

Rabbits (Junior)

COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS | BARNYARD



FAIR CONTACT INFORMATION

MARIN COUNTY FAIR FAIR OFFICE	10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael, CA 94903
WEBSITE	www.fair.marincounty.org
EMAIL	FairExhibits@MarinCounty.Gov
REGULAR OFFICE HOURS	Monday to Friday: 9:00am to 5:00pm
FAIR OFFICE HOURS	July 2 (Wednesday) to July 6 (Sunday): 8:00am to 8:00pm
MARIN COUNTY FAIR HOURS	July 2 (Wednesday) to July 6 (Sunday): 11:00am to 11:00pm

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COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS MANAGER	Jennifer Olvera
ONLINE SUBMISSIONS COORDINATOR	Carole Sanders
DEPARTMENT COORDINATOR	Caryl Hodges

For a list of Sponsors, visit www.marinfair.org after June 1, 2025.

COMPETITION CALENDAR

ONLINE ENTRY FORMS DUE	JUNE 29, 2025 – 11:59 PM
COOP-IN (ARRIVAL & CHECK-IN)	JULY 2, 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM
MANDATORY MEETING (EXHIBITORS GUARDIANS)	JULY 2, 10:00 AM
SHOWMANSHIP	JULY 2, 11:30 AM
BREED JUDGING	JULY 2, 1:00 PM
AWARD CEREMONY	JULY 6, 4:00 PM
CAGE CLEAN UP/COOP-OUT	JULY 6, 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

The full Competitive Exhibits Calendar is available on www.marinfair.org.

REGISTRATION

To register for the 2025 Competitive Exhibits, please visit <https://marin.fairwire.com/>

DEPARTMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

Local and State Rules govern this competition.

1. **ELIGIBILITY** - Open to Marin, Sonoma, and Napa County youth competitors (both 4-H and non-4-H) ages 5 - 18.

ENTRY INFORMATION

2. **ENTRY FEES** - \$5.00 per Rabbit | \$7.00 per Meat Pen | Free for Showmanship & Fur
 - a. Fees are NON-refundable.
 - b. Fees INCLUDE: Food, water, & care of animal(s).
3. **ENTRY LIMIT** - 3 Rabbits PER class, PER division
 - a. NOT to exceed 12 Animals per Exhibitor & 2 Meat Pen per Exhibitor
4. **ENTRY IDENTIFICATION** - All animals must be identified by permanent tattoo number conforming with the number listed on entry form.
 - a. Duplications of numbers are not allowed.
 - b. Substitutions must be made two weeks prior to the Fair. If you require assistance in tattooing, please contact the Fair at fairexhibits@marincounty.org.
5. **COOP-IN** – Please arrive between 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM on Wednesday, July 2nd.
6. **REQUIRED MEETING** - Mandatory meeting for Exhibitors and their parents will be held on Wednesday, **July 2 at 10:00 AM** in the Fur & Feathers Tent. All purchased wristbands will be distributed at this meeting.

CREDENTIALING FEES & RULES

7. **CREDENTIALING FEES** - \$15.00 per Exhibitor (Wristbands are for Exhibitors ONLY)
 - a. \$20.00 fee for Wristband replacement if lost.
 - b. Wristband fees are NON-refundable.
 - c. Each Exhibitor should purchase a Barnyard Wristband which covers admission for the 5 days of the Fair.
 - d. Please note that Exhibitors participating in one-day shows ONLY, will not be eligible for wristbands.
8. **CREDENTIALING RULES**
 - a. Failure to Coop-in an animal will result in a forfeit of wristband.
 - b. All Parents, Guardians, and/or Volunteers will receive one fair admission credential and one combined fair admission/parking credential based on the number of days on-site.
 - c. Exhibitors, Parents, Guardians, or Volunteers who have been found giving away their Wristbands or Credentials will be sanctioned with revoked privileges and cash prizes withheld.

ANIMAL ROOM & BOARD

9. Display Cages will be provided by the Fair.

- a. All Exhibitors are expected to perform Cage Cleaning before Rabbits are released on Sunday, July 6, beginning at 5:00pm.
- 10. Food AND Water dishes will be provided by the Fair.
- 11. Rabbits will be fed by Fair Staff when needed.
 - a. For Exhibitors wishing to feed their own Rabbits, feeding must be done BEFORE the Fair opens.
- 12. During Coop-out, animals must be claimed and picked-up by the Competitor. Any other individual must have a signed letter of authorization from the Competitor.
- 13. The Rabbit area has fans and air coolers.

COMPETITION RULES

- 14. Definition and judging procedures as prescribed in the latest edition of *the Standard of the American Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc.* Procedures shall apply to all District and County Fair rabbit shows, provided that they do not conflict with any rules and regulations prescribed by the Department of Food & Agriculture's Fairs & Expositions Division.
- 15. Competitors must have owned their Rabbit at least 30-days PRIOR to the Competitive Exhibits Entry DEADLINE.
- 16. A Judge or Fair Management may remove any Rabbit from competition if it appears to be fatigued or out of condition.

PUBLICITY

- 17. The Marin County Fair reserves the right to photograph any exhibitor/animal/entry in the exhibition for educational, catalog, website, or publicity purposes.

LIABILITY

- 18. The County of Marin, Marin County Fair, and/or its contractors will not be responsible for loss or damage OR illness or death of a pet which may occur from any cause.

