair-week-info/rules-and-policies/.
- 24. Open Class: The St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board passed the following rule regarding cross-over into open class: 4-H youth exhibitors may enter the same animals in appropriate classes in the Open Class division of the fair if they do so by the open class entry deadline, August 19, 2022. The 4-H exhibitor will pay entry fees and housing fees.



General 4-H Livestock Rules

Introduction: The 4-H program is educational by design. Its first priority is to help youth develop character, community service and skills in preparation of serving others in society. Members should strive to present the animals they have in the best manner possible. Each member should willingly teach others the things they have learned and are learning in 4-H. Because of the priority of developing high character and service to others, all livestock exhibitors and families will care for and prepare their animals for showing in the areas designated by the appropriate livestock superintendent so that 4-H members and families can learn from each other.

Preparation, Care & Exhibition of Animals

- 1. Animals will be treated Humanely: All 4-H animals shall be brought to the fairgrounds in a clean and presentable fashion. All 4-H members and families shall provide feed and water daily between 6:00 8:00 AM and 6:00 8:00 PM. All 4-H members and families shall not inflict undue pain for any purpose. If there is a question about the appropriateness of any treatment of an animal, the member or family members should get permission from the superintendent before implementing the practice. Abusive use of show aids will not be tolerated. Parents may intervene if safety or excessive handling is observed.
- "Report to Superintendent Immediately" tags will be placed on any pen where animals have <u>not</u> been properly cared for by the exhibitor; Explanation of tagging process:
 1st yellow tag = warning verbal. 2nd yellow tag = written warning. Red tag results in loss of privileges and may result in loss of monies. Refer to 4-H project Animal Certification/Care form for full details.
- 3. Proper Fitting and Representation of Animal Information: The exhibitor is responsible for preparing their animal for presentation during the show. Immediate family members, grandparents, legal guardians, other current year St. Joseph County 4-H members or St. Joseph County 4-H leaders may assist them. It is expected that the animals will be washed and clipped as allowed in species rules. Tampering with the color or quality of the animal's coat is not allowed unless species rules provide an exception. If there is a question about the appropriateness of a grooming or fitting technique the appropriate superintendent should be consulted for approval prior to using the technique. Tampering or misrepresentation of ownership, breeding, preparation or other irregularity in exhibiting will be considered fraud and deception. Any use of a professional fitter, groomer, arranger, etc. at the fair facilities is prohibited. Violation of this rule, as determined by the appropriate 4-H Species Superintendent and the St. Joseph County 4-H Program Coordinator will result in the disqualification of the exhibitor and the animal(s) will be removed from the fair facilities and market animals will not be sold at the auction. Any individual who is not directly and actively involved in the St. Joseph County Grange Fair program is prohibited from helping groom or otherwise prepare the exhibitor's livestock project for show during fair week. Leaders of groups or clubs recognized by the St. Joseph County MSU Extension staff, St. Joseph County Grange Fair association, Fair

Board members, superintendents, organizational leaders, FFA advisors or current St Joseph County 4-H member, and/or immediate family members/ guardian/grandparent are permitted to assist the youth as necessary. However, the exhibitor must *actively* participate in the grooming of the animal as well. Any violation or infraction will cause disqualification of the exhibit.

- 4. Fraud and Deception: Fraud and/or deception will not be allowed relative to any 4-H exhibit. Fraud and/or deception being defined to include, but not limited to, the following:
 - A. Tampering, altering, and/or misrepresentation relative to 4-H non-livestock projects (i.e., a 4-H non-livestock project may only be exhibited one time at the Fair).
 - B. Tampering, altering, and/or misrepresentation relative to but is not limited to 4-H animal's breeding, age, ownership, and/or method of preparation or completion. (For example, with animal exhibits this includes, but is not limited to coloring that alters or misrepresents breed characteristics, pumping, drenching, and filling).
 - C. Unethical fitting of animal exhibits is defined as the administration of any substance (to include, but not limited to, drugs covered in letter (D) below, blood, oils, steroids, air, chemical substances) or performance of any surgical or nonsurgical procedure altering the animal's configuration or natural conformation of any part of the animal's body, or rendering its tissues unfit for human consumption and is prohibited. Exceptions that are allowed to letters (A) & (B) above include hoof trimming, dehorning, removal of hair, manipulation of normally attached hair, castration, branding, tattooing, ear notching, docking of tails on sheep and swine, and coloring that does not alter or misrepresent breed characteristics.
 - D. THE 4-H MARKET ANIMALS SHALL NOT CONTAIN any identifiable or unidentifiable foreign substance, including drugs, steroids, or chemicals, greater than those standards established by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) or Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as permissible for sale for consumption as human food both on day of show and day of shipment to market from the fair. Test samples that may be collected from any 4-H animal exhibit shall be free of any foreign substance including any steroids, drug or chemical affecting the central nervous system (for example, stimulants, depressants or pain killers). Refusing such tests will result in disqualification and forfeiture of all awards.
 - E. Species superintendent team may file documentation without filing fees if rules A D are not followed.
- Animal Exhibitor Dress Code: Exhibitors may not wear any item that promotes their club's name or logo, a farm name, award(s) won by the exhibitor or species or breed associations while exhibiting in animal classes at the fair.

 Note: Volunteers working at the fair in support of a livestock show must also follow the Animal Exhibitor Dress Code during the show. Exhibitors must be dressed appropriately for shows and evaluations as specified in the St. Joseph County 4-H Fair Book under each species requirements.
- Substitute Exhibitor: An exhibitor/parent/guardian may request permission <u>in writing</u> for a substitute showman from the project superintendent <u>prior to</u> the class being shown. Some valid reasons are: personal emergency or

- an approved scheduling conflict that prevents the exhibitor from being able to show their own animal. The substitute exhibitor must be a current year St. Joseph County 4-H or FFA member. Substitute showmen are not allowed in Showmanship classes.
- Assistant Animal Handlers: Assistant handlers are allowed when an exhibitor has more than one animal in a market class. The assistant handler must be a current year St. Joseph County 4-H or FFA member.
- 8. Accommodations for Youth with Disabilities: Accommodations in judging will be given to exhibitors identified on fair entry forms prior to fair in writing as having a disability (physical, mental, emotional and/or learning) that affects their ability to compete effectively with exhibitors without disabilities. Youth with disabilities may be assisted, as necessary, during project evaluation and/or in the show ring by a parent/guardian, leader or other current St. Joseph County 4-H/FFA member. It will be the responsibility of the "assistant" to inform the judging clerk (in the case of project evaluation) or the show superintendent (in the case of animal science classes) of the reason for his/her presence at the evaluation or in the show ring.
- 9. Coaching is prohibited: Coaching of an exhibitor while they are in the show ring or participating in the evaluation of their project work is prohibited. Coaching is any behavior intended to direct the actions of a given exhibitor during the show or evaluation. Exhibitors determined to be the recipient of coaching may be disqualified from the class at the discretion of the project superintendent, judge and/or St. Joseph County MSU Extension staff. * Parents may intervene if safety or excessive animal handling is observed.
- 10. Examination and Testing of Project Animals: The St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council, St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board of Directors and St. Joseph County MSU Extension staff reserve the right to order the examination or testing of any animal for any reason by officials or veterinarians appointed by any of the abovementioned organizations.
- 11. All 4-H Livestock members/clubs will be held responsible for cleaning and tearing down their project pen/stall at the end of fair. Individuals or clubs maybe assessed a \$50.00 fine for failure to do so.
- 12. All pen/stall cards must be above pen/stalls **by Sunday September 18, 2022** at **12:00 p.m.** Any pen/stall without signs will be yellow tagged.

Filing a Rules Related Complaint

The following procedure will be followed regarding the handling of a 4-H rule violation complaint:

- Contact the appropriate superintendent or assistant superintendent and discuss your concerns with them to determine if rules have been violated. The superintendent may then choose to consult with local St. Joseph County MSU Extension staff. If you are not satisfied with the results of this process, you may file a complaint, see rule 2 and following.
- 2. Any person interested in bringing a 4-H rule violation complaint against a member must complete, sign and submit a "4-H Rule Violation Complaint Form" to the 4-H Program Coordinator within 24 hours of the alleged violation or becoming aware of the situation and within the seven (7) day fair time frame. Every effort should be

made, if possible, to submit a complaint prior to an animal exhibition in a show. If an alleged violation happens after exhibition, a complaint form must be submitted no later than the last Saturday of the current fair week by 7:00 p.m. A \$25 cash filing fee per complaint form is due and payable at the time the complaint is filed. If the complaint is upheld, the filing fee will be refunded.

