

## RABBITS

### DEPARTMENT 9 OPEN CLASS RABBITS

### DEPARTMENT 110- 4-H & FFA RABBITS

**ENTRY FEE - \$4.00 per animal**

**Entries limited to 15 rabbits per family/farm (OPEN CLASS ONLY)**

**15 Rabbit limit per 4H/FFA member**

**Rabbits are not limited to two per class.**

**Westmoreland County residents housed first.**

#### **HEALTH RULES FOR RABBITS**

1. A valid Veterinary-client-patient relationship (VCPR) form, signed by all parties, and issued within **90 days** of fair check-in are required. Completion of the CVI does NOT require an in-person examination by a veterinarian but does require the veterinarian signature. Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) are not required for entry but may be used in place of a VCPR form. CVIs must be completed and dated within **30 days** of entry. **Copies of the VCPR form or CVI MUST be collected at the time of check-in and entry into the Westmoreland Fair.**
2. Recommendations: Vaccination of Pennsylvania origin rabbits against RHDV-2 is encouraged but not required.

#### **Out of State Rabbits:**

All rabbits originating from out of state must comply with the Westmoreland Fair Health Rules and the requirements set forth by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture at

<https://www.agriculture.pa.gov/Animals/AHDServices/Documents/2018%20Animal%20Health%20Rules%20for%20PA%20Fairs.pdf>

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1. Rabbits that are sold cannot leave the fairgrounds until midnight Saturday August 24, 2024. This is the responsibility of the seller. If this rule is broken, the exhibitor will not be allowed to exhibit at the next fair.
  2. All rabbits must be picked up by 12:30pm Sunday, August 25, 2024.
  3. The fair reserves the right to limit entries based on available space. If entries need to be returned, preference will be given to 4-H & FFA exhibitors who need to complete their projects.
  4. Each exhibitor must sign a statement as to the rabbit being free from known health disorders.
  5. No rabbit may compete in more than one class.
  6. Cages will be furnished. EXHIBITOR must keep all cages clean. Food, water and bedding are the owner's responsibility. Do not use CEDAR CHIPS for bedding!
  7. All rabbits must be tattooed.
  8. Only one rabbit per cage with the exception of a meat pen.
  9. Rabbit-only exhibitors will receive their passes from the Superintendent when rabbits are checked in.
  10. Other than to go to the small arena for the Show, Animal Dress-up, or rabbit hopping, rabbits are not permitted to leave the building unless permission has been granted by a superintendent.
  11. All rabbits entered into the fair MUST show in their respective breed class.
  12. **Cages will be assigned Saturday morning by superintendents as rabbits are accepted into the fair.**  
**Rabbit size**  
**and exhibitor will be taken into account when penning rabbits.**

13. Classifications and breeds are to apply to each of the following breed:

Example entry: Dept. 9 OR Dept. 110, Section B, Class 1 –Rabbits, Dutch, Sr. Buck

| <u>SECTION</u> | <u>BREED</u>  |  |
|----------------|---|--|
| A              | Wool Breeds (Amer. Fuzzy Lops, Angoras & (Jersey Woollys) |  |
| B              | Dutch   |  |
| C              | Himalayan   | <i>These classes are only for Sections A thru K</i>  |
| D              | Holland Lop   |  |
| E              | Polish  |  |
| F              | Mini Lop  |  |
| G              | Mini Rex  | 1. Senior Buck (over 6 months of age)  |
| H              | Netherland Dwarf  | 2. Senior Doe (over 6 months of age)   |
| I              | Lionhead  | 3. Junior Buck (under 6 months of age)   |
| J              | Other Compact   | 4. Junior Doe (under 6 months of age)  |
| K              | Other Full-Arch   | 1 <sup>st</sup> /\$8, 2 <sup>nd</sup> /\$7.50, 3 <sup>rd</sup> /\$6, 4 <sup>th</sup> /\$5.50, 5 <sup>th</sup> /\$4 |

| <u>SECTION</u> | <u>BREED</u>            |  |  |
|----------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| L              | English Lop/French Lop  | <i>These classes are only for Sections L thru N</i>  |  |
| M              | Other Semi-Arch         |  |  |
| N              | Other Commercial Breeds |  |  |
|                |                         |  | 1. Senior Buck (over 8 months of age)    |
|                |                         |  | 2. Senior Doe (over 8 months of age)     |
|                |                         |  | 3. Intermediate Buck (6-8 months of age) |
|                |                         | 4. Intermediate Doe (6-8 months of age)  |  |
|                |                         | 5. Junior Buck (under 6 months of age)   |  |
|                |                         | 6. Junior Doe (under 6 months of age)  |  |
|                |                         | 1 <sup>st</sup> /\$8, 2 <sup>nd</sup> /\$7.50, 3 <sup>rd</sup> /\$6, 4 <sup>th</sup> /\$5.50, 5 <sup>th</sup> /\$4 |  |

Best of Breed      **Rosette**  
Best Opposite Sex      **Rosette**  
Best of Show (consists of champions from each breed)  
**Rosette**

**DEPARTMENT 110-4-H & FFA RABBITS- SECTION O-MEAT PEN**  
**ENTRY FEE - \$4.00 per pen (3 rabbits)**

1. Entry to consist of three animals of the same breed and color per pen.
2. Limited to minimum of 3.5 lbs. and a maximum of 5.5 lbs. each
3. The doe of the meat pen rabbits must be owned and bred by the exhibitor. The Rabbit Superintendents must be notified of the breed date, kindle date, and must inspect litter.
4. All meat pens meeting the requirements will be sold through the Jr.Livestock Auction.
5. **Maximum two pens per exhibitor**

**CLASS 1.** **Pen of 3 Rabbits** for meat purpose      **1<sup>st</sup>/\$15, 2<sup>nd</sup>/\$13,3<sup>rd</sup>/\$11, 4<sup>th</sup>/\$10,**  
**5<sup>th</sup>/\$8**

Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Pen -  
**Rosettes**

**DEPARTMENT 110-4-H & FFA RABBITS- SECTION P-SHOWMANSHIP**

**4-H and FFA members must show a rabbit in the youth rabbit showmanship provided it has been carried and shown as a project and is owned by the exhibitor.**

**CLASS**      **1<sup>st</sup>/\$5, 2<sup>nd</sup>/\$4, 3<sup>rd</sup>/\$3, 4<sup>th</sup>/\$2, 5<sup>th</sup>/\$1**

1. Showmanship (15yrs. and over)
2. Showmanship (12 – 14 yrs.)
3. Showmanship (10– 11 yrs.)
4. Showmanship (8-9 yrs.)

Champion and Reserve Champion Showman -

**Rosettes**

***-Champion and Reserve Champion Showman will be invited to participate in the Fur and Feathers Finale as well as Premier Showmanship.***