

Jr. Market & Youth Breeding Rabbits

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Check In: Tuesday of fair week 7am-12pm

Jr. Market Show: Wednesday of fair week – 8:00am

Youth Breeding Show: Wednesday of fair week – 1:30pm

****Entries Close 11pm First Friday of September****

Division Rules

This is an unsanctioned rabbit show, however, an attempt to secure a licensed ARBA judge will be made but not guaranteed. All entries will be judged in accordance with the ARBA Standard of Perfection. A copy of the standard is available to look at through the Superintendent.

See General Livestock Rules

Health: See General Rules: Livestock Health Requirements

Ownership:

All rabbits must be owned and cared for by the exhibitor for 90 consecutive days immediately prior to the opening of the fair. Exhibitors entering Meat Pens/Fryers in the Junior Market Rabbit (JMR) division must have owned and cared for the DOE of those entries at least 90 consecutive days immediately prior to the opening day of the fair. Each rabbit shall be tattooed at least one week prior to the show. Tattoos must be legible, permanent and in the left ear. ARBA rules for tattooing will apply. If there is a tattoo issue, please see the Superintendent on check-in day.

YQCA Certification:

All Exhibitors of Junior Market Animals are required to submit a YQCA Certificate number at entry. No Junior Market animal will be allowed to show without the number.

Entries:

The entry deadline is 11:00 pm (mst) on the first Friday of September of the current year. Entries will only be accepted on-line through the Southern New Mexico State Fair website. The fee is \$8.00 per class. Each rabbit can only be entered in one division, then in a single class in that division. Rabbit date of birth is required. The opening date of the show shall govern the age of the rabbit. The entry fee for the Showmanship Class is \$5. Late Entry Fee: Late Entries will be accepted until September 15 of the current year with a late

fee of \$25 per animal. ALL ENTRIES WILL BE ENTERED & PAID ONLINE. JMR Classes: Limit of 3 entries per exhibitor in each of the Fryer, Pen of Three (considered a single entry), Roaster and Stewer classes. Any rabbit that has been previously sold in a non-premium sale (including SNMSF&R) CANNOT be entered in the SNMSF&R rabbit show. No entry limits for YBR.

Arrival:

Rabbit entries must be on the grounds by 12pm on Tuesday of Fair week. All rabbits must be checked-in with the Superintendent or Assistant. Once checked-in no rabbits can be removed from the fair until a release is obtained from the Superintendent. Rabbits showing signs of disease, infection, parasite, runny noses, or open sores will not be accepted and/or will be released if issues arise anytime during fair week. Cages will be assigned by the Superintendent and rabbits are not to be moved once assigned. Zip ties are required on all cages. Locks are discouraged for emergency reasons. Rabbits that have been determined to be neutered or spayed will be disqualified.

Show Weight:

Rabbits will weigh in at check-in. (See JMR Classes for weight rules). There is a two-ounce allowance, but the final determination of class is up to the Superintendent. If an exhibitor exceeds the number of entries at check-in because of weight changes then one entry can either be moved within the JMR, or to the YBR. Pen of three is considered a single entry so only one rabbit will move and the other two will be sent home with the exhibitor. Substitutions will be allowed in both market (JMR) and youth (YBR) with prior approval/notification of the Superintendent at check-in of the fair week. Substitutions in YBR must be the same breed, age, variety, and class.

Barn:

Feeding equipment and shavings will be provided by the Fair Management but the exhibitor is responsible for the care of their animals. Exhibitors will be required to clean under their pens by Friday of fair week and again when checking out. Each exhibitor's family is required to sign up to monitor the barn for a 2-hour block.