- The member and/or parent or guardian against whom a 4-H rule violation complaint has been filed has the right to read the complaint.
- 4. The animal may be placed under quarantine until appropriate examination and collection of samples for testing are completed.
- 5. The member or their parent/guardian against whom the complaint is filed (hereafter referred to as the respondent) is required to complete and submit a "4-H Rule Violation Response Form" to the 4-H Program Coordinator within 12 hours of receiving a copy of the "4-H Rule Violation Complaint Form" filed against them. The individual who brought the complaint (hereafter known as the complainant) has the right to read the response form.
- 6. Both the complainant and the respondent will be asked to appear before the 4-H/Executive Council Complaint Committee and Livestock Association representative for a hearing on the matter. Any 4-H member appearing before this committee must have their parents/legal guardians or their designee present and they may speak on behalf of the 4-H member. Each side has a maximum of 10 minutes to present the facts of their case, with the complainant speaking first. Each side also has five minutes for rebuttal. The Committee will deliberate as they determine appropriate and render its decision. Upon the decision it will be final.
- 7. A written copy of the 4-H and Livestock Association Complaint Committee's decision and penalties assessed, if applicable will be delivered by the 4-H Program Coordinator to the respondent and the complainant as soon as possible after a decision has been rendered. If, for any reason, a decision regarding the rule violation cannot be rendered until after the fair, both parties will be notified by mail of the Committee's decision.
- 8. The St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board of Directors has final authority over decisions involving the Fair per the Michigan Department of Agriculture.

4-H/Livestock Association Executive Council Complaint Committee: Committee is comprised of four persons designated by the St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council Executive Council and 4-H Program Coordinator as well as the St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board of 4-H Extension Liaison. Livestock Association Committee members. The 4-H Youth Council President, or their designee, will serve as the chairperson. If there is a conflict of interest with any of the above representatives, the 4-H Program Coordinator will choose a designee to stand in place of said representative.

Fair Management Rights: In addition to the right of protest provided exhibitors, the fair management reserves the right to take cognizance of fraud/deception or violation of rules in connection with a given exhibit and take such action as deemed just and proper. It also reserves the right of the Fair, MSU Extension, or their affiliated organizations to take action in a situation when behavior inappropriate to the purpose of 4-H or FFA that is not explicitly addressed in these rules has occurred.

4-H Project Animal Certification/Care Form: All 4-H members exhibiting animals at the fair are required to complete the "4-H Project Animal Certification/Care Form" and turn it into their club organizational leader by the deadline set by the leader. 4-H club organizational leaders must turn all Project Animal Certification/Care Forms for their club in with fair entry forms by August 12, 2022 (subject to change).

Penalties for 4-H/FFA Member Misconduct

When it is determined that a rule has been violated or misconduct has occurred while exhibiting in the 4-H/FFA & Other Youth Division of the fair, any and all of the following actions may be taken:

- The exhibit in question shall be barred from the show if discovered prior to the show or disqualified if discovered after completion of the class or show. Other animals will be moved up a place.
- Any or all other 4-H/FFA & Other Youth Division exhibits
 of the exhibitor may be disqualified and the animals may
 be made ineligible for the 4-H Market Livestock Sale.
 Should a rule violation be established after a market
 animal has been sold in the 4-H Market Livestock Sales,
 the sale will be voided.
- Awards and/or premiums earned by said exhibitor <u>in any</u> <u>or all</u> 4-H/ FFA & Other Youth departments may be forfeited and/or withheld pending final decision.
- 4. At the discretion of a committee comprised of the 4-H Youth Coordinator, the St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board 4-H Liaison, the St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council Executive Board and Livestock Association, the exhibitor and/or exhibitor's family may be barred from competition at the St. Joseph County Grange Fair for a period of up to three years.

Registration and Check-in

- Ear tags, leg bands and wing bands will be supplied, and tattoo numbers assigned by the St. Joseph County MSU Extension office. 4-H leaders and FFA advisors may borrow tagging pliers and tattoo kits for a maximum of three (3) days only.
- 2. Reweighing, at the request of the exhibitor, is prohibited.
- Fair weigh-in and check-in times are listed in each appropriate section by species.
- 4. All animals must be checked in by exhibitor or immediate family member unless prior arrangements are made in writing and filed at the MSU Extension office 24 hours in advance of check in times at fair.

4-H Livestock Association Market Livestock Sales

- Market animals must be shown at the fair in order to be sold in the 4-H Market Livestock Sales.
- Goats, poultry, rabbits: All market livestock will be consigned to the Small Animal Auction unless the Livestock Removal Authorization Form is submitted to the 4-H office by Tuesday, September 20 by 9:00 a.m.
- Swine, beef, sheep: All market livestock will be consigned to the Large Animal Auction unless the Livestock Removal Authorization Form is submitted to the 4-H office by Wednesday, September 21 by 9:00 a.m.

- 4. The Champion and Reserve Champion goat, steer, lamb and hog carcasses will be sold at the livestock auction.
- Sale Times and Orders (2022): Two sale rings will be auctioning livestock at the same time in the Livestock Show Arena; the small animal sale will be held in the east end and the large animal sale will be held in the west end.
 - Small Animal Sale: 10:00 a.m. Goats, Turkeys, Chickens, Rabbits
 - Large Animal Sale: 10:30 a.m. Market Beef, Dairy Steers, Gallon of Milk, Dairy Feeder Steers, Hogs, Lambs
- 5. Exhibitors showing two individual hogs or two individual lambs will sell their higher placing hog/lamb as an individual in the regular Large Animal Sale. The second individual animal will be sold as part of a weight-group. In the event both hogs or both lambs place as Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion both animals will sell as individuals.
- 6. **Sale Commission Fee:** A three-point five percent (3.5%) sale commission (subject to change without notice) will be charged on <u>each lot</u> sold through the sales.
- 7. **Market Livestock Insurance:** The St. Joseph County Grange Fair, Michigan State University or any of their affiliated organizations provides no insurance coverage for livestock animals. It is the animal owners' responsibility to provide insurance at their own expense and the animal owner is fully responsible for any veterinary fees.
- 8. After The Sale all 4-H members must:
 - A. Post a sign above their animal identifying the buyer and purchase price.
 - B. Care for market animals until they are shipped.
 - C. Write a "thank you" note to the buyer(s) of each individual, pen of market or weight group of livestock sold by the exhibitor and submit the note to the 4-H Fair Office by 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 24, 2022. Sale checks will be held until the thank you note is submitted to the MSU Extension office. Thank you note envelopes must include the buyer's complete address, the exhibitor's return address and the appropriate postage. Buyer names and addresses will be available in Still Exhibit Barn #43 starting at 12:00 noon on Friday, September 23, 2022. Note: A separate thank you must be written to a buyer if they purchased different species. (i.e., bought swine, sheep and rabbits = 3 thank you notes.)
- It is strongly recommended that market livestock not be returned to the farm for animal health reasons.
- 10. Resale of market livestock to a second party other than through the 4-H market livestock sales will be the total and complete responsibility of the parties involved.
- 11. Dairy Feeder Steers may <u>not</u> go for processing following the livestock auction; they **MUST** go to a farm or feedlot for a minimum of 30 days following the conclusion of the fair.

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Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development - Animal Industry Division

2022 Health Requirements for Livestock Exhibited in Michigan

The requirements for livestock exhibited in Michigan: The complete set of requirements can be obtained by downloading them from the Michigan Department of

Agriculture & Rural Development website www.michigan.gov/mda-exhibitinfo or by contacting the fair/exposition staff or livestock entry office.

- point for Reserve Grand Champion market or breeding animal. Additional bonus points awarded for good sportsmanship.
- 3. **Tie breaker order**: 1st-Highest Skill-a-Thon Score, 2nd-Showmanship Placing, 3rd older exhibitor wins
- 4. One top award per eligible species will be given and awards will be given to the top participant in each age group by species. Exhibitors can only win the Overall award one time per species.
- No pre-registration is necessary. Scoring will be tallied in the 4-H Office throughout fair week, and scores are available upon request.
- Winners will be notified by no later than 12:00 p.m. on Thursday of fair week and will be recognized during intermission at the Showmanship Sweepstakes Contest.

- 1647 Champion Sheep Project, Beginner (Special Award)
- 1648 Champion Sheep Project, Intermediate (Special Award)
- 1649 Champion Sheep Project, Advanced (Special Award)
- 1650 Overall Grand Champion Sheep Project (Special Award)

Department 8 - Goats

Diana Yeager, Superintendent Tarina Jansen, Assistant Superintendent

- 1. See www.michigan.gov/mda-exhibitinfo.
- 2. Read and follow "General 4-H Market Livestock Rules" starting on Page 7.
- 3. 4-H Exhibitors will not be allowed to enter or exhibit in this species department if exhibited at another county fair during the current year.
- 4. All Goats intended for exhibition <u>must</u> have a <u>USDA Scrapies tag</u> on the animal either in the ear in order to be housed at the fair. If tattooed, a copy of paperwork must be given to the superintendent PRIOR to being housed. Call MDA to receive a premises identification number at 800-292-3939 then call USDA to order official tags at 866-873-2824.
- 5. All 4-H Goats <u>must</u> weigh-in on June 7, 2022, 5:00 7:00 p.m. *or* June 9, 2022, 5:00 7:00 p.m. at countywide 4-H market and carcass goat weigh/tag/registration day.
- 6. Any market goat that does not weigh 60 lbs. on the day of weigh-in at fair will be sent home. All red neck tags numbers <u>MUST</u> be presented at check-in to be eligible for fair.
- All animals must be checked in by exhibitor or immediate family member unless prior arrangements are made in writing and filed at the MSU Extension office 24 hours in advance of check in times at the fair.
- 8. Check in time at fair for <u>all</u> 4-H goats is Saturday, September 17, 2022, 8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.
- Tying of goats in assigned pens is at the discretion of the exhibitor. Any goat that attempts or does climb or jump over the pen must be tied in the pen once such action is observed.
- 10. All breeding stock and market project animals must be owned by the exhibitor or have joint ownership within a family corporation and/or partnerships of 4-H members with one or more parents, siblings and/or legal guardians.

