



DEPARTMENT 24 RABBITS and CAVIES
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RABBITS

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. **Note: All entries are subject to Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in Maryland.** Exhibitors must comply with all General Rules and Regulations and all Livestock Department Rules and Regulations.
2. **A \$1.00 fee will be assessed for all rabbits and cavies entered.** Exhibitors will only receive premiums for up to 5 rabbits, no matter the total entries. **These NON-REFUNDABLE FEES MUST BE MAILED TO Valerie Harlan by June 1st.**
3. **Exhibitor may enter more than one animal per class.**
4. **Exhibitors must complete a Self Certification of Rabbit Health Form prior to loading animals & present it upon arrival to the designated fair & show representatives.**
5. **Rabbits must arrive with an individual identification of each animal; tattoo.**
6. All Exhibitors will carry their own animals to & from the show table. Exception: exhibitors showing another animal at this Fair, can ask a Baltimore County 4-Her to carry their animal. **ABSOLUTELY NO ADULTS ARE TO CARRY ANIMALS.**
7. There will be no interaction between the public and the animals at any time. This is for the safety of the animals as well as the public. **NO SALE OR ADVERTISEMENT OF RABBITS PERMITTED.**
8. Exhibitors must supply own feed and water in recognized animal containers. (Crocks, metal, or plastic containers that mount to the inside of the wire of the cage) No cans of any kind permitted.
9. Exhibitors must feed and water their animals daily and sign the Department sign-up sheet, after caring for their animals. If the exhibitor cannot comply, arrangements must be made with the Department Superintendents. Failure to do so will result in ½ of your premium per animal being withheld.
10. Rabbits received Wednesday 3 to 6 pm. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
11. Judging will take place Saturday at 10:00 am. Show clothes are required and will consist of a white or hunter green polo type short sleeve shirt with a collar and pair of khaki slacks or Camp Style or Traditional Walking shorts no shorter than 3" above the knee.
12. Any animal showing signs of illness or disease will be refused entry. Decision of Superintendent is final.
13. **PET CLASS** will be judged according to condition of fur, general health, etc. **NO PEDIGREE ANIMALS** entitled to show in a normal breed will be accepted in the Pet Class.
14. One substitution will be allowed at time of entry in same sex, breed, and class per exhibitor.
15. **When entering your rabbits, all Exhibitors must sign up for the Rabbit Information Table — two 1-hour time slots; limit of two exhibitors per time slot.**
16. Exhibitors are not permitted to stay overnight in the Rabbit Dept.

Rosettes awarded to BOB & BOS of each breed. Awards will be given for Best in Show Rabbit, 1st and 2nd Reserve.

Proposed Premium - \$5 participation per animal shown. **Maximum premiums paid per exhibitor: 5 rabbits**
Meat Pen considered one animal for premium purposes.

RABBITS

SECTION A – BUCK SECTION B – DOE

Classes

2401	JR aged Breed Class, MUST ENTER BREED FROM BELOW ; if breed is not purebred, enter in Pet Class
2402	6/8 aged Breed Class
2403	SR aged Breed Class, MUST ENTER BREED FROM BELOW
2404	Pet Class, crossbred rabbits
2405	Meat Pen. 3 of any sex, not over 5 lbs. per rabbit, not over 10 weeks old. Champion and Reserve Champion must be sold at Livestock Auction. Other Meat Pens may be offered for auction at the discretion of exhibitor.

ONLINE ENTRIES—be prepared to type
Breed Code – from dept list Tattoo # and Color

Breed Codes – MUST BE ENTERED ONLINE

- 1 American Chinchilla
- 2 American Fuzzy Lop (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 3 American
- 4 American Sable (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 5 Belgian Hare (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 6 Beveren
- 7 Britannia Petite (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 8 Californian
- 9 Champagne D'argent
- 10 Checkered Giant
- 11 Cinnamon
- 12 Cream D'argent
- 13 Dutch (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 14 Dwarf Hotot (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 15 English Angora (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 16 English Lop
- 17 English Spot (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 18 Flemish Giant
- 19 Florida White (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 20 French Angora (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 21 French Lop
- 22 Giant Angora
- 23 Giant Chinchilla
- 24 Harlequin (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)

- 25 Havana (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 26 Himalayan (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 27 Holland Lop (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 28 Hotot de Blanc
- 29 Jersey Woolly (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 30 Lilac (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 31 Lionhead
- 32 Mini Lop (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 33 Mini Rex (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 34 Netherland Dwarf (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 35 New Zealand
- 36 Palomino
- 37 Polish (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 38 Rex (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 39 Rhinelander (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 40 Satin Angora (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 41 Satin
- 42 Silver Fox
- 43 Silver (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 44 Silver Marten (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 45 Standard Chinchilla (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 46 Tan (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 47 Mini Satin (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 48 Thrianta (*Not eligible for breed class 2402*)
- 49 Any Other Recognized Breed

