

MARKET POULTRY DIVISION

1. All entries in this division will be subject to the general rules and regulations and the Junior Livestock Auction rules.

2. Entry fee is \$10.00

3. All poultry projects will be purchased through the Fair Association. All birds will be wing banded prior to pick up with the exhibitor responsible for pick up on or before validation date. Validation is when birds are picked up and wing band numbers are recorded by exhibitor and member of Poultry Committee. Pick Up/Validation will be at the fairgrounds. Exhibitors who order poultry and DO NOT validate them will not be reimbursed.

4. All poultry must be owned, placed on feed and in the exhibitor's or their immediate family's possession by validation dates.

5. Exhibitors will not be charged validation fees for validating up to triple the project minimum. Exhibitors may validate additional market poultry at a cost of \$5.00 per project minimum or portion thereof. Validation fees must be paid at validation.

6. Exhibitors may show up to three (3) Poultry entries. Minimum projects consist of five (5) turkeys per exhibitor, 15 chicks per exhibitor to show both broilers (PULLETS ONLY) and roasters.

7. There will be four divisions of poultry as follows:

Division 1	Turkeys - Hens only.	Possession & Validation Date	2 nd Wednesday of June from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., unless notified by superintendent
Division 2	Turkeys – Toms only	Possession & Validation Date	2 nd Wednesday of June from 10:00a.m. – 12:00 p.m., unless notified but superintendent
Division 3	Roasters – Males only, with a minimum weight of 5 pounds per bird.	Possession & Validation Date	1 st Tuesday of September from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., unless notified by superintendent
Division 4	Broilers - 1 pen of 3 broilers (pullets only) with a minimum weight of 12 pounds.	Possession & Validation Date	1 st Tuesday of September from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., unless notified by superintendent

8. Each division in poultry (turkey hens, turkey toms, roasters & broilers (PULLETS ONLY)) will be awarded a Grand Champion and a Reserve Grand Champion. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of each division will go through the auction as Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of their division.

9. All exhibitors must provide their own equipment for feeding and watering their birds during the show. Each exhibitor will be required to bring two 1-pound coffee cans or two large vegetable cans approximately 28 ounces. Turkey exhibitors will need largest containers (3-pound coffee cans or 3-gallon buckets). Non-spill commercial feeders that attach securely to the side of the pens will be allowed. STYROFOAM CUPS AND SHALLOW DISHES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN PENS. Poultry **MUST** have feed and water at all times. Pens will be checked 4 times a day; at **8:00 a.m., 12 noon, 4:00 p.m., and 8:00 p.m.** for feed and water. If birds are not fed and watered, the poultry division superintendent will feed and water them, at a charge to the exhibitor of \$25.00 per violation. Pens **WILL** be kept clean at all times. Violations of this (Rule #25, page 12 of the Rule Book) will result in monies being withheld from fair checks as stated. Violations will be at the superintendent's discretion.

10. The judge will place the entries on the quality of live birds. Ribbons will be awarded through ten places.

11. Sifting of live birds – The Poultry Judge will sift and judge the poultry show. They will examine all birds to determine live market value. During sift and/or show, entries showing symptoms of sickness, disease, or external parasites will be excluded at the discretion of the judge. (Breast blisters to the degree that is determined objectionable by the judge as well as bruising/broken bones).

12. All poultry will be sifted and weighed at sifting judge's discretion between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 24, 2023. After weigh and sift no substitution will be allowed for injured or deceased poultry.

13. Poultry showmanship will consist of two separate categories with broilers and roasters making chicken showmanship, turkey hens and turkey toms making turkey showmanship.