- 11. Exhibitors must have primary responsibility for care and training of their project animal(s) by June 1 of the current project year.
- 12. All 4-H market goats must be dehorned and castrated by June 1. 4-H market goats may be allowed with a maximum one-half (1/2) inch horn/scur with the discretion of superintendent and assistant superintendent at fair check-in. All breeding stock goats must be dehorned. Non-Dairy 4-H breeding stock goats may be shown with horns but are not allowed to be in 4-H showmanship.
- 13. No bucks are permitted.
- Milking on show day is left to the discretion of the exhibitor and leader.
- 15. Exhibitors should use collars, neck straps or neck chains to aid in controlling the goat.
- 16. Goats may be either graded or registered, and will compete on an equal basis.
- 17. All goats must be picked up by **10:00 a.m.** on Sunday, September 25, 2022.
- 18. Exhibitor dress code consists of dark pants and dress shirt of exhibitor's choice. No T-shirts. Exhibitors MUST wear dark colored closed toe footwear. Dairy exhibitors may choose to wear white pants and a white shirt.
- 19. All goat pens must be cleaned down to the cement and re-bedded with fresh bedding a minimum of one time during the fair week.
- 20. 2022 Order of Show: Open Class, 4-H meeting, Dairy Goat Showmanship, Meat Goat Showmanship, Market Dairy Goat, Market Meat (non-dairy) Goat, Breeding Stock.
- 21. No barn set-up in any goat barn on Saturday, September 10, 2022 until **all** carcass weigh-ins are completed.

Section A - Goat Evaluation (A, B, C premium table = 2)

- 1. Required participation by all exhibitors: All 4-H members exhibiting any type of goat project must participate in the 4-H Goat Project Evaluation. A completed evaluation includes all of the following: an interview with a judge, the completion of a project report notebook, and competing in the goat skill-a-thon. Failure to complete the appropriate evaluation(s) will result in their goat project animal(s) disqualification from the show(s) and require the removal of their goat(s) from the fairgrounds.
- Evaluation Schedule: All large livestock Project Evaluations will take place on Sunday, September 18, 2022. Evaluations will be conducted on an individual basis at the stall where the exhibitor's goat project animal(s) are housed.
- Project Report: The exhibitor must bring the completed project report in a plastic or 3-ring binder notebook to their evaluation. It will be reviewed with the member during the evaluation process.
- 4. Exceptional Evaluation: This award is reserved for members who had exceptional evaluations. The member must receive an "A" rating in order to qualify. Multiple awards can be given in each age division at the judges' discretion. Recipients of this award will receive 5 bonus points toward the Champion Dairy Project award.

- 1300 Market Goat Project Evaluation exhibitors 8-11 years old
- 1301 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 1300 (R)

- 1302 Market Goat Project Evaluation exhibitors 12-14 years old
- 1303 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 1302 (R)
- 1304 Market Goat Project Evaluation exhibitors 15-19 years old
- 1305 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 1304 (R)
- 1306 Breeding Stock Goat Project Evaluation exhibitors 8-11 years old
- 1307 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 1306 (R)
- 1308 Breeding Stock Goat Project Evaluation exhibitors 12-14 years old
- 1309 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 1308 (R)
- 1310 Breeding Stock Goat Project Evaluation exhibitors 15-19 years old
- 1311 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 1310 (R)

Section B – Goat Project Skill-A-Thon (No premium - Ribbon only)

1. All large livestock Skill-a-thons will take place on **Sunday**, **September 18, 2022.**

Class

- 1312 Goat Project Skill-a-thon exhibitors 8-11 years old
- 1313 Goat Project Skill-a-thon exhibitors 12-14 years old
- 1314 Goat Project Skill-a-thon exhibitors 15-19 years old

Section C - Goat Fitting & Showmanship (Placing premium table = 102)

- 1. All exhibitors are eligible to compete in Fitting & Showmanship classes.
- 2. Entry must be made in showmanship class.
- 3. Exhibitors must show their own project animal.
- 4. Showmanship animals **must** be shown in a market or breeding stock class.
- 5. A class may be divided at the discretion of the Superintendent and/or MSU Extension.
- 6. Exhibitors may show in **EITHER** (not both) dairy or non-dairy showmanship class.

Class

- 1315 Dairy Goat Fitting & Showmanship, 8-11 (TR)
- 1316 Dairy Goat Fitting & Showmanship, 12-14 (TR)
- 1317 Dairy Goat Fitting & Showmanship, 15-19 (TR)
- 1318 Non-Dairy Goat Fitting & Showmanship, 8-11 (TR)
- 1319 Non-Dairy Goat Fitting & Showmanship, 12-14 (TR)
- 1320 Non-Dairy Goat Fitting & Showmanship, 15-19 (TR)

Section D - Market Goats (Placing premium table = 102)

- Read and follow "General 4-H Market Livestock Rules" starting on Page 7.
- 2. Market goats must be born on December 1, 2021 or after. Does and/or wethers are eligible for market class.
- 3. Exhibitors may tag and register three market goats at the countywide registrations on June 7, 5:00 7:00 p.m. or June 9, 5:00 7:00 p.m. All market goats MUST have a scrapies tag in the ear at the June weigh-in to be eligible for fair. All market goats may be cross-tagged by members of the same primary household. Members may exhibit two market animals.
- Male market goats must be "wethered" (castrated) by June
 of the current project year. The only methods of castration that will be accepted are surgical cut or banding.

- Dairy Market Goat project animals are limited to the following breeds: Alpine, LaMancha, Nigerian Dwarf, Nubian, Oberhasli, Saanen, and Toggenberg. Market Goat may be a "cross" between two or more of these breeds.
- Non-Dairy Goats are any goat that is not included in rule # 5 above. Example: Boer, Angora, Fainting, etc. or crossbred with a dairy breed.
- Market goats will be divided into classes based on fair weigh-in weight at the discretion of the Superintendent and/or MSU Extension.
- 8. Exhibitors showing two individual goats will sell their higher placing goat in the Small Animal Sale. The second animal will be sold at support price or can be taken home upon completion of the goat removal authorization form. The form must be completed and returned to the 4-H office by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 20, 2022. In the event both goats place as Dairy/Non-Dairy Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion both animals must be sold in the 4-H Small Animal Sale.

Class

- 1321 Dairy Market Goat
- 1322 Champion Lightweight Dairy Market Goat (TR)
- 1323 Res. Champion Lightweight Dairy Market Goat (TR)
- 1324 Champion Mediumweight Dairy Market Goat (TR)
- 1325 Res. Champion Mediumweight Dairy Market Goat (TR)
- 1326 Champion Heavyweight Dairy Market Goat (TR)
- 1327 Res. Champion Heavyweight Dairy Market Goat (TR)
- 1328 Grand Champion Dairy Market Goat (PR)
- 1329 Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Market Goat (PR)
- 1330 Non-Dairy Market Goat
- 1331 Champion Lightweight Non-Dairy Market Goat (TR)
- 1332 Res. Champion Lightweight Non-Dairy Market Goat (TR)
- 1333 Champion Mediumweight Non-Dairy Market Goat (TR)
- 1334 Res. Champion Mediumweight Non-Dairy Market Goat (TR)
- 1335 Champion Heavyweight Non-Dairy Market Goat (TR)
- 1336 Res. Champion Heavyweight Non-Dairy Market Goat
- 1337 Grand Champion Non-Dairy Market Goat (PR)
- 1338 Res. Grand Champion Non-Dairy Market Goat (PR)

Section E - Dairy Goats (All Breeds) (Placing premium table = 102)

