

Section J – Youth Poultry Show

Large Poultry, Guinea, Ducks, Geese, Turkey, Pigeons & Bantams

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Entry- Saturday, August 29 at 9:00 a.m.

Departure- Saturday, August 29 at 5:00 p.m.

Please Note Vehicle Access Restrictions

Vehicles Are Not Permitted on Fair Grounds During Fair Operations

8:30AM- 11:30PM

Rules and Regulations

1. Animal health regulations in General Information must be complied with.
2. Poultry entries will not be accepted for exhibition from any state where avian influenza, a serious transmissible disease of poultry, has been diagnosed. Should this disease appear in a New York flock, as a disease control measure, the New York State Fair Poultry Show may be cancelled.
3. Your NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Flock form must be submitted with your entry and a copy must be brought and given to the Poultry Superintendent upon arrival.
4. Any interpretation of regulations 2 or 3 will be made by the Agricultural Staff of the Fair in consultation with the Director of Animal Industry and the Superintendent of the New York State Fair Poultry Show. Failure to follow animal health regulations may result in forfeiture of premiums and/or suspension from being able to show animals in future years at the NYS Fair.
5. All entries will be inspected prior to caging to ensure only healthy, disease-free birds are accepted.
6. No birds are allowed to be sold during the fair.
7. All entries must be completed online by **Friday, August 17, 2026 at 5:00 pm** here: <https://nysfys.fairwire.com/>. For instructions on using the online entry system www.nysfair.ny.gov/competitions/how-to-enter/
 - a. Exhibitors *must* receive endorsement of a county 4-H Educator, FFA Advisor or other breed organization as permitted by the specific department. Any entry that does not receive endorsement may be scratched.
 - b. Additionally, all exhibitors must meet all the requirements set by that organization (i.e., membership, ownership, specific class requirements, etc.) as well as any animal health and registration requirements specified by their department.
 - c. Exhibitors are responsible for emailing their entry receipt to their County Educator and Department Superintendent. A directory of these contacts is located here www.nys4-h.org/new-york-state-fair
 - d. **Each exhibitor is limited to 10 birds.**
9. If youth birds are planning on staying the entire two weeks and plan to show in the open show they must enter in the open show prior to the deadline, no on sight entries will be allowed this year. Visit <https://nysfair.ny.gov/competitions/how-to-enter/> for more information.
10. Judging will begin at 9:00 am on Saturday, August 29th. 4-H exhibitor's birds may leave after judging but must hand carry to the parking lot. **ABSOLUTELY NO VEHICLES PERMITTED ON THE GROUNDS.** Fitting and Showmanship will begin at 9:00 am Awards will be at approx. 3:00 pm
11. No entries will be accepted unless listed in the premium book.

12. No one other than owner or show official will be permitted to open any coop or to handle any specimen without express permission of the Superintendent.
13. Unworthy birds **SHALL NOT** receive any placing, ribbon, or premium award.
14. **4-H/Youth exhibitors are eligible to show the same birds in Open Class.** If they would like to enter in the open show please visit <https://nysfair.ny.gov/competitions/how-to-enter/>
15. The Danish System will be used in judging. A rosette will be awarded for Best and Reserve in the following major classes: Large Fowl, Guinea, Duck, Goose, Turkey Bantam Chicken and Pigeon. Poultry will be judged using the American Standard of Perfection and the American Bantam Association Standard.
16. One day premium will be awarded to each exhibitor.
17. Birds will be inspected daily by a veterinarian from the Bureau of Animal Industry, NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets. Birds affected with any contagious disease(s) will be returned to the owner or isolated from the Poultry Building. Birds removed by the veterinarian or birds substituted for birds removed, must be examined by the veterinarian before they are returned to the show.
18. **A SPECIMEN ONE YEAR OR MORE IN AGE SHALL BE CONSIDERED A COCK OR HEN.** A specimen under one year of age shall be considered a cockerel or pullet.
19. The greatest possible care will be taken of all exhibits, but the Management is not responsible for any accident, mistake, loss, or damage that occurs, the specimens being entered at the sole risk of owner. Competent personnel will oversee the exhibition night and day, and the Management will do all in its power for the safety and protection of all exhibits.
20. All specimens are to be exhibited in their natural condition except Game and Game Bantams.
21. The Management reserves the right to change and revise the assignment of judges when the same is deemed advisable for the best interest of the Department.
22. Fitting and Showmanship, Saturday, August 29th, 9:00 am, Poultry Building. Sign up at that time with 4-H Poultry Superintendent.

INFORMATION FROM EXHIBITORS

We will welcome constructive suggestions for the betterment of the show. We feel that our classifications and prize money are liberal, and we hope that you will show and attend in person the Great New York State Fair Poultry and Pet Stock Show.

REFER TO RULES 13 – 14 FOR AWARDS

Contact your Extension Office for help in class identification.

