# 2010 Nebraska State Fair

# Department G – Poultry Division

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Appropriate ribbons will be awarded to exhibitors of the Grand Champion and the Reserve Champion Fowls in Overall Large Fowl, Large Fowl Classes (American, Asiatic, English, Mediterranean, Continental and All Other Standard Breeds), Overall Bantam, Bantam Classes (Game, Single Comb Clean Legged, Rose Comb Clean Legged, All Other Combs Clean Legged, and Feather Legged), and Best of Show.

POULTRY SHOW RULES

A. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS-Health certificate not required for poultry. No additional testing requirements for Nebraska origin poultry.
B. QUALITY ASSURANCE CERTIFICATION: It is required that all exhibitors receive Quality Assurance training or testing through a UNL Extension program prior to the fair.
C. ARRIVAL DEADLINE-See master schedule for dates and times http://4h.unl.edu/programs/statefair/fairbook.htm. You may need to carry your poultry.
D. CHECK-IN – See master schedule for dates and times.
E. NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR-A 4-H member is limited to exhibiting 5 entries plus showmanship(egg production birds is considered one entry.)
F. BREEDS-To be eligible for breed exhibition, cockerel, pullet, cock or hen chicken entries must be fair representatives of one of the breeds listed in the American Standard of Perfection.
G. MINIMUM WEIGHTS-The minimum weights for exhibition birds will be as stated in The American Standard of Perfection and the Bantam Standard.
H. TRIO-A pen of egg production birds can be hybrids, crossbred or purebred and shall consist of 3 sexually mature females. Egg production females will be judged for production qualities only and need not necessarily conform to breed standards.
I. RULES FOR BANTAM & OTHER POULTRY-The rules for standard size chickens apply equally to bantams, waterfowl and turkey where applicable.
J. ENTRIES MUST BE 4-H PROJECT BIRDS-All poultry exhibited must be grown in a 4-H member's project.
K. CRITIQUE JUDGING OF POULTRY EXHIBITS WILL BE AT THE SAME TIME AS SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING WITH TWO JUDGES. Each 4-H'er should be present at the exhibit area at that time. If participant or a substitute showman approved by superintendent is not present, animals will not be judged. The length of time required for showmanship judging will depend entirely on the number of entries.
L. RELEASE FROM SHOW- See master schedule for dates and times http://4h.unl.edu/programs/statefair/fairbook.htm.Poultry will be cared for during the time that they are present in their pens (feed is provided). Poultry removed early will forfeit awards.
M. DRESS CODE-Will be as required in Section S of General Livestock Rules.

POULTRY CLASSES

POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST RULES

A. Any 4-H'er with a bird may enter the competition. Previous gold winners in a class are ineligible to compete in the same class.
B. The participant may use any bird they choose, so long as it was raised and trained by the 4-H'er. Showmanship class must be entered with advance entry. Birds not entered in the poultry exhibit MUST be brought to and removed from the fairgrounds on the same day as the contest.
C. Basis for judging-showmanship is based on grooming and training of the bird and the appearance and behavior of the exhibitor. The exhibitor must vocally explain the steps in their routine and the merit of the bird. Primarily showmanship is the skill of the exhibitor in presenting and explaining the bird before the judge. The excellence of the bird is not considered in scoring.
D. There will be a four minute time limit to complete the showmanship presentation. Exhibitors will be timed.
E. The judges may or may not ask questions of the exhibitor at the close of the routine.

F. Two judges will be used for showmanship. Each judge will select their top 5 showmen. Then the top 5 showmen from each judge (10 youth in total) will then present their showmanship presentation to both showmanship judges at the conclusion of the poultry critique show. From the top 10 individuals the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd placed showmen will be selected.
G. Maximum length of showmanship presentations is four minutes. Exhibitors will be timed.

Information on the basis of judging poultry showmanship is found in Nebraska Cooperative Extension 4-H 191.

## Division 70, POULTRY BREED ENTRY

G-070-001 -Showmanship
G-070-002 -Large Fowl (American, Asiatic, English, Mediterranean, Continental, other Standard Breeds)
G-070-003 -Bantam Chickens (Game Class, Single Comb Clean Legged, Rose Comb Clean Legged, All Other Comb Clean Legged, Feather Legged Class, Other Standard Breeds)
G-070-004 - Ducks (Heavy Weight, Medium Weight, Light Weight)
G-070-005 - Bantam Ducks
G-070-006 - Goose
G-070-007 - Turkeys
G-070-0010 - Production Trios