- 1338 Junior Doe Kid, born on or after April 1, 2022
- 1339 Intermediate Doe Kid, born March 1 March 31, 2022
- 1340 Senior Doe Kid, born January 1 February 29, 2022
- 1341 Junior Yearling Doe, born May 1 December 31, 2021 (not in milk).
- 1342 Senior Yearling Doe, born January 1 April 30, 2021 (not in milk.)
- 1343 Champion Junior Doe (TR)
- 1344 Reserve Champion Junior Doe (TR)
- 1345 Yearling Milker, under 2 years
- 1346 Junior Milker, 2 years and under 3
- 1347 Intermediate Milker, 3 years and under 5
- 1348 Senior Milker, 5 years and over
- 1349 Champion Senior Doe (TR)
- 1350 Reserve Champion Sr. Doe (TR)
- 1351 Grand Champion Doe (PR)
- 1352 Reserve Grand Champion Doe (PR)
- 1353 Best Udder, judged on udder only (TR)

- 1354 Dam and Daughter (any dairy or dairy cross breed)
- 1355 Champion Dam and Daughter (TR)
- 1356 Reserve Champion Dam and Daughter (R)
- 1357 Dairy Goat Junior Herd herd to consist of a dam and two female offspring, or three female offspring of one female
- 1358 Champion Dairy Goat Junior Herd (TR)
- 1359 Reserve Champion Dairy Goat Junior Herd (TR)

Section G - Non-Dairy Goats (Placing premium table = 102)

Class

- 1360 Doe Kid, under 1 year
- 1361 Yearling Doe, 1 year and under 2 years
- 1362 Jr. Doe, 2 years and under 4 years
- 1363 Sr. Doe, 4 years or older
- 1364 Champion Doe (TR)
- 1365 Reserve Champion Doe (TR)
- 1366 Dam and Daughter (any non-dairy/non-dairy cross breed)
- 1367 Champion Dam and Daughter (TR)
- 1368 Reserve Champion Dam and Daughter (R)
- 1369 Non-Dairy Goat Junior Herd herd to consist of one dam and two female offspring, or three female offspring of one female
- 1370 Champion Non-Dairy Goat Junior Herd (TR)
- 1371 Res. Champion Non-Dairy Goat Junior Herd (TR)

Section H - Carcass Goat Contest (Placing premium table = 105a)

- Entry in this section is limited to 10 participants. If more than 10 exhibitors submit entry forms, selection of the 10 participants will be based on a combined factor of exhibitor age plus number of years in the project.
- Completed entry forms must be received in the St. Joseph County MSU Extension office by <u>June 14</u> of current year in order to be considered. Applicants will be notified by letter regarding the status of their entry.
- 3. A member's carcass goat must be one of the market goats registered in his/her name.
- To compete in the 4-H Carcass Goat class, goat must weigh a minimum of 70 lbs. at carcass class weigh in, if the animal does not make the minimum weight, it will be sent home.
- Live Goat weigh-in is at the fairgrounds on Saturday, September 10, 2022. Goat project leaders will coordinate trucking of club carcass goats.
- 6. The Carcass Goat Evaluation will take place. However, the time and date are TBD.
- 7. Exhibitors participating in this contest are <u>required</u> to attend the Carcass Goat Evaluations or be disqualified.
- 8. Carcass Goats ONLY may have a maximum horn/regrowth of 2 inches.

Class

- 1372 Carcass Goat
- 1373 Champion Carcass Goat (PR)
- 1374 Reserve Champion Carcass Goat (PR)

Section J - Market Goat Rate-of-Gain (Ribbon Class Only)

1. All animals that meet eligibility requirements for this section are entered automatically.

2. First place is awarded to the goat that has the highest average daily rate-of-gain.

Class

1375 - Rate-of-Gain (1st T, 2nd T)

Section K - Market Goat Home Born & Raised (No premiums in this section - ribbon only)

 A 4-H Home Born & Raised Market Goat must be both birthed and raised by a 4-H exhibitor on the exhibitor's property, or on a superintendent verified site. (The animal must be raised by the 4-H exhibitor at the place of birth.) Exhibitors may only show one animal in this class.

Class

1376 - Home Born & Raised (1st R, 2nd R)

Section L - Pet Goats (No premiums in this section - ribbon only)

- 1. All goats must be at least one (1) year old and can be a doe or wether of any breed with or without horns.
- All Goats intended for exhibition <u>must</u> have a <u>USDA Scrapies tag</u> on the animal either in the ear in order to be housed at the fair. If tattooed, a copy of paperwork must be given to the superintendent PRIOR to being housed. Call MDA to receive a premises identification number at 800/292-3939 then call USDA to order official tags at 866/873-2824.
- Must have a collar and leash or halter. No spike collars allowed.
- 4. Goats do not have to be shaved but need to be clean, have trimmed hooves and be show presentable.
- Goats in this section may not be registered or shown in any other class, i.e., showmanship, market or breeding stock
- 6. It is at the discretion of the Goat Superintendent, Goat Assistant Superintendent, 4-H Coordinator, and/or Goat Judge to dismiss any goat from participating in the class if the animal is deemed unruly and/or unsafe for the handler, other youth or other goats in the ring.

Class

1377 - Pet Goat

Section M - Champion Goat Project

The Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat, Rabbit, Poultry, and Dairy departments will participate in the Champion Project Program. This award recognizes exhibitors who excel in the following areas: evaluations, Skill-a-Thon, showmanship, and market or breeding classes. Scores and placings in these areas receive point designations, which can be found at https://www.canr.msu.edu/st_joseph/4-h/4 h fair#Current.

- Eligibility: exhibitors must show a live animal at fair and participate in all of the following: evaluations, Skill-a-Thon, showmanship, and a market or breeding class.
- 2. **Bonus points:** Bonus points will be awarded as such: 5 bonus points for Exceptional Evaluation, 2 bonus points for Grand Champion Market or Breeding Animal, 1 bonus point for Reserve Grand Champion market or breeding animal. Additional bonus points awarded for good sportsmanship.

- 3. **Tie breaker order**: 1st-Highest Skill-a-Thon Score, 2nd-Showmanship Placing, 3rd older exhibitor wins
- 4. One top award per eligible species will be given and awards will be given to the top participant in each age group by species. Exhibitors can only win the Overall award one time per species.
- 5. No pre-registration is necessary. Scoring will be tallied in the 4-H Office throughout fair week, and scores are available upon request.
- 6. Winners will be notified by no later than 12:00 p.m. on Thursday of fair week and will be recognized during intermission at the Showmanship Sweepstakes Contest

- 1378 Champion Goat Project, Beginner (Special Award)
- 1379 Champion Goat Project, Intermediate (Special Award)
- 1380 Champion Goat Project, Advanced (Special Award)
- 1381 Overall Grand Champion Goat Project (Special Award)

Department 12 - Poultry

Angie Landis, Superintendent Karrie Landis, Market Chicken Assistant Superintendent Michele Kelley, Turkey Assistant Superintendent Karyn Scheffler, Breeding Stock Assistant Superintendent

- 1. See www.michigan.gov/mda-exhibitinfo.
- Read and follow "General 4-H Market Livestock Rules" starting on Page 7.
- 3. 4-H Exhibitors <u>will not</u> be allowed to enter or exhibit in this species department if exhibited at another county fair during the current year.
- 4. All chickens and turkeys for exhibition must either:
 - a. <u>Originate</u> from a <u>pullorum-typhoid clean flock</u> and have been housed separately from birds of unknown or positive pullorum-typhoid health-status. One of the following must accompany your registration form: parent flock National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) certification number, MDA form VS9-2, MDA form VS9-3 **OR**
 - b. Be <u>tested</u> by an <u>authorized educator</u> (a licensed, accredited veterinarian or a Michigan Department of Agriculture certified pullorum tester) within 90 days of the show. A copy of MDA state pullorum test certificate must accompany your registration form.
- 5. All <u>breeding stock</u> poultry must be in exhibitor's possession by wing/leg-banding date. Breeding stock (chickens, ducks and geese) and pigeons will also be legbanded on August 21, 2022 or August 22, 2022, 4:00 7:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds. Pullorum testing will be available at the wing/leg banding. Exhibitor may register up to two (2) birds for <u>each</u> breeding stock class.
- Breeding stock poultry age (including chickens, ducks and geese) is defined as: A "<u>young</u>" bird is one hatched from previous fair, October 1 to current fair September 30. A "<u>mature</u>" bird is one that is 12 months old or older.
- 7. All breeding stock and market poultry must be owned by the exhibitor or have joint ownership within a family corporation and/or partnerships of 4-H members with one or more parents, siblings and/or legal guardians. Cross-tagging is acceptable among immediate family members only.
- 8. Feeding, Watering & Cleaning: 4-H Poultry Project members are responsible for feeding and watering their birds, plus cleaning the cage(s) their birds are housed in at fair. Each member will be charged per pen for shavings and feed that are used. This money will be deducted from the member's livestock check. Poultry pens must be stripped of all bedding and replaced with fresh bedding each morning. Cleaning and feeding times are as follows: morning, 6:00 8:00 a.m. and evenings, 6:00 8:00 p.m. The 4-H Poultry Project Superintendent and/or Assistant Superintendents will inspect pens after these times to determine if feeding, watering and cleaning has been done in accordance with generally accepted animal husbandry practices. Feed and shavings will be locked up except at feeding and cleaning times.
- Eggs will not be housed at the fair, and must be taken home following judging. Eggs are to be kept in the exhibitors' possession before and after judging. Do not leave them in the barn. Note: Best-of-Show will be on display in the still exhibit barn.
- All animals must be checked in by exhibitor or immediate family member unless prior arrangements are made in

