



FAWE 2025 Rabbit Project

2025 FLORIDA AGRICULTURE & WILDLIFE EXPO



Entry Form Due Date: January 17, 2025 Entry fees are \$5.00 per rabbit

Expo Arrival Date: March 15, 2025 check in by club beginning 11:00 am

Show/Showmanship Date: Sunday, March 16, 2025 Open cages by 10:00 am

(No one will be permitted in cage area while RABBIT judging takes place)

Showmanship begins at approximately 11:00 am.

MANDATORY Clean up March 20, 2025 10:00 – 11:00 am (present for the entire hour)

Thank you letters for belt buckles: March 20, 2025 11:00 – 11:59 am

***NOTE: Once a RABBIT is accepted for entry on March 15, it must stay on show premises in the designated cages/area until clean-up on March 20.**

Penalties including fines of up to \$50 may be incurred for early removal.

This project is open to all Hernando County 4-H and FFA members in good standing.

Youth can show up to FOUR (4) rabbits total but must show all purebred or all crossbred. No youth can show in both divisions. Any combination of classes is permitted. There must be at least three entries in a single class to qualify for class and champion competitions.

Showmanship participation is optional. **Each youth must use their own rabbit for showmanship.** If a youth registers but does not have a viable rabbit in the show, they will not be permitted to participate in showmanship. **School/Club/Family entries may select one member for each age division up to two total to participate in showmanship.** Showmanship participation information will be collected in advance and only those pre-registered will be permitted.

Rabbits will be inspected at check in and may be denied entry for parasites or illness. The inspector and FAWE officials can opt to treat an animal on premises and then re-examine and determine if appropriate to accept for show. No rabbits may be bred while at the fair and nursing rabbits are not permitted.

During Check-in, no equipment/tack/supplies will be unloaded until after the final rabbit/poultry is checked in. All equipment, feed, etc. must be kept in their designated areas for the duration of the FAWE. Clubs/Chapters are permitted one trailer on site for storage. Sharing is permitted. Additional trailers may be granted to clubs with large numbers of exhibitors. Equipment, including feed, will NOT be stored in the barn/tent area. Those without club livestock trailers are encouraged to coordinate with one that does. Check with committee members for assistance with this.

All care, feeding, cleaning, and general responsibilities for the project are the responsibility of the member who may receive assistance from FFA Advisor, 4-H leader, parent/guardian, or fellow exhibitor. Feeding & watering must be done at least TWICE per day and must be completed by 10:00 a.m. and then 9:00 p.m. or one hour after a show/sale. There will be no feeding or watering of animals during any livestock show. There will be sign-in sheets, and these will be monitored. Youth may be fined up to \$5/day for noncompliance. Exhibitors are REQUIRED to bring a sturdy feeder and water containers. Milk jugs are an inexpensive option.

Clean-up is mandatory for all rabbit exhibitors. They must arrive no later than 10:00 am, check-in with appropriate FAWE personnel, and stay until 11:00 am. Failure to attend and/or work as assigned will result in consequences that may include fines of all premiums up to \$50 and the balance if less than \$50. If fines are unpaid, exhibitors will forfeit their right to show in any species' division until paid in full.

Any livestock exhibitor earning a belt buckle must submit a thank you letter. Rabbit exhibitor letters are due March 20, 2025, between 11:00 and 11:59 am at the FAWE Livestock Table.

*Letters MUST be handwritten in pen by the exhibitor. CLOVERBUD exhibitors may write notes in pencil! Place letter in STAMPED, UNSEALED envelope. All letters must have a greeting/salutation, body paragraph (age appropriate), & a closing. Exhibitors must sign each letter. **REMINDER:** Exhibitors will be charged \$50 per letter not received or deemed inappropriate for any add on or belt buckle sponsor. Youth are encouraged to turn letters in early so they can be reviewed and replaced if necessary.

Exhibitors agree and consent to the use of pictures, including but not limited to photographs and video of you and/or your animal in any or all publications, TV, publicity brochure, internet site, or other medium related to FAWE. Should you have privacy issues, please notify a member of the FAWE board or livestock committee in writing.

Any questions or protest concerning compliance with the rules and regulations or the eligibility of an exhibitor or their animal must be submitted in writing to the Rabbit Show Chairman within 24 hours after the discovery of the infraction along with a \$100 fee. The FAWE Committee and/or Management may investigate possible infractions of rules at any time. If your protest is upheld, your fee will be returned. If your protest is unfounded, your fee is forfeited to FAWE.

Unbecoming conduct by anyone will not be tolerated and may result in disqualification! See General Rules for detailed explanations and consequences.

In addition to all rules listed here, exhibitors are agreeing to the General Rules provided as a separate document.

Class changes for JUNIOR classes ONLY will be permitted if gender is misidentified at registration.

USE THIS CLASS LIST TO COMPLETE YOUR ENTRY FORM:

<u>Class 801 Purebred Junior Doe (3-6 months)</u>	<u>Class 901 Crossbred Junior Doe</u>
<u>Class 802 Purebred Junior Buck (3-6 months)</u>	<u>Class 902 Crossbred Junior Buck</u>
<u>Class 803 Purebred Senior Doe (6 months +)</u>	<u>Class 903 Crossbred Senior Doe</u>
<u>Class 804 Purebred Senior Buck (6 months +)</u>	<u>Class 904 Crossbred Senior Buck</u>

REMEMBER:

Up to FOUR (4) rabbits per exhibitor but they must all be in one division, purebred or crossbred.

DO NOT fill in FAWE Tag# box – that is office use only

OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM ON NEXT PAGE. UP TO FOUR (4) RABBITS PER EXHIBITOR. PLEASE BE AS SPECIFIC AS POSSIBLE ON THE ENTRY DESCRIPTIONS.

FAWE USE ONLY

Received Date: _____
Time Received: _____
Received by: _____
Payment Amt.: _____

FAWE 2025 Rabbit

Rabbit Registration Form

Entry Fee: \$5 per rabbit up to 4 total

T-shirt: Circle Size

Youth: Sm, Md, Lg
Adult: Sm, Md, Lg,
X-Lg, 2X-Lg, 3X-Lg

Exhibitor Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Exhibitor Address: _____

City: _____ **Zip:** _____ **Email** _____

Birthdate: _____ / _____ / _____ **Age (as of 9/1/24):** _____

Parent/Guardian(s): _____

Phone #: _____ **Alternate #:** _____

Club/Chapter Name: _____

FFA members require one signature; 4-H members require two signatures:

FFA Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

or

4-H Club Leader Signature: _____ Date: _____

and

4-H Extension Agent Signature: _____ Date: _____

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE COMPLETE KNOWLEDGE OF THIS ENTRY, AND THAT I AUTHORIZE MY CHILD TO ENTER RABBIT IN THE FAWE LIVESTOCK SHOW. WE BOTH HAVE READ, ACKNOWLEDGE, AND WE AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL RULES & REGULATIONS including General..

Exhibitor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Exhibitors may turn entry form and payment into Dr. Moores, Ms. Nelson, or Ms. Wilson. If you choose, you may Mail Entry Form/Fee to: FAWE - P.O. Box 12025 - Brooksville, FL 34603
(Must be turned in or postmarked NO LATER THAN 4:00 pm January 17, 2025).

FAWE Tag #	Class#	Breed	Variety/Color	Size (i.e., Dwarf, Standard)