

SECTION 14: PROJECT REQUIREMENTS - Poultry

Junior Fair Entries are due by August 1st and are required via "Blue Ribbon Fair Online" for **ALL ANIMALS** to exhibit at the Fulton County Fair. The web portal will be open for registration from July 1, 2022 at 12:00am – August 1, 2022 at 11:59pm (EST). **LATE ENTRIES ONLY ACCEPTED UNTIL AUGUST 5th BY 4:30PM AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE WITH A \$20 LATE FEE.** The online link and instructions will be under the "Junior Fair Entries" section of our website at <https://fulton.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/junior-fair-forms>. These instructions will assist you in completing your online entry. **Please read and follow the instructions before starting your online entry.**

- 1) **All "Pen of Three" broilers poultry may be purchased through an Ohio hatchery to be considered for Grand or Reserve Champions. All poultry should be ordered in June and purchased from chicks hatched in July. Purchase enough birds to select a pen of 3 matched size birds of same gender.**
- 2) **PEN OF THREE POULTRY:** You must show NPIP proof at weigh-in to weigh master from delivery of birds. All other birds NOT from NPIP hatcheries will show for a grade, may participate in showmanship, and may sell. They will NOT be eligible for Grand or Reserve Champions.
- 3) **Turkey toms and hens should be pre-ordered before purchasing (early April) and should be shipped the week of April 24 to observe the rule that turkey toms and hens should be 18 weeks old at Fair time. Market turkey weight recommendation is 25-50 pounds.**
- 4) All Junior Fair exhibitors taking animals to the fair must attend a Quality Assurance Animal Class. For all market animals, exhibitors must have submitted an electronic Drug Use Notification Form by required deadline prior to arriving at vet check-in on the Fairgrounds Gate F.
- 5) All interview judging for livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring project book to interview judging.
- 6) Fancy poultry will bring three birds to the fair: 1 male and 2 female in full feathers.
- 7) **ALL CHICKEN EXHIBITORS:** If you have other poultry on the farm that did not come from an NPIP hatchery and you plan to exhibit any of those birds at the Fulton County Fair, you **must have the poultry you plan to exhibit Pullorum tested** (this test costs approx. \$2 per bird). See the calendar for the test date.
- 8) **FOR TURKEY EXHIBITORS:** If you bring turkeys onto property with poultry already present, you must have a negative results blood test within 90 days of fair. Call your vet for the blood test.
- 9) It is highly recommended youth exhibit in only one showmanship class, displaying their strongest skill set with chickens or all other poultry (turkeys and ducks). Youth are only allowed to show their own animal in showmanship classes.

CHICKEN, EGG PRODUCTION: HENS & PULLETS 150CEP

Guidelines: Purchase and care for at least ten pullets. Complete project book and keep feed and financial records. Book suggests March order for April flock. **For the fair, we suggest ordering chicks in Feb. for a flock so they will be in egg production by fair.**
Judging Requirements: Show a "Pen of Three" pullets at the fair. All interview judging or livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging.

CHICKEN, MARKET (PEN OF 3) 150CM

Guidelines: Keep feed and financial records.
See #1 above for specifics on ordering and purchasing "Pen of Three" broilers.
Judging Requirements: Show "Pen of Three" broilers at the fair. Three females or three males. All interview judging or livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging.

- ✓ Chicks should be ordered in June.
- ✓ Baby chicks should be hatched and purchased weeks of July 17.
- ✓ **All chicks must come from Pullorum-Typhoid free hatcheries in OHIO with proof of purchase.**
- ✓ The total weight of the three birds is a maximum of 21 pounds for the pen of three **This is a mandatory maximum weight.** Suggested age to achieve proper weight is 6-8 weeks at Fair.
- ✓ Each member is required to **exhibit a "Pen of Three" (3 cockerels or 3 hens)** at the fair.

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CHICKEN, EXHIBITION (FANCY) 150CE

Guidelines: Purchase and raise each year, at least 3 (1 male & 2 female) of fancy poultry. Complete project book and keep feed and financial records.

Judging Requirements: Bring three fancy chickens to the fair. You must have one male and two females. Birds must come from a NPIP hatchery. All interview judging for livestock projects will be done within the local club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging. Birds need to be in full feathers for exhibit at the fair. Check growth chart for your desired breed and count backwards from September fair date.

TURKEY, MARKET 150TM

Guidelines: Hatch or purchase at least five one day-old poults. Rear and feed the birds. **Baby turkey poults should be purchased in early April and shipped early May (see 4-H Calendar for specific dates).**

Judging Requirements: Start with one animal. Learn to feed, care, and manage your turkey. Complete the Project Guidelines on pages 2-4 in the project book. Turkeys must be purchased from an Ohio NPIP Hatchery. If you bring turkeys onto property with poultry already present, you must have a negative results blood test within 90 days of fair. Call your vet for the blood test. All interview judging or livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging.

DUCK, EXHIBITION (FANCY) 150DE

Guidelines: Raise at least five ducks to maturity. Complete the 4-H book. If you have a meat breed, you should slaughter mature ducks (7-8 wks of age) for home consumption, because market ducks are not sold at the fair. **Ducks must be in possession of member by June 1.**

Judging Requirements: Exhibit two breeding ducks (1 male and 1 female) at the Fulton County Poultry Show. All interview judging or livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging. No Pullorum Test required.

GOOSE, EXHIBITION (FANCY) 150GE

Guidelines: Raise at least five geese to maturity. Complete the 4-H book.

Slaughter mature market geese (10-13 wks of age) for home consumption, as they are not sold at the fair. **Geese must be in possession of member by June 1.**

Judging Requirements: All interview judging or livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging. No Pullorum Test required. **There are no Geese Junior Fair or Open Class show options at the Fulton County Fair.**

NOTE: Exhibitors may want to consider entering poultry in the Fulton County Fair open class poultry show. Do this by using the fair entry form on the last page of the fair book and submitting your entry with associated entry fees by the deadline mid August. Commercial birds in open class show by weight.