- writing and filed at the MSU Extension office 24 hours in advance of check in times at fair.
- 11. All market and breeding stock poultry (including pigeons) must be checked in and housed in the 4-H poultry barn at fair on Friday, September 16, 2022, 4:00 7:00 p.m. All market poultry must be weighed before being housed. All breeding stock poultry must have leg bands checked before being housed. No class changes will be allowed after the declaration of classes. Pen assignments for all poultry to be handled by the 4-H Poultry Superintendent and/or 4-H Poultry Assistant Superintendents.
- 12. 4-H Poultry should not be brought to the fair in any size cardboard box. Birds should be well bedded. At check-in poultry must be clean and dry. Care must be given to transport poultry to the fair in cages with adequate bedding, ventilation and drainage. Weigh-in personnel may refuse weighing/housing of 4-H poultry until the birds are clean and dry. All poultry must have tags in place at check-in.
- 13. No shipping crates, cages or boxes may be stored in the 4-H Poultry Barn during the fair.
- 14. The exhibitor is required to supply his/her own cage to transport birds to and from the show arena for show and sale. 4-H fair housing cages may not be used for this purpose.
- Exhibitor Dress Code: For showmanship only, black pants, white long-sleeved shirt and leather closed toed shoes. Proper show attire for all other classes. No hats allowed.
- 16. An exhibitor may exhibit only once in a given class.
- Order of Show: Required member/parent/leader meeting followed by live show. 2022 Order: Eggs, Waterfowl, Showmanship, Breeding Stock Chickens, Breeding Stock Turkeys, Market Chickens - cockerels then pullets, Market Turkeys - toms then hens,
- 18. All 4-H breeding stock birds and "live pick-up" market birds <u>must</u> be picked up between **5:30 7:00 a.m.** on Sunday, September 25, 2022.
- 19. Poultry and Rabbit Fee 4-H members are responsible for paying for the processing fee and associated expenses if their buyer chooses to take advantage of this service. All fees are deducted from the gross sale value.
- Any problems/illness with poultry needs to be brought to the attention of the superintendent. No medications may be given without permission.
- 21. Exhibitors are required to be present for barn clean-up on Saturday, September 24, 10:00 p.m. and Sunday, September 25, 6:00 a.m. Each member is responsible for the clean-up of their pen and general barn duty.

Section A - Poultry Project Evaluation (A, B, C premium table = 2)

- Exhibitors must complete the Poultry Evaluation. Evaluations are Sunday, September 11, 2022, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on a first-come, first-served basis.
- 2. The evaluation will be a combination of written and oral (interview) questions.
- Failure to participate in the 4-H Poultry Project Evaluation (Breeding Stock, Market Chickens or Market Turkey) process will result in the disqualification and removal of their birds from the fairgrounds.
- 4. Exceptional Evaluation(s): This award is reserved for members who had exceptional evaluations. The member must receive an "A" rating in order to qualify. Multiple awards can be given in each age division at the judges' discretion. Recipients of this award will receive 5 bonus points toward the Champion Poultry Project award.

Class

- 14001 Market Chicken Evaluation exhibitors 8-11 years old
- 14002 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 14001 (R)
- 14003 Market Chicken Evaluation exhibitors 12-14 years old
- 14004 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 14003 (R)
- 14005 Market Chicken Evaluation exhibitors 15-19 years old
- 14006 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 14005 (R)
- 14007 Market Turkey Evaluation exhibitors 8-11 years old
- 14008 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 14007 (R)
- 14009 Market Turkey Evaluation exhibitors 12-14 years old
- 14010 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 14009 (R)
- 14011 Market Turkey Evaluation exhibitors 15-19 years old
- 14012 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 14011 (R)
- 14013 Breeding Stock Poultry Project Evaluation exhibitors 8-11 years old
- 14014 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 14013 (R)
- 14015 Breeding Stock Poultry Project Evaluation exhibitors 12-14 years old
- 14016 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 14015 (R)
- 14017 Breeding Stock Poultry Project Evaluation exhibitors 15-19 years old
- 14018 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 14017 (R)

Section B - Poultry Project Skill-A-Thon (No premiums - Ribbon only)

 All small animal Skill-a-thons will take place on Sunday, September 18, 2022

14019 - Poultry Skill-a-Thon - exhibitors 8-11 years old

14020 - Poultry Skill-a-Thon - exhibitors 12-14 years old

14021 - Poultry Skill-a-Thon - exhibitors 15-19 years old

Section C - Poultry Fitting & Showmanship (Placing premium table = 102)

- 1. Open only to those exhibitors exhibiting chickens (Sections D and F).
- 2. Entry must be made in showmanship classes.
- 3. Exhibitors must show their own project animal.
- 4. If there are too many entries in a class, it may be divided at the discretion of the Superintendent and/or MSU Extension.

Class

14022 - Poultry Fitting & Showmanship, 8-11 (TR)

14023 - Poultry Fitting & Showmanship 12-14. (TR)

14024 - Poultry Fitting & Showmanship 15-19 (TR)

Section D - Market Chickens (Placing premium table = 102)

- Read and follow "General 4-H Market Livestock Rules" starting on Page 7.
- 2. Read and follow general 4-H Poultry Project rules.
- Exhibitor may make one entry in <u>either</u> this section <u>or</u> Section E.
- Market chickens must be <u>hatched</u> Saturday, July 23, 2022 or after. Hatcheries normally hatch on Saturdays or Sundays, and deliver chicks to poultry sale outlets on Monday or Tuesday.
- 5. Countywide wing-banding of market chickens will take place on Sunday, August 21, and Monday, August 22, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds. Birds must be clean and parasite free. Proof of purchase and Pullorum papers must be presented before tagging and they also must be turned in at this time. All birds may be cross-tagged between family

- members living in the same primary household. The first family member may tag up to 8 birds, either turkeys or chickens but not both, with up to 5 additional birds per family member. (Example: a family with three poultry exhibitors can tag a maximum total of 18 birds).
- Market pullets must weigh a minimum of 8 lbs./pen and cockerels 9 lbs./pen, or they will not be allowed to exhibit at fair
- Market cockerels will show first in 2022, followed by market pullets (order rotates annually).
- The superintendent will determine the number of weight classes utilized.

- 14025 Market Pullet
- 14026 Market Cockerel
- 14027 Champion Pen Lightweight Market Pullets (TR)
- 14028 Res. Champion Pen Lightweight Market Pullets (R)
- 14029 Champion Pen Light-Mediumweight Market Pullets (TR)
- 14030 Res. Champion Pen Light-Mediumweight Market Pullets **(R)**
- 14031 Champion Pen Mediumweight Market Pullets (TR)
- 14032 Res. Champion Pen Mediumweight Market Pullets (R)
- 14033 Champion Pen Light-Heavyweight Market Pullets (TR)
- 14034 Res. Champion Pen Light-Heavyweight Market Pullets (R)
- 14035 Champion Pen Heavyweight Market Pullets (TR)
- 14036 Res. Champion Pen Heavyweight Market Pullets (R)
- 14037 Champion Pen Lightweight Market Cockerels (TR)
- 14038 Res. Champion Pen Lightweight Market Cockerels (R)
- 14039 Champion Pen Light-Mediumweight Market Cockerels (TR)
- 14040 Res. Champion Pen Light-Mediumweight Market Cockerels (R)
- 14041 Champion Pen Mediumweight Market Cockerels (TR)
- 14042 Res. Champion Pen Mediumweight Market Cockerels (R)
- 14043 Champion Pen Light-Heavyweight Market Cockerels (TR)
- 14044 Res. Champion Pen Light-Heavyweight Market Cockerels (R)
- 14045 Champion Pen Heavyweight Market Cockerels (TR)
- 14046 Res. Champion Pen Heavyweight Market Cockerels (R)
- 14047 Grand Champion Pen Market Chickens (PR)
- 14048 Res. Grand Champion Pen Market Chickens (PR)

Section E - Market Turkeys (Placing premium table = 102)

- See "General 4-H Market Livestock Rules" starting on Page 7.
- 2. Read and follow general 4-H Poultry Project rules.
- Exhibitor may make one entry in <u>either</u> this section <u>or</u> Section D.
- Market turkeys must be <u>hatched</u> Saturday, May 21, 2022. Hatcheries normally hatch on Saturdays or Sundays, with delivery of poults to poultry sale outlets by Monday or Tuesday of the following week.
- 5. Countywide vaccination and tagging of market turkeys will take place on Sunday, July 17, or Monday, July 18, 5:00 7:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds. Birds must be clean and parasite free. If your turkeys do not get vaccinated on either of these two dates, they will not be allowed to exhibit at the fair. Note: All turkeys on your premises

- must be vaccinated. <u>Proof of purchase and Pullorum papers must be presented and turned in before tagging and vaccinations are administered.</u>
- 6. All birds may be cross-tagged between family members living in the same primary household. The first family member may tag up to 8 birds, either turkeys or chickens but not both, with up to 5 additional birds per family member. (Example: a family with three poultry exhibitors can tag a maximum total of 18 birds).
- 7. Exhibitors may sign up for a maximum of two classes.
- Market turkeys must weigh a minimum of 24 lbs./pen for hens or 32 lbs./pen for toms. Pens of market turkeys that weigh <u>less than</u> these minimum weight standards will <u>not</u> be allowed to exhibit at fair.
- The superintendent will determine the number of weight classes utilized.