CAVIES

ONE DAY SHOW ON SATURDAY



SPECIFIC RULES

1. Cavies entered on Friday from 4-6 pm. No exceptions.
2. Exhibitor may enter more than one animal per class.
3. **A \$1.00 fee will be assessed for all cavies entered.** Exhibitors will only receive premiums for up to 5 cavies, no matter the total entries. These **NON-REFUNDABLE FEES** MUST BE MAILED TO Valerie Harlan by June 1st.
4. Exhibitors must complete a Self Certification of Rabbit Health Form prior to loading animals & present it upon arrival to the designated fair & show representatives.
5. Cavies judged on Saturday at 10 am and released at 4 pm Saturday afternoon. **Entries arriving Saturday morning will not be entered.**
6. Cavies do not need to be tagged in order to be shown.
7. Judging will take place Saturday at 10:00 am. Show clothes are required and will consist of a white or hunter green polo type short sleeve shirt with a collar and pair of khaki slacks or Camp Style or Traditional Walking shorts no shorter than 3" above the knee.
8. All Exhibitors will carry their own animals to & from the show table. Exception: exhibitors showing another animal at this Fair, can ask a Baltimore County 4-Her to carry their animal. **ABSOLUTELY NO ADULTS ARE TO CARRY ANIMALS.**
9. Any animal showing signs of illness or disease will be refused entry. Decision of Superintendents will be final.
10. One substitution will be allowed at time of entry in same sex, breed, and class per exhibitor.
11. **PET CLASS** will be judged according to condition of fur, general health, etc. **NO PEDIGREE ANIMALS** entitled to show in a normal breed will be accepted in the Pet Class.
12. Cages are not provided for cavies. Exhibitor must provide their own cage. Aquariums will not be permitted.
13. Exhibitor must provide own food and water containers. Only recognized food and water containers will be allowed. No cans of any kind. Exhibitors must provide their own food and bedding.
14. Exhibitors are not permitted to stay in rabbit dept. overnight.
15. Rosettes will be given for BOB and BOS in each breed.

Proposed Premium - \$5 participation per animal shown
Maximum premium paid per exhibitor: 5 cavies

CAVIES

SECTION C – BOAR SECTION D – SOW

Cavy Breed Codes

Classes **MUST ENTER BREED FROM BELOW**

2406	Jr. aged breed class, cavy under 4 months of age
2407	Intermediate aged breed class, cavy 4-6 months of age
2408	Senior aged breed class, cavy 6 months of age & over
2409	Pet Class (Crossbred Cavies - No Breed Code)

MUST BE ENTERED ONLINE

2410	Abyssinian	2417	Silkie
2411	Abyssinian Satin	2418	Silkie Satin
2412	American	2419	Teddy
2413	American Satin	2420	Teddy Satin
2414	Coronet	2421	Texel
2415	Peruvian	2422	White Crested
2416	Peruvian Satin		

SECTION E—Rabbit Showmanship/Written Test

SPECIFIC RULES

1. Entries accepted up to ½ hour before the contest with the superintendent.
2. The showmanship test will be given on Friday from 4-6 pm.
3. Showmanship test may consist of a written test, identification of equipment, breeds, feed, quality assurance, and the showing of a rabbit amongst other things.



Classes

2423	Novice -1 st time	2425	Intermediate
2424	Junior	2426	Senior

SECTION F—Rabbit Hopping and Agility



SPECIFIC RULES

1. RABBIT HOPPING WILL BE A NON-PREMIUM AWARDED EVENT. Ribbons only will be awarded.
2. Rabbit hopping will be held on Friday, at 2pm.
3. Rabbits entered in the **Basic Class** are those that have been hopping for under 3 years. Rabbits entered in the **Advanced Class** are those that have been hopping for 3 years or more.

Classes

2427	Basic
2428	Advanced



DORIS & BOB KIRKLAND HERDSMAN AWARD

Exhibitors Automatically Entered

Award presented to the exhibitor who:

1. ensures cleanliness of their rabbits & cages.
2. exemplifies the 4-H spirit of "I'll be glad to."
3. ensures rabbits have water at all times
4. ensures rabbits have feed or hay at all times
5. ensure floor around their rabbit cages swept
6. displays courtesy and consideration to others as well as sportsman like conduct at all times

There will be different volunteers coming through the Rabbit Department several times each day from 10:00 A.M. to 10:00 pm to check the condition of your cages.