Large Breed Chicken Classes

AMERICAN CLASS

Plymouth Rocks, Dominiques, Wyandottes, Javas, Rhode Island Reds, Rhode Island Whites, Buckeyes, Chanteclars, Jersey Giants, Lamonas, New Hampshires, Hollands and Delawares

ASIATIC CLASS

Cochins, Langshans, Brahmas

ENGLISH CLASS

Dorkings, Redcaps, Cornish, Orpingtons, Sussex, Australoprs

MEDITERRANEAN CLASS

Leghorns, Minorcas, Spanish, Andalusians, Anconas, Sicilian Buttercups, Catalanans

CONTINENTAL CLASS

Hamburgs, Campines, Lakenvelders, Polish, Houdans, Crevecoers, LaFleche, Faverolles, Welsumers and Barnevelders

ALL OTHER STANDARD BREEDS

Modern Games, Old English Games, Sumatras, Malays, Cubalayas, Phoenix, Yokohamas, Aseels, Shamos, Sultans, Naked Necks, Araucanas, Ameraucanas

Bantam Breed Classes

MODERN GAME BANAMS

Modern Game

GAME BANTAMS

American Game, Old English Game

SINGLE COMB CLEAN LEGGED BANTAMS

Anconas, Andalusians, Australoprs, Campines, Catalanans, Delawares, Dorkings, Dutch, Hollands, Japanese, Javas, Jersey Giants, Lakenvelders, Lamonas, Leghorns, Minorcas, Naked Necks, New Hampshires, Orpingtons, Phoenix, Plymouth Rocks, Rhode Island Reds, Spanish and Sussex

ROSECOMB CLEAN LEGGED BANTAMS

Anconas, Antwerps Belgians (D'Anvers), Dominiques, Dorkings, Hamburgs, Leghorns, Minorcas, Recaps, Rhode Island Reds, Rhode Island Whites, Rosecombs, Sebrights, Wyandottes

ALL OTHER CLEAN LEGGED BANTAMS

Americanas, Araucanas, Buckeyes, Chanteclers, Cornish, Crevecoeurs, Cubalayas, Houdans, LaFleche, Malays, Polish, Shamos, Sicilian Buttercups, Sumatras, Yokohamas

FEATHER LEGGED BANTAMS

Booted, Brahas, Cochins, Belgian d'Uccle, Faverolles, Langshans, Silkies, Sultans

Duck Classes

HEAVY WEIGHT CLASS

Pekin, Aylesbury, Rouen, Muscovy, Appleyard, Saxony

MEDIUM WEIGHT CLASS

Cayuga, Crested, Swedish, Buff

LIGHT WEIGHT CLASS

Runner, Campbell, Magpie, Welsh Harlequin

BANTAM DUCK CLASS

Call, East Indies, Mallards

Goose Classes

HEAVY CLASS

Toulouse, Embden, African

MEDIUM CLASS

Sebastopol, Pilgrim, American Buff, Pomeranian

LIGHT CLASS

Chinese, Tufted Roman, Canada, Egyptian

Turkey Class*all turkeys compete in one class*

Bronze, Narragansett, White Holland, Black, Slate, Bourbon Red, Beltsville Small White, Royal Palm

Guinea Fowl Class*all Guinea Fowl compete in one class*

Lavender, Pearl and White

**FOR CLARIFICATION, REFER TO THE AMERICAN POULTRY ASSOCIATION
BREED CLASS LIST****LARGE FOWL CLASSES – SECTION JA**

Class	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
American	101	102	103	104
Asiatic	105	106	107	108
Mediterranean	109	110	111	112
English	113	114	115	116
Continental	117	118	119	120
Any Other Standard Breed	121	122	123	124

GUINEA CLASSES – SECTION JB

Class	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
All Colors	125	126	127	128

DUCKS – SECTION JC

Old Class	Old Drake	Young Duck	Young Drake	Duck
Bantam	129	130	131	132
Light	133	134	135	136
Medium	137	138	139	140
Heavy	141	142	143	144

GEESE – SECTION JD

Old Class	Old Gander	Young Goose	Young Gander	Goose
Light	145	146	147	148
Medium	149	150	151	152
Heavy	153	154	155	156

TURKEYS – SECTION JE

Old Class	Old Tom	Young Hen	Young Tom	Hen
All Varieties	157	158	159	160

BANTAM CHICKENS – SECTION JF

Class	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Modern Game	161	162	163	164
Old English Game	165	166	167	168
Rose Comb Clean Legged	169	170	171	172
Feather Legged	173	174	175	176
Single Comb Clean Legged	177	178	179	180
Any Other Comb Clean Legged	181	182	183	184

PIGEONS – SECTION JG

Class	Cock	Hen	Young Bird
Pigeons	185	186	187