Class

- 14049 Market Hen
- 14050 Market Tom
- 14051 Champion Pen Lightweight Market Hens (TR)
- 14052 Res. Champion Pen Lightweight Market Hens (R)
- 14053 Champion Pen Light-Mediumweight Market Hens (TR)
- 14054 Res. Champion Pen Light-Mediumweight Market Hens (R)
- 14055 Champion Pen Mediumweight Market Hens (TR)
- 14056 Res. Champion Pen Mediumweight Market Hens (R)
- 14057 Champion Pen Light-Heavyweight Market Hens (TR)
- 14058 Res. Champion Pen Light-Heavyweight Market Hens (R)
- 14059 Champion Pen Heavyweight Market Hens (TR)
- 14060 Res. Champion Pen Heavyweight Market Hens (R)
- 14061 Champion Pen Lightweight Market Toms (TR)
- 14062 Res. Champion Pen Lightweight Market Toms (R)
- 14063- Champion Pen Light-Mediumweight Market Toms (TR)
- 14064 Res. Champion Pen Light-Mediumweight Market Toms (R)
- 14065 Champion Pen Mediumweight Market Toms (TR)
- 14066 Res. Champion Pen Mediumweight Market Toms (R)
- 14067 Champion Pen Light-Heavyweight Market Toms (TR)
- 14068 Res. Champion Pen Light-Heavyweight Market Toms (R)
- 14069 Champion Pen Heavyweight Market Toms (TR)
- 14070 Res. Champion Pen Heavyweight Market Toms (R)
- 14071 Grand Champion Pen Market Turkeys (PR)
- 14072 Res. Grand Champion Pen Market Turkeys (PR)

Section F - Breeding Stock Chickens (Placing premium table = 102)

- Countywide banding of breeding stock chickens will take place at the fairgrounds on Sunday, August 21, 2022 or Monday, August 22, 2022, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Birds must be clean and parasite free. <u>Pullorum papers must be</u> presented/or testing done before banding.
- Exhibitors may exhibit in a maximum of four classes in this section.
- Exhibitors will only be allowed 2 pens at the fair under discretion of the 4-H Poultry Superintendent or 4-H Program Coordinator due to pen availability.
- 4. Exhibitors will be required to pay \$2.00 per pen for feed/bedding costs at time of check-in.
- 5. A "young" bird is one hatched from previous fair, October 1 to current fair September 30. A "mature" bird is one that is 12 months old or older.

- 14073 Young standard male (Young = hatched this year)
- 14074 Best-in-Show in Class 14073 (R)
- 14075 Mature standard male (Mature = hatched prior to this year)
- 14076 Best-in-Show in Class 14075 (R)
- 14077 Champion Standard Male, Classes 14074 & 14076 (TR)
- 14078 Young standard female
- 14079 Best-in-Show in Class 14078 (R)
- 14080 Mature standard female
- 14081 Best-in-Show in Class 14080 (R)
- 14082 Champion Standard Female, Classes 14079 & 14081 (TR)
- 14083 Young Bantam male
- 14084 Best-in-Show in Class 14083 (R)
- 14085 Mature Bantam male
- 14086 Best-in-Show in Class 14085 (R)
- 14087 Champion Bantam Male, Classes 14084 & 14086 (TR)
- 14088 Young Bantam female
- 14089 Best-in-Show in Class 14088 (R)
- 14090 Mature Bantam female
- 14091 Best-in-Show in Class 14090 (R)
- 14092 Champion Bantam Female, Classes 14089 & 14091 (TR)
- 14093 Grand Champion Breeding Stock Chicken (PR)
- 14094 Res. Grand Champion Breeding Stock Chicken (PR)

Section G – Breeding Stock Turkeys (A, B, C premium table = 2)

- 1. Must go through all vaccination procedures.
- 2. May bring up to two (2) turkeys (1 male/ 1 female)
- 3. May show a maximum of two (2) classes. May include Heritage Turkeys or Production Turkeys
- 4. All turkeys shown in Section G MUST be taken home.
- Exhibitor will be required to pay \$2.00 per pen for feed/bedding costs at time of check-in

Class

- 14095 Tom
- 14096 Best-of-Show in Class 14095 (R)
- 14097 Hen
- 14098 Best-of-Show in Class 14097 (R)
- 14099 Grand Champion Breeding Stock Turkey (R)
- 14100 Res. Champion Breeding Stock Turkey (R)

Section H - Egg Production (A, B, C premium table = 2)

- Exhibitors may exhibit in a maximum of two classes in this section.
- 2. Members own birds must produce eggs.
- 3. Eggs must be graded, cleaned, free from defects and placed in a clean carton provided by the exhibitor.
- 4. Egg judging takes place on Saturday, September 17, 2022.
- Grand Champion dozen eggs will be auctioned at the small animal auction.

Class

- 14101 1 dozen white standard chicken eggs
- 14102 1 dozen brown standard chicken eggs
- 14103 1 dozen other color standard chicken eggs
- 14104 1 dozen bantam chicken eggs
- 14105 1 dozen duck eggs
- 14106 Best-of-Show in Egg Production (TR)

Section J - Pigeons (Placing premium table = 102)

- 1. Pigeons must be registered at the countywide tagging on August 21 or 22, 2022, 4:00 7:00 p.m.
- Exhibitors may exhibit in a maximum of two classes in this section.
- Exhibitors will be required to pay \$2.00 per pen for feed/bedding costs at time of check-in.

Class

- 14107 Show-Type Female
- 14108 Show-Type Male
- 14109 Best-in-Show Show-Type Pigeons (R)
- 14110 Tumblers/Rollers/Homers Single male or female
- 14111 Best-in-Show Tumbler/Roller/Homer Pigeons (R)
- 14112 Champion Pigeons (TR)

Section K - Ducks (Placing premium table = 102)

- 1. Ducks must be registered at Countywide tagging on August 21 or 22, 2022, 4:00 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Exhibit must be a pair (1 male, 1 female).
- 3. Exhibitors may exhibit in a maximum of two classes in this section.

Class

- 14113 Pair of Young Standard Ducks (Young = hatched this year).
- 14114 Best-in-Show Young Standard Ducks (R)
- 14115 Pair of Mature Standard Ducks (Mature = hatched prior to this year).
- 14116 Best-in-Show Mature Standard Ducks (R)
- 14117 Champion Standard Ducks (TR)
- 14118 Pair of Young Bantam Ducks
- 14119 Best-in-Show Young Bantam Ducks (R)
- 14120 Pair of Mature Bantam Ducks
- 14121 Best-in-Show Mature Bantam Ducks (R)
- 14122 Champion Bantam Ducks (TR)

Section L - Geese (Placing premium table = 102)

- 1. Geese must be registered at Countywide tagging on August 21 or 22, 2022, 4:00 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Exhibit must be a pair (1 male, 1 female).
- 3. Exhibitors may exhibit in a maximum of two classes in this section.

Class

- 14123 Pair of Young Geese (Young = hatched this year).
- 14124 Best-in-Show Young Geese (R)
- 14125 Pair of Mature Geese (Mature = hatched prior to this year).
- 14126 Best-in-Show Mature Geese (R)
- 14127 Champion Geese (TR)

Section M - Champion Poultry Project

The Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat, Rabbit, Poultry, and Dairy departments will participate in the Champion Project Program. This award recognizes exhibitors who excel in the following areas: evaluations, Skill-a-Thon, showmanship, and market or breeding classes. Scores and placings in these

areas receive point designations, which can be found at https://www.canr.msu.edu/st_joseph/4-h/4_h_fair#Current.

- 1. **Eligibility:** exhibitors must show a live animal at fair and participate in **all** of the following: evaluations, Skill-a-Thon, showmanship, and a market or breeding class.
- Bonus points: Bonus points will be awarded as such: 5
 bonus points for Exceptional Evaluation, 2 bonus points
 for Grand Champion Market or Breeding Animal, 1 bonus
 point for Reserve Grand Champion market or breeding
 animal. Additional bonus points awarded for good
 sportsmanship.
- 3. **Tie breaker order**: 1st-Highest Skill-a-Thon Score, 2nd-Showmanship Placing, 3rd older exhibitor wins
- 4. One top award per eligible species will be given and awards will be given to the top participant in each age group by species. Exhibitors can only win the Overall award one time per species.
- No pre-registration is necessary. Scoring will be tallied in the 4-H Office throughout fair week, and scores are available upon request.
- Winners will be notified by no later than 12:00 p.m. on Thursday of fair week and will be recognized during intermission at the Showmanship Sweepstakes Contest.