DIVISIONS 700 - 704 | HEAVYWEIGHT BREEDS

Entry Fee - \$5.00

DIVISION 700 | AMERICAN
DIVISION 701 | CALIFORNIAN
DIVISION 702 | CHAMPAGNE D'ARGENT

DIVISION 703 | NEW ZEALAND
DIVISION 704 | ALL OTHER
HEAVYWEIGHT BREEDS

CLASSES (Submission Categories)

1. **Senior Buck** | 8 months of age & over
2. **Senior Doe** | 8 months of age & over
3. **Intermediate Buck** | 6 months of age & under 8 months
4. **Intermediate Doe** | 6 months of age & under 8 months
5. **Junior Buck** | Under 6 months of age
6. **Junior Doe** | Under 6 months of age

DIVISIONS 705 - 716 | LIGHTWEIGHT BREEDS

Entry Fee - \$5.00

DIVISION 705 | DUTCH
DIVISION 706 | FLORIDA WHITE
DIVISION 707 | HIMALAYAN
DIVISION 708 | HOLLAND LOP
DIVISION 709 | JERSEY WOOLEY
DIVISION 710 | LIONHEAD:
RECOGNIZED VARIETIES

DIVISION 711 | LIONHEAD:
UNRECOGNIZED VARIETIES (*Not eligible
for Best of Breed*)

DIVISION 712 | MINI LOP
DIVISION 713 | MINI REX
DIVISION 714 | NETHERLAND DWARF
DIVISION 715 | POLISH
DIVISION 716 | ALL OTHER
LIGHTWEIGHT BREEDS

CLASSES (Submission Categories)

1. **Senior Buck** | 6 months of age & over
2. **Senior Doe** | 6 months of age & over
3. **Junior Buck** | Under 6 months of age
4. **Junior Doe** | Under 6 months of age

DIVISION 717 | MIXED BREEDS AND NEUTERED RABBITS

Entry Fee - \$5.00

Mixed breeds are not eligible for Best of Show or Best Reserve.

CLASSES (Submission Categories)

1. **Bucks**
2. **Does**

DIVISION 719 | FUR ANIMALS

Entry Fee - FREE

CLASSES (Submission Categories)

1. Normal - White
2. Normal - Colored
3. Lionhead
4. Rex
5. Satin
6. Wool

AWARDS | AMERICAN SYSTEM | RABBITS | DIVISIONS 700-719

Offered per Class at the Discretion of the Judges

FIRST PLACE	\$10 & RIBBON	FOURTH PLACE	RIBBON
SECOND PLACE	\$5 & RIBBON	FIFTH PLACE	RIBBON
THIRD PLACE	RIBBON		

SPECIAL AWARDS

BEST RABBIT OF SHOW	\$50 & ROSETTE
BEST RESERVE RABBIT OF SHOW	\$25 & ROSETTE
OUTSTANDING RABBIT EXHIBITOR	\$50 & ROSETTE

DIVISION 720 | MEAT PENS

Entry Fee - \$7.00

Entry Limit - 2 Meat Pens per Exhibitor

CLASSES (Submission Categories)

- 7. Meat Pen** | Trio of 3 Rabbits - Same Breed, 3.5 pounds (minimum) to 5.5 pounds (maximum) each, under 70 days of age.

SCORECARD | MEAT PENS (SPECIFICALLY)

MEAT TYPE	Type of Meat.	40%
CONDITION	Condition of the flesh.	30%
UNIFORMITY	Uniformity in body and weight.	20%
FUR	Fur condition and look.	10%
TOTAL:		100%

AWARDS | AMERICAN SYSTEM | MEAT PENS

Offered per Class at the Discretion of the Judges

FIRST PLACE	\$35 & RIBBON	FOURTH PLACE	RIBBON
SECOND PLACE	\$25 & RIBBON	FIFTH PLACE	RIBBON
THIRD PLACE	\$15 & RIBBON		

SPECIAL AWARDS | MEAT PENS

BEST MEAT PEN OF SHOW	ROSETTE
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DIVISION 721 | RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP

Entry Fee - FREE

Entries must follow these guidelines:

- Please include Showmanship on your Entry form/registration.
- Rabbits used for Showmanship must be exhibited July 2 through July 6.
- Exhibitors must have their Showmanship Rabbit entered in a Breed Class or Fur Class in order to compete.
- Exhibitor age as of June 1, 2024.

CLASSES (Submission Categories)

1. **Novice*** Showmanship | Any age
2. **Primary** Showmanship | Ages 5 - 8
3. **Junior** Showmanship | Ages 9 -12
4. **Senior** Showmanship | Ages 13 - 18

*A Novice is an Exhibitor who has never competed in a Rabbit Showmanship contest (regardless of age).

AWARDS | AMERICAN SYSTEM | RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP

Offered per Class at the Discretion of the Judges

FIRST PLACE*	ROSETTE	FOURTH PLACE	RIBBON
SECOND PLACE*	RIBBON	FIFTH PLACE	RIBBON
THIRD PLACE	RIBBON		

Please Note - 1st and 2nd place winners from the Junior and Senior Showmanship Classes are invited to compete in the Round Robin Showmanship Contest on Saturday, July 5.

OUTSTANDING EXHIBITOR POINTS

Points are based on Placings in Breed Classes, Poultry Judging, and Showmanship.

AWARDS

POINTS

FIRST PLACE

5

SECOND PLACE

4

THIRD PLACE

3

BEST OF BREED (DIVISION)

4

BEST FUR

4

BEST OF SHOW

10

RESERVE BEST OF SHOW

8