



## DIVISION VIII: RABBITS

Superintendent: Leah Struble-Burnham

Please see Rule # 23 Unethical Practices, under MESA COUNTY 4-H AND FFA LIVESTOCK SHOW AND SALE section.

**Note: A record book is required for this project. Market and Breeding animals must have separate record books. Record books must be completed and turned into the Extension Office by September 10, 5:00 p.m.**

1. Animals will be entered between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>.
2. 4-H and FFA Rabbit Show is scheduled for Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Judging will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m.
3. Each rabbit of an exhibitor must have a different legible tattoo number to check in.
4. An exhibitor is limited to a maximum of eight (8) rabbits and one (1) meat class.
5. All rabbits must be property of exhibitor at least one (1) month prior to the rabbit show.
6. No rabbits are to be placed in cages until checked by the superintendent.
7. Market Rabbits must weigh between 3 to 5 lbs. and not be over 12 weeks of age at the fair. In a pen of three market rabbits there can be no more than a total weight difference of ½ lb. Rabbits may either be raised by the exhibitor or purchased and raised at least 4 weeks before fair. Up to 5 rabbits, must be brought to the market rabbit-tattooing day, where they will be tattooed and recorded. This will be held 4 weeks before fair. Three of these rabbits will be weighed in on check in day at the fair and will be shown as the meat pen.
8. No sale of rabbits is to be conducted on the grounds except in Market Class.
9. Exhibitor shall wear showmanship attire (long-sleeved white shirt with long pants or skirt is recommended) in showmanship class.
10. Showmanship age divisions shall be 8-10, 11-13, 14 and up.
11. **NO RABBIT MAY BE EXCHANGED FOR ANOTHER.**  
**AGE CLASSIFICATIONS:** Not all breeds have intermediate age classifications. See A.R.B.A. standards:

Junior Doe.....	3 to 6 months
Junior Buck.....	3 to 6 months
Intermediate Doe.....	6 to 8 months
Intermediate Buck.....	6 to 8 months
Senior Doe.....	over 8 months
Senior Buck.....	over 8 months
13. Classes will be broken down into breed, sex and age (Classes will not be divided by variety). There will be a mixed breed class for rabbits that are not purebred. Any breed where there are not at least 4 in the breed can be combined in any other purebred classes. **Please specify Breed, Sex, Total Number, and Age of each rabbit on your entry card. NO CLASS NUMBERS ARE NECESSARY ON YOUR ENTRY CARD.**

# SHOWMANSHIP

## CLASS

1. Novice Rabbit Showmanship
  2. Junior Rabbit Showmanship
  3. Intermediate Rabbit Showmanship
  4. Senior Rabbit Showmanship
  5. Premier Rabbit
  6. Novice Written Rabbit Test (optional)
  7. Junior Written Rabbit Test (optional)
  8. Intermediate Written Rabbit Test (optional)
  9. Senior Written Rabbit Test (optional)
- Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Junior Showmanship  
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Intermediate Showmanship  
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Senior Showmanship  
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Meat Pen  
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Doe  
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Buck