Class

- 14128 Champion Poultry Project, Beginner (Special Award)
- 14129 Champion Poultry Project, Intermediate (Special Award)
- 14130 Champion Poultry Project, Advanced (Special Award)
- 14131 Grand Champion Poultry Project (Special Award)

Department 14 - Rabbits

Heather Teadt, Superintendent Nancy Mangus, Assistant Superintendent Brittany Bogema, Assistant Superintendent

- 1. See www.michigan.gov/mda-exhibitinfo.
- Read and follow "General 4-H Market Livestock Rules" starting on Page 7.
- 4-H Exhibitors <u>will not</u> be allowed to enter or exhibit in this specie department if exhibited at another county fair during the current year.
- 4. The exhibitor must own all breeding stock and market rabbits or have joint ownership within a family corporation and/or partnerships of 4-H members with one or more parents, siblings and/or legal guardians.
- 5. All members are required to participate in the Rabbit Project Evaluation (Section A).
- 6. COUNTYWIDE TATTOOING: Wednesday, August 10, 2022 5:00-8:00 p.m. and Sunday, August 14, 2022, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- 7. Family Tagging MARKET RABBITS ONLY. Each member may tattoo up to six (6) rabbits. All rabbits may be cross-tagged between family members living in the same primary household.
- 8. All 4-H exhibitors can exhibit in two classes from sections D, E, F, G, H, or J and can exhibit in both market and breeding stock classes (1 market pen & 1 breeding stock or 2 breeding stock).
- All members are encouraged to participate in Fitting and Showmanship (Section C), Market Kindling Report

- (Section K), and Rabbit Science (Department 69 Sciences, Section H).
- 10. All animals must be checked in by exhibitor or immediate family member unless prior arrangements are made in writing and filed at the MSU Extension office 24 hours in advance of check in times at the fair.
- 11. All market and breeding stock rabbits will be weighed, checked in and housed in 4-H Rabbit Barn on Friday, September 16, 2022, 4:00 7:00 p.m. All rabbits must be weighed <u>before</u> being housed. The 4-H Rabbit Project Superintendent assigns pens.
- 12. Rabbits must be <u>clean</u> and <u>dry</u> when presented for checkin. All rabbits must pass a health inspection in order to enter the barn. Each member needs to bring their own towel or carpet square for the table during the health inspection/weigh-in of their rabbits. Weigh-in personnel may <u>refuse</u> weighing/housing rabbits until the animals are in acceptable condition.
- 13. No toys, blankets, etc. may be placed in cages.
- 14. A resting platform may be used for breeding stock only.
- 15. Hay/roughage may be supplied to your rabbits to prevent diarrhea. This is the only allowable supplemental feed.
- 16. Exhibitor must furnish clean heavy plastic or ceramic crock water dishes as follows: Each pen of market rabbits must have one 7" diameter dish or crock. Each pen of breeding stock rabbits must have one 5" or larger crock/hard plastic dish for water. Rabbits will not be housed until the correct size dishes or crocks have been furnished.
- 17. 4-H rabbits must be transported to the fair and to/from the 4-H Rabbit Show and the 4-H Small Livestock Sale in standard metal rabbit transport cages and bottom wire must be off the ground. No "pet taxi" carriers, clothesbaskets, cardboard boxes allowed. (Reason: ventilation and keeping rabbits out of their own urine.) 4-H rabbits will not be allowed entry in non-appropriate cages.
- 18. No cages may be stored in the rabbit barn during the fair.
- 19. Poultry and Rabbit Fee 4-H members are responsible for paying for the processing fee and associated expenses if their buyer chooses to take advantage of this service. All fees are deducted from the gross sale value.
- 20. Dress code for rabbit showmanship: white long-sleeved shirt, black pants and closed toed shoes. Dress code for Market & Breeding Stock classes: long-sleeve shirt, dark colored pants and closed toed shoes. No hats or jewelry allowed. Exception: If a member is showing another animal a white lab coat may be worn over other clothes.
- 21. Show order for 2022: Cloverbuds, Showmanship, Breeding Stock, Market (purchased, kindled by member)

Section A - Rabbit Project Evaluation (A, B, C premium table = 2)

1. Required participation by all exhibitors: All 4-H members exhibiting any type of rabbit project must participate in the 4-H Rabbit Project Evaluation. A completed evaluation includes all of the following: any interview with a judge, the completion of a project report notebook, and competing in the rabbit skill-a-thon. Exhibitors who have both breeding and market rabbits must complete an evaluation for each. Failure to complete the appropriate evaluation(s) will result in their rabbit project animal(s) disqualification from the show(s) and require the removal of their rabbits from the fairgrounds.

- Evaluation schedule: Poultry and Rabbit Project Evaluations will take place on Sunday, September 11, 2022. Evaluations will be conducted on an individual basis.
- Project Report: The exhibitor must bring the completed project report in a plastic or 3-ring binder notebook to their evaluation. It will be reviewed with the member during the evaluation process.
- 4. Exceptional Evaluation(s): This award is reserved for members who had exceptional evaluations. The member must receive an "A" rating in order to qualify. Multiple awards can be given in each age division at the judges' discretion. Recipients of this award will receive 5 bonus points toward the Champion Rabbit Project award.

- 1500 Market Rabbit Evaluation exhibitors 8-11 years old
- 1501 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 1500 (R)
- 1502 Market Rabbit Evaluation exhibitors 12-14 years old
- 1503 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 1502 (R)
- 1504 Market Rabbit Evaluation exhibitors 15-19 years old
- 1505 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 1504 (R)
- 1506 Breeding Stock Rabbit Project Evaluation exhibitors 8-11 years old
- 1507 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 1506 (R)
- 1508 Breeding Stock Rabbit Project Evaluation exhibitors 12-14 years old
- 1509 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 1508 (R)
- 1510 Breeding Stock Rabbit Project Evaluation exhibitors 15-19 years old
- 1511 Exceptional Evaluation(s) in class 1510 (R)

Section B - Rabbit Project Skill-A-Thon (No premiums - Ribbon only)

1. Rabbit and Poultry Skill-a-thons will take place on **Sunday**, **September 18, 2022.**

Class

- 1512 Rabbit Skill-a-Thon exhibitors 8-11 years old
- 1513 Rabbit Skill-a-Thon exhibitors 12-14 years old
- 1514 Rabbit Skill-a-Thon exhibitors 15-19 years old

Section C - Rabbit Fitting & Showmanship (Placing premium table = 102)

- 1. All exhibitors are eligible and encouraged to compete in Fitting & Showmanship classes.
- 2. Entry must be made in showmanship class.
- 3. Exhibitors must show their own project animal.
- 4. If there are too many entries in a class, it may be divided at the discretion of the Superintendent and/or MSU Extension.

Class

- 1515 Rabbit Fitting & Showmanship, 8-11 (TR)
- 1516 Rabbit Fitting & Showmanship, 12-14 (TR)
- 1517 Rabbit Fitting & Showmanship, 15-19 (TR

Section D - Market Rabbits: Kindled from Exhibitor's Own Breeding Stock (Placing premium table = 102)

 Read and follow "General 4-H Market Livestock Rules" starting on Page 7.

- 2. All market rabbits must be in exhibitor's possession, tattooed (looking at the rabbit from behind) in the <u>left</u> ear with a pre-assigned St. Joseph County number, and registered in the St. Joseph County MSU Extension office by **August 14** of the current project year to be eligible for the St. Joseph County Fair. **Note:** Tattooing must be done at the countywide tattooing on Wednesday, August 10, 5:00 8:00 p.m. *or* Sunday, August 14, 1:00 4:00 p.m.
- Exhibitors may tattoo <u>six</u> market rabbits, <u>including</u> cross tattooing, but may show and sell only three rabbits (1 pen) at the fair.
- 4. It is recommended that market rabbits be 10 weeks of age at fair time.
- 5. Exhibit shall consist of three rabbits, any sex.
- Only <u>three rabbits</u> may be presented for weighin/check-in at fair. Selection of the three best rabbits to combine as a "pen" <u>must</u> be made <u>prior</u> to arriving at check-in table.
- 7. Each market rabbit must weigh a minimum of 3 lbs. with a minimum pen weight of 9 lbs. Pens weighing less than 9 lbs. will not be allowed to be exhibited at the fair.
- 8. Pens of rabbits weighing 9-17 lbs. per pen will be eligible to receive 1st-8th place awards in this section. **Note:** Pens of market rabbits weighing more than 17 lbs. must be exhibited in the appropriate class to be eligible for the 4-H Small Animal Sale but will not be eligible for awards.
- The criteria for judging a market rabbit are: meat type, condition, uniformity and fur.
- 10. Exhibitors may make one entry in either Section D or E.

