

2012 CITRUS COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION YOUTH & OPEN RABBIT SHOW RULES & REGULATIONS

- A.** To register Youth rabbit exhibits for the Citrus County Fair, Exhibitors must attend the **Mandatory Educational Meeting** on Sunday, December 4, 2011 at 2:00 pm at the Main Gate Bldg. Open Rabbit exhibitors are encouraged to attend the meeting, but not required.

B. Exhibitors and rabbit must be brought to the Citrus County Fairgrounds for a Mandatory Registration on Sunday, February 5, 2012 at 2:00 pm at the Livestock Complex for a rabbit health check and identification. **ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE.** No entries will be accepted at the fair office

FEES:

There will be a \$3.00 non-refundable entry fee per rabbit due at registration. **This applies to the Open Rabbit Show only.** All Open and Youth Rabbits **must** be tattooed by the Registration date. We no longer offer this service at registration.

C. There will be no advertising or “For Sale” signs for animal at the educational meeting, registration or during the Fair.

D. Exhibitors must own their animal and all animals must be **3 months of age** by the Registration date.

- Exhibitors cannot compete against themselves only one animal per class / per breed with a total of four rabbit’s combination between Open and Youth.
- The Livestock Committee will present one educational meeting on the entry day. This meeting must be attended by every Exhibitor to enter the swine show. The Exhibitor and a Parent or Guardian, 4-H Leader, Agriculture Teacher or responsible Adult **WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND TOGETHER**, in order to show. Exhibitor and Parent/ Guardian, 4-H Leader, Agriculture Teacher or responsible Adult must sign in to receive credit for attending. Additional educational meetings may be presented during the project period (March through February) and are optional.
- Proof of project work in 4-H or FFA will be required. Project work is completed your record book. **IF ENTERING MORE THAN ONE RABBIT, THEN EACH RABBIT WILL NEED TO HAVE AN INFORMATION PAGE INCLUDED IN THE RECORD BOOK.** Adults and other Youths will show in the Open division.

NO SICK OR DISEASED ANIMALS WILL BE ALLOWED. They will be checked for ear mites. All animals will be inspected. **The Open and Youth show will only accept ARBA recognized breeds.**

- All rabbits must be delivered to the Fairgrounds on Sunday, March 25, 2012 between the hours of 3:00 P.M. and 5:00 P.M. - Show schedule subject to change; you will be notified of any changes. All exhibitors must bring in a labeled waterproof container enough feed for the duration of the animals stay at the fair.

Exhibitors must be present for showing, to assist in handling their animals if asked by the judge. Check General Rules 5A and/or 5B for the appropriate dress code for your project

- Rabbits may not be bred while at the Fair. Expecting doe will not be allowed in the show.
- The show superintendent, due to limited space available, may enforce limitation of entries.

10. Any person winning a trophy/plaque is required to write a "THANK YOU" Letter to the sponsor. Thank you letters must be given to show superintendent, prior to picking up your animals on Wednesday night, March 28, 2012 to receive your premium money. All money will be withheld until all Thank You letters are written. Should deadline be missed premium money up to \$25.00 will be forfeited.(There is a sponsor address label on the bottom of the trophy.)
11. Normal release time is Wednesday, March 28, 2012 between 10:00 P.M. and 11:00 P.M., subject to change. You will be notified of any changes. **ANIMALS WILL NOT BE RELEASED BEFORE THIS TIME. WE WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ANIMAL LEFT AFTER THIS TIME.** Other arrangements must be made in advance and approved by the show superintendent.
12. **PREMIUMS AND AWARDS:**
BLUE RIBBON \$5.00 RED RIBBON \$3.00 WHITE RIBBON \$1.00

TROPHIES

GRAND CHAMPION

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION

CLASS WINNER - **Trophy will not be given out if animal isn't awarded a blue ribbon**

RECORD BOOKS 4-H (JR., INT. & SR.) & FFA (JR. & SR.)

SHOWMANSHIP- Open and Youth Exhibitors

PERSONS WISHING TO COMPETE IN THE SHOWMANSHIP CLASS MUST DESIGNATE SO AT TIME OF REGISTRATION AND PAY A NON-REFUNDABLE FEE OF \$5.00

PARTICIPATION IS OPTIONAL.

Payout for Showmanship will be a percentage of Entry Fees Collected.

1 St	25% OF THE ENTRY FEES	4 TH	15% OF THE ENTRY FEES
2 ND	20% OF THE ENTRY FEES	5 TH	12 1/2% OF THE ENTRY FEES
3 RD	17 1/2% OF THE ENTRY FEES	6 TH	10% OF THE ENTRY FEES

RIBBONS WILL BE AWARDED FOR PLACES 1ST THROUGH 6TH

13. NEW Barn Set-up is Saturday, March 24, 2012 at 9 am **OR** you must attend Barn Clean-up which is Saturday, April 14, 2012 at 9 am. Anyone unable to attend must contact the Livestock Committee Chairman, in writing, prior to set up or clean up. Failure to attend and participate in Barn Set-up **OR** Barn Clean-up will result in a \$150.00 fine to be put into the Dr. Dumas Scholarship fund. If you do not attend Barn Set-up **OR** Barn Clean-up you will not be allowed to show in the Open or Youth Rabbit Show the following year.

14. NEW All Youth exhibitors are required to participate in the Mandatory Rabbit Skill-a-thon.

EXHIBITOR: FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS BE SURE TO READ THE LIVESTOCK ADDENDUM, IAFE NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS, GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS AND LIVESTOCK SCHEDULE AS THEY PERTAIN TO ALL LIVESTOCK SHOWS.