

Poultry

- Buckles for Best of Show and Reserve Best of Show
- Ribbons 1st through 6th place in respective class at the Judge's discretion

1. The Livestock Committee and Superintendent have the authority to disqualify any exhibitor for violations of the rules.
2. All exhibitors must provide feed and water cans for their birds and wire them in place. The feeding and watering must be completed by the exhibitor throughout the fair week. **Cages must be cleaned as needed, throughout the week. Failure to care for your exhibit may disqualify you from awards and auction proceeds.**
3. **Any fowl that shows signs of disease, infection or parasites will not be accepted, And/or will be released if any issues arise during fair week.**
4. No entries will be accepted that are not banded (no exceptions). Bands can be acquired-in the poultry barn.
5. All fowl must be owned and cared for by exhibitors for no less than 90 days prior to the opening of the Valencia County Fair.
6. The VFMC will not be responsible for loss by fire or otherwise.
7. All eggs become the property of the fair and will be destroyed.
8. All fowls shall be entered as one of the following:
 - Cock/Hen (over 1 year of age)
 - Cockerel/Pullet (under 1 year of age)
 - Pair-1 cock, 1 hen
 - Old Trio- 1 cock, 2 hens over 1 year
 - Young Trio-1 cockerel, 2 pullets under 1 year
 - Old or Young Duck
 - Old or Young Drake
 - Turkey (Tom or Hen)
9. **3 entries will be allowed per class. Any one bird may not be entered in more than one class. All entries must be checked-in with the Superintendent or Assistant. Once checked-in no poultry entries can be removed from the fair until a release is obtained from the Superintendent. Due to lack of space, poultry show will be a one-day show -all animals EXCEPT GRAND AND RESERVE OR SALE MEAT PEN WINNERS - are required to take their animals home same day.**
10. **The superintendents may, at his/her discretion, declare new classes in the division and establish those classes in the breed or hybrid class (if quality merits another class). Reclassification will be permitted at check-in.**
11. **Any breed or variety recognized by the American Bantam Association and the American Poultry Association is eligible to be shown even if that class is not listed.**
12. **No exhibit unworthy of an award shall receive one, even though there is no competition, nor shall any exhibit receive an award greater than its merits justify.**

Junior Poultry Meat Pen

- Buckles for Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Meat Pen
 - Ribbons 1st through 6th place in respective class at the Judge's discretion
1. The Livestock Committee and Superintendent have the authority to disqualify any exhibitor for violations of the rules.
 2. Exhibitors must bring entries through the Livestock gate (West of main gate across from Wal-Mart). Animals will not be allowed to come through the East gate. See schedule for check in time.
 3. Only the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Poultry Meat Pen will be considered for the sale.
 4. All exhibitors must provide feed and water cans for their birds and wire them in place. The feeding and watering must be completed by the exhibitor throughout the fair week.
 5. Classes may be added, dropped or combined by the livestock committee, with the Poultry Superintendent. The Superintendent will form breed classes. If there are 3 entries in any breed. Other breeds in each division will be judges in a class titled "Other Breeds".
 6. A meat pen consists of 3 birds. Each bird must weigh from 4-6 lbs. each. The total weight of the pen is 12- 18 lbs.
 7. Entry Fees for meat pen is \$10.00 per pen.
 8. A maximum of 3 pens per exhibitor is allowed.
 9. Pen will be weighed at check in.
 10. Please check poultry/ rabbit barn for any notices, dates, and times.
 11. Sale slots are based on the number of entries.

2026 Turkeys

ADDENDUM- Market Tom AND Hens will be allowed in Market class... see rules below!

This is a trial year for the turkey show – WE WILL OFFER ONE SALE SLOT IF MARKET ENTRIES ARE ABOVE 10.

1. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to feed and care for his animal until the animal is released.
2. No other entries will be sold at the fair. Exhibitors may make only one (1) entry in the Market Turkey Class.
3. All market turkeys must be owned by the exhibitor by April 1 and must be a part of his/her individual project.
4. Market Turkeys must be banded for identification.
5. There is no weight limit. Exhibitors are responsible for providing crates for the Market Turkeys.
6. Handling of birds by anyone (other than the exhibitor) after they are penned is strictly prohibited, except with the permission of the Poultry Management.

7. Market Turkeys will show in order determined by the Poultry Management. The show order will be posted after check-in. There will be a tom and hen class offered if entries are above 5 of each; if not, classes will be combined.
8. On judging day all Junior Exhibitors must be present to bring their birds to the judging area.
9. All turkeys entered must be cane trained to be judged.

10. How turkeys are judged is at the discretion of poultry judge.
11. There will not be a separate showmanship class for turkey entries.