

DEPARTMENT 55 – JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION RABBIT MEAT PENS

ENTRIES OPEN: February 1, 2018

ENTRIES CLOSE: April 24, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. (30 day ownership deadline)

EXHIBITS RECEIVED: Wednesday, May 23 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. MUST BE IN PLACE BY 4 pm

ENTER IN “LIVESTOCK GATE” & CHECK IN AT RABBIT BARN

RABBIT MEAT PEN SHOW BEGINS AT 5:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY, MAY 23

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 per class

Animals judged “MARKET READY” are eligible for the Jr. Livestock Auction (blue ribbon)

Animals judged “NOT MARKET READY” are NOT eligible for the Jr. Livestock Auction (red ribbon)

FFA & 4-H RABBIT MEAT PENS

1. Rabbit Meat pen entries open February 1, 2018 and close 5:00 p.m. April 24, 2018. 40 Rabbit Meat pen entries will be accepted. If more than 40 rabbit meat pen entries are received at 3 pm on the 5th business day after opening, the Fair shall institute a lottery to draw 40 exhibitors for the primary list. A second lottery will determine waitlist order. PLEASE SEE LOCAL RULE #60 FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION.
2. Exhibitor is limited to one market animal entry.
3. Open to residents, students, or members of recognized Butte County clubs or chapters, or Independent Exhibitors with primary residence in Butte County. For complete eligibility information see Local Rules #56, 57 & 58.
4. Rabbits, three of the same approximate age and same breed and variety, and not over 10 weeks of age will comprise ONE meat pen.
5. Rabbit Meat Pens must be owned at least 30 consecutive days prior to May 23. If members of an Organization, exhibitors must be enrolled in the Rabbit Project for 60 consecutive days prior to May 24 as per CDFA State Rule Section VII, Rule #26. **See Local Rule #62 for photo requirement/proof of ownership.**
6. Meat Pen Rabbits must be identified by permanent ear tattoos. Individual tattoo numbers must be listed on entry form and must match tattoos in rabbit's ear when checked in. Tattoos must be submitted to Fair Office no later than April 24, 2018 (30 day ownership deadline).
7. **Minimum weight for each rabbit is 3 ½ pounds to maximum weight for each rabbit of 5 ½ pounds. Rabbit Meat Pens are sold by the PEN.** Rabbits may be weighed prior to judging at the discretion of Fair Management.
8. Exhibitors are required to submit a completed Drug Use Form for market animals. Form must be submitted to the Livestock Office before animal is shown in market classes. No animal will be allowed to sell at the Junior livestock Auction unless the Drug Use Form has been submitted and any withdrawal periods have been met. If drug residue is found in an animal carcass during processing, the exhibitor may be held responsible for repayment to Junior Livestock Auction Buyer, and may be responsible for any additional costs. See Local Rules 70 & 71.
9. Junior Exhibitors are required to fit and groom their own animals. See Local Rule #50.
10. Once a market animal has been weighed in & met weight requirements, the animal will not be released to exhibitor except for the following:
 - a. the animal is determined by the Judge as “not market ready” and thereby disqualified from the Jr. Livestock Auction.
 - b. the animal has been released by Judge or Fair Management for safety or health purposes.
 - c. an exhibitor has been disqualified by the Fair for rule violations.
 - d. an animal has been released by Fair Management for approved purposes.Under no circumstances shall a Jr. Livestock animal leave the grounds without an official release signed by Fair Management. Once an animal has been released and leaves the grounds, the animal is not eligible for the Junior Livestock Auction. **Exhibitors that remove animals without official permission are considered in violation of rules and subject to sanctioning which may include disqualification of entries, awards returned, premiums and/or auction proceeds not paid and/or exhibitor not being allowed to show at future Silver Dollar Fairs.**
11. Jr. Livestock Auction Meat Pen judging will begin at 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 23. EXHIBITOR MUST PRESENT ANIMALS FOR JUDGING.
12. **Only animals determined by the Rabbit Meat pen Judge to be “market ready” are eligible for auction.**
13. 4-H shows first in even years; FFA shows first in odd years.
14. There will be a 6% commission on all livestock sold through the Junior Livestock Auction, to be automatically deducted from the exhibitor's gross sale price. See Local Rule #89.
15. The Junior Livestock Auction is a TERMINAL SALE. No Live Animal Pickup - No Exceptions. No registration papers will be provided by the seller. Buyer of animals through the Auction shall not negotiate resale of animals during the sale. Transfer of animals from one buyer to another will not be permitted through the sale office.
16. After rabbit meat pens have been sold at the Junior Livestock Auction, exhibitor should return their animals to their assigned pen. Exhibitor is responsible for feeding & watering rabbits through 6:00 p.m. Monday, May 28 (end of fair).
17. State and Local Rules apply.

**DEPARTMENT 55 – FFA & 4-H RABBIT MEAT PENS
 DIVISION A – FFA JR. LIVESTOCK AUCTION RABBIT MEAT PENS
 RIBBON AWARDS ONLY**

Class Name of Class

- 1 FFA Meat Pen, Standard Breeds – 3 ½ - 5 ½ lbs.

**“MARKET READY” RABBIT MEAT PENS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION - Blue Ribbon
 “NOT MARKET READY” ANIMALS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION - Red Ribbon**

2017 SILVER DOLLAR FAIR MARKET CHAMPIONS

**DEPARTMENT 55 – FFA & RABBIT MEAT PENS
 DIVISION B – 4-H JR. LIVESTOCK AUCTION RABBIT MEAT PENS
 RIBBON AWARDS ONLY**

Class Name of Class

- 1 4-H Meat Pen, Standard Breeds – 3 ½ - 5 ½ lbs.