Class

- 1518 Market Rabbits Kindled from Exhibitor's Own Breeding.
- 1519 Champion Lightweight Pen. (TR)
- 1520 Res. Champion Lightweight Pen. (TR)
- 1521 Champion Light-Mediumweight Pen. (TR)
- 1522 Res. Champion Light-Mediumweight Pen. (TR)
- 1523 Champion Mediumweight Pen. (TR)
- 1524 Res. Champion Mediumweight Pen. (TR)
- 1525 Champion Heavyweight Pen. (TR)
- 1526 Res. Champion Heavyweight Pen. (TR)

Section E - Purchased Market Rabbits (Placing premium table = 102)

1. Read and follow rules in Section C.

Class

- 1527 Purchased Market Rabbits.
- 1528 Champion Lightweight Pen. (TR)
- 1529 Res. Champion Lightweight Pen. (TR)
- 1530 Champion Light-Mediumweight Pen. (TR)
- 1531 Res. Champion Light-Mediumweight Pen. (TR)
- 1532 Champion Mediumweight Pen. (TR)
- 1533 Res. Champion Mediumweight Pen. (TR)
- 1534 Champion Heavyweight Pen. (TR)
- 1535 Res. Champion Heavyweight Pen. (TR)

Section F - Championship Market Rabbits

1. To be chosen from the winners of Classes 1519-1526 and 1528-1535.

- 1536 Grand Champion Pen Market Rabbits. (PR)
- 1537 Res. Grand Champion Pen Market Rabbits. (PR)

Section G - Crossbred Breeding Stock Rabbits (Placing premium table = 102)

- All <u>breeding stock</u> rabbits must be in exhibitor's possession, identified by a legible tattoo in the left ear and registered in the St. Joseph County MSU Extension office by **August 14** of the current project year. Exhibitors may tattoo **only six** breeding stock rabbits.
- Crossbred rabbits that meet American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) breed standards may be moved to show as Purebred Rabbits at the judge's discretion.
- 3. BREEDING STOCK RABBITS MUST BE PICKED UP ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 BY 8:00 A.M.

Class

- 1538 Sr. Doe, 7 months of age or older.
- 1539 Jr. Doe, 6 months of age and younger.
- 1540 Champion Crossbred Doe. (TR)
- 1541 Res. Champion Crossbred Doe. (TR)
- 1542 Sr. Buck, 7 months of age or older.
- 1543 Jr. Buck, 6 months of age and younger.
- 1544 Champion Crossbred Buck. (TR)
- 1545 Res. Champion Crossbred Buck. (TR)
- 1546 Grand Champion Crossbred Rabbit. (PR)
- 1547 Res. Grand Champion Crossbred Rabbit. (PR)

Sections H and J - Purebred Breeding Stock Rabbits (Placing premium table = 102)

- All <u>breeding stock</u> rabbits must be in exhibitor's possession, identified by a legible tattoo in the left ear and registered in the St. Joseph County MSU Extension office by **August 14** of the current project year. Exhibitors may tattoo **only six** breeding stock rabbits.
- Purebred rabbits must meet American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) breed standards to be eligible. No papers required.
- Consult American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) "Standard of Perfection" guide to determine which class (Junior or Senior) a given rabbit should be entered in at the fair
- 4. BREEDING STOCK RABBITS MUST BE PICKED UP ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 BY 8:00 A.M.

Section H - Fancy Breeding Stock Rabbits (Placing premium table = 102)

Class

- 1548 Senior Doe, 7 months of age or older.
- 1549 Junior Doe, 6 months of age and younger.
- 1550 Champion Fancy Purebred Doe. (TR)
- 1551 Res. Champion Fancy Purebred Doe. (TR)
- 1552 Senior Buck, 7 months of age or older.
- 1553 Junior Buck, 6 months of age and younger.
- 1554 Champion Fancy Purebred Buck. (TR)
- 1555 Res. Champion Fancy Purebred Buck. (TR)
- 1556 Grand Champion Fancy Purebred Rabbit. (PR)
- 1557 Res. Grand Champion Fancy Purebred Rabbit. (PR)

Section J - Commercial Breeding Stock Rabbits (Placing premium table = 102)

Class

- 1558 Senior Doe, 7 months of age or older.
- 1559 Junior Doe, 6 months of age and younger.
- 1560 Champion Commercial Purebred Doe. (TR)
- 1561 Res. Champion Commercial Purebred Doe. (TR)

- 1562 Senior Buck, 7 months of age or older.
- 1563 Junior Buck, 6 months of age and younger.
- 1564 Champion Commercial Purebred Buck. (TR)
- 1565 Res. Champion Commercial Purebred Buck. **(TR)** 1566 Grand Champion Commercial Purebred Rabbit. **(PR)**
- 1567 Res. Grand Champion Commercial Purebred Rabbit. (PR)

Section K - Market Rabbit Kindling Report (A, B, C premium table = 2)

Educational Objective: To show knowledge gained throughout Kindling Project.

- This section is optional and open to exhibitors who kindled their pen of 4-H market rabbits from their own breeding stock (see Section D).
- Exhibit should be <u>no</u> more than two (2) poster(s) 11" x 14" with six (6) 4" x 6" photographs and captions depicting the following: one photograph <u>each</u> of housing facility, buck, and doe. Three photographs showing <u>the progress and growth of litter</u>. (Poster board available at St. Joseph County MSU Extension office.)

Class

- 1568 Exhibit completed 4-H Market Rabbit Kindling Report and 11" x 14" poster containing six photographs
- 1569 Best-of-Show Mkt. Rabbit Kindling Report. (TR)

Section L - Champion Rabbit Project

The Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat, Rabbit, Poultry, and Dairy departments will participate in the Champion Project Program. This award recognizes exhibitors who excel in the following areas: evaluations, Skill-a-Thon, showmanship, and market or breeding classes. Scores and placings in these areas receive point designations, which can be found at https://www.canr.msu.edu/st_ioseph/4-h/4 h_fair#Current.

- 1. **Eligibility:** exhibitors must show a live animal at fair and participate in **all** of the following: evaluations, Skill-a-Thon, showmanship, and a market or breeding class.
- Bonus points: Bonus points will be awarded as such: 5
 bonus points for Exceptional Evaluation, 2 bonus points
 for Grand Champion Market or Breeding Animal, 1 bonus
 point for Reserve Grand Champion market or breeding
 animal. Additional bonus points awarded for good
 sportsmanship.
- 3. **Tie breaker order**: 1st-Highest Skill-a-Thon Score, 2nd-Showmanship Placing, 3rd older exhibitor wins
- 4. One top award per eligible species will be given and awards will be given to the top participant in each age group by species. Exhibitors can only win the Overall award one time per species.
- No pre-registration is necessary. Scoring will be tallied in the 4-H Office throughout fair week, and scores are available upon request.
- Winners will be notified by no later than 12:00 p.m. on Thursday of fair week and will be recognized during intermission at the Showmanship Sweepstakes Contest.

- 1570 Champion Rabbit Project, Beginner (Special Award)
- 1571 Champion Rabbit Project, Intermediate (Special Award)
- 1572 Champion Rabbit Project, Advanced (Special Award)
- 1573 Overall Grand Champion Rabbit Project (Special Award)

Premium Tables 4-H & Other Youth Fair Premium Book 2022 St. Joseph County Grange Fair

Premium table <u>numbers</u> are listed directly under each <u>section</u> heading (and in some cases for specific classes), and refer to the premium tables listed below. The premium table for a given section applies to <u>all</u> classes in the section. **Exception:** No premiums are awarded in Best Exhibit, Best-in-Class, Best-of-Show, Champion, Reserve Champion, Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion classes. **Note:** In the event the receipts of the fair or MDA funding are insufficient to pay the expenses and premiums in full, the premiums will be prorated among those entitled to premiums.

A, B, C Premium Tables					
Table No.	"A" Rating	"B" Rating	"C" Rating		
1	3.00	2.00	1.00		
2	4.00	3.00	2.00		
3	5.00	4.00	3.00		
4	6.00	5.00	4.00		
5	7.00	6.00	5.00		
6	8.00	7.00	6.00		
7	10.00	5.00	3.00		
7a	11.00	7.00	4.00		
8	15.00	10.00			
9	15.00	10.00	5.00		
10	18.00	11.00	7.00		
11	25.00	15.00	-		
12	25.00	15.00	10.00		
12a	25.00	18.00	11.00		
13	35.00	25.00			
14	35.00 25.00 15.		15.00		

Placing Premium Tables								
Table No.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
101	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
102	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
103	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
104	8.00	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
105	8.00	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00
105a	12.00	10.00	9.00	7.00	6.00	5.00	3.00	2.00
106	15.00	10.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
107	16.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	4.00	2.00



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