Sale:

Only Junior Market Rabbits (JMR) will be eligible for the Junior Livestock Sale. A total of 10 JMR will be eligible for the sale. Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Rabbit are required to sell. The remaining 8 slots are as follows:

- JMR Fryer - 2 placings go to sale
- JMR Pen of Three - 2 placings go to sale
- JMR Roasters - 2 placings go to sale
- JMR Stewers - 2 placings go to sale

Releases:

Rabbits will remain in place until the official check-out time (see schedule of events.) Rabbits MUST be picked up by 3 pm on Sunday of the fair week. To be released, the exhibitor must clean under all cages their rabbits have occupied. Also, all equipment needs to be returned to appropriate storage tubs. The exhibitor must be checked off by the Superintendent or the Assistant before the exhibitor can remove the rabbits from the barn. Rabbits that have sold cannot be removed until Sunday of fair week and a release must be checked off. Rabbits sold to another exhibitor must be included on the buyer's release. Release destination sheets can be picked up in the livestock office at any time and are due back by 10:30 am Saturday of fair week.

Showmanship

A showmanship contest will be held following the Junior Market Rabbit show and is open to all entered exhibitors. Champion showmanship buckles will be presented in Novice, Junior, and Senior age groups. A showmanship class fee of \$5 must be paid at time of entry.

Class 1 – Novice Buckle for 1st place

Class 2 – Junior Buckle for 1st place

Class 3 - Senior Buckle for 1st place

RABBIT SHOW SPECIAL RULES

Exhibitors who meet the division requirements can show in more than one division. Divisions are classified as follows:

- A. Division JMR (Junior Market Rabbits) – youth exhibitor must have passed his/her 9th birthday or be 8 years old in the third grade but cannot be in 6th grade and not have passed his/her 12th birthday prior to January 1 of the current year.
- B. Division YBR (Youth Breeding Rabbits) - current/active 4-H/FFA members 5-19 years of age. Cloverbuds can enter YBR.
- C. Division PWS (Pee Wee Showmanship) - Exhibitors from 3-8 years of age (unless eligible for the JMR). No entry or fee required, just inform the Superintendent of intent. PWS will be held after the JMR show. Rabbits can be borrowed. No buckles are awarded; this is a learning opportunity. Everyone will receive a ribbon.

Jr. Market Rabbit Classes

The exhibitor will put his/her own rabbit on the table for the Judge. Exhibitors may have help if showing another market animal at the same time or under special circumstances by another 4-H or FFA exhibitor.

Fryer

One rabbit not over 70 days of age. 3 ½ lbs to 5 ½ lbs

Pen of Three

Pen shall consist of three rabbits all the same breed and variety, under 70 days of age. 3 ½ lbs to 5 ½ lbs

Roaster

One rabbit under 6 months of age. 5 ½ lbs to 8 lbs

Stewer

One rabbit 6 to 8 months old. Over 8 lbs.

Ribbons will be given for placings 1-6

1st & 2nd placings will be brought back for the Grand Drive

JMR Awards

Champion of Show

Grand Champion.....Buckle, Rosette & Banner

Reserve Grand Champion.....Buckle, Rosette & Banner

A 3rd, 4th and 5th overall JMR will be selected after the grand and reserve are chosen.

3rd-5th overall.....Banner



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Youth Breeding Rabbit Classes

Rabbits are required to be an ARBA recognized breed and include variety/group (if applicable). Breeds can be found at ARBA.net. The Superintendent is not responsible for determining a rabbit's sex, breed, variety, or class. The following information will be needed for online entries in the YBR:

Ear tattoo #: permanent identification in the left ear

Breed: ARBA recognized

Variety, if applicable: a division within a breed or group determined by color

Class: Senior – Junior – Pre-Junior – Intermediate 6/8, determined by the ARBA breed standard

Sex: Buck or Doe

Rabbits in YBR determined to be of mixed breed or not recognized by ARBA will be placed in a separate class and judged on the health and care of the rabbit. This class is NOT eligible for Best of Breed, Best of Show, or Reserve Best of Show ribbons, buckles, banners, or any ribbons.

YBR Awards

Champion of Show

Best of Show.....Buckle, Rosette & Banner

Reserve Best of Show.....Buckle, Rosette & Banner



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