



DEPARTMENT 30 - CATS
KEVIN FRICK - Superintendent

ONLINE ENTRIES—be prepared to type

Animal Name
Breed
DOB – date of birth
Current Rabies Tag #

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Exhibitors must comply with all General Rules & Regulations and all Cat Department Specific Rules.
2. To participate in the 4-H Cat Show, a member must be enrolled in the Cat Project by May 1 of the current year.
3. Cats must be owned and cared for by the 4-H member.
4. Cats under 4 months of age on day of show may not compete.
5. All cats must be currently immunized against Rabies & Distemper, as of June 1st of the current year, and NOT be renewed between June 1 and the date of the Show.
6. **SEND COPY OF PROOF OF ALL SHOTS TO Valerie Harlan.** Proof can be Rabies or Health Certificate, Shot Record or Pharmaceutical Receipt. **ENTRIES NOT ACCEPTED WITHOUT PROOF OF SHOTS**
7. All Cats must be licensed for the current license year. Proof must be sent to Valerie Harlan. A copy of your 2017 licensing is acceptable at the time of entry. Record of your 2018 license will be required on the day of the show. **ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PROOF.**
8. There will be no limit to number of animals entered, however, participation will be paid for maximum of 5 cats per exhibitor.
9. All cats must come to Fair in appropriate carriers (no "in-arm" cats). Carriers must be kept under tables during show.
10. All animals must be in place by 9 am on Saturday.
11. Animals are to be kept in their cages at all times except during judging. This is for the safety of both the General Public and the animal. Cats may be taken home after the Cat Show is completed.
12. Exhibitors must supply own food and water containers, food, litter pans and litter, fans, ice packs, cage mat, toys, and extension cords.
13. Exhibitors must feed & water their own cats. If you cannot do this, arrangements must be made with the Department Superintendent. **FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN 1/2 OF YOUR PREMIUM PER ANIMAL BEING WITHHELD.**
14. All exhibitors will be expected to keep their cages clean and neat at all times. Cats must be kept cool and comfortable at all times. Each exhibitor must supply a fan for their cat.
15. C.F.A. rules will be used as a guide for judging.
16. **JUDGE MAY DISMISS ANY CAT & EXHIBITOR WHEN HE/SHE FEELS THE CAT IS NOT UNDER CONTROL OR MAY THREATEN THE SAFETY OF OTHERS.**
17. Any animal showing signs of illness or disease will be refused entry. Decision of the Dept. Superintendent is final.
18. All Exhibitors will be required to help clean up and dismantle cages, tables, chairs, decorations, resource area, show area, etc., on Sunday after exhibits released, no exceptions.
19. Show attire - 4-H T-shirts (Green, Khaki, Navy or White). Khaki, Green, Navy or Black slacks or skirts, culottes, split skirt, or Camp Style or Traditional walking shorts no shorter than 3" above knee. **NO TANK TOPS.** Neatness counts.
20. Exhibitor is not required to show his or her own entered cat. The 4-H Substitute must be appropriately dressed and advanced notice must be given to the Superintendent.
21. Good Sportsmanship will be expected of all exhibitors.
22. Time will be given to each exhibitor who would like to do an informal cat demonstration after the awarding of best cat/cats in show. This will enable the exhibitor to have a project completion for their record book.

Proposed Premium: \$5 participation per cage decorated
 Proposed Premium: \$5 participation per cat shown
 Proposed Premium: \$2 informal Cat demonstration

SECTION A – CAGE DECORATION

Cage Decoration Rules

1. Cages may be decorated any time after tables, cages and numbers have been put in place, Decorations must be completed by 2 pm Thursday.
2. Judging will take place at 6 pm Thursday. Ribbons must remain on cage until Sunday after exhibits released and cleanup begins.
3. Cage size - 45"W x 21"D X 24"H. Both doors in front of cages must be accessible. All decorations must be appropriately vented, due to July heat.
4. Decorations will be judged on neatness, imagination, creativity, construction, overall aesthetic value and safety for the cat.
5. You must have a cat entered in the fair cat show to enter a decorated cage that must be safe for the cat. Cat will remain in the cage for cat show.

Classes

JR	INT	SR	
3001	3002	3003	Cage Decoration

SECTION B – PUREBRED

Purebred Rules

1. Any breed accepted by the C.F.A. will be accepted. Specify breed, color and variety if known. Breeds will be broken down into judging sub-departments according to number of entries.
2. Specify whether spayed/neutered, or not. There will be sub-departments for each.

Classes

JR SR

JR	SR	
3004	3007	Tom Cat (Male)
3005	3008	Queen (Female)
3006	3009	Open - Champion Cats from any previous Baltimore County 4-H Fair only (Male & Female)

SECTION C – HOUSEHOLD (MIXED BREEDS)

Household (Mixed Breeds) Rules

1. Cats must be spayed or neutered; proof must be MAILED TO Valerie Harlan with Proof of Shots, Rule #7.
2. Cats will be divided into sub-departments according to coat length, color, and eye color on the day of the show. MAIL THIS information to Valerie Harlan with Proof of Shots, Rule #7.

Classes

JR SR

JR	SR	
3010	3013	Tom Cat (Male)
3011	3014	Queen (Female)
3012	3015	Open – Champion Cats from any previous Baltimore County 4-H Fair only (Male & Female)

SECTION D – INFORMAL CAT DEMONSTRATION

Class

3016	Informal Cat Demonstration
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