

Exhibitor: _____

Level: Junior Intermediate Senior

FSF RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP

Rabbit showmanship is quite different from that of other animal species. Rabbit showmanship involves thoroughly examining an animal as a judge would do in competition. Each step that a youth forgets to complete is counted against their overall score. Appearance of the exhibitor and their knowledge are two other areas important in this competition.

ATTIRE:

Required Dress Code: For showmanship and show all exhibitors will be required to be clean and neat and dressed in white, green, blue or black jeans/slacks, or tan Khaki slacks with a solid white shirt with a white collar. FFA or 4-H accessories are strongly recommended. No caps or hats. Closed-toed shoes or boots are required.

The following is a list of actions exhibitors must perform in the showmanship class:

- Appearance and Actions of Showman 10 points
- a. Clean, neat, official 4H/FFA dress 4 3 2 0
 - b. Natural, graceful actions 2 1 0
 - c. Good eye contact 2 1 0
 - d. Confidence 2 1 0
- Total Points Awarded _____
- Appearance of Animal 5 points
- a. Clean condition and healthy 3 2 1 0
 - b. Free from major defects and deformities 2 1 0
- Total Points Awarded _____
- Examination of Rabbit
- a. With the rabbit in sitting position 10 points
 - 1. Check ears for mites, tattoo, and tears 3 2 1 0
 - 2. Examine fur for fur mites 2 1 0
 - 3. Run hands over body & check for blemishes 2 1 0
 - 4. Examine the fur quality and color 3 2 1 0Total Points Awarded _____
 - b. With the rabbit on its back..... 35 points
 - 1. Properly and safely flip the rabbit over 3 2 1 0
 - 2. Check the eyes for blindness, white spots, proper color and diseases 4 3 2 1 0
 - 3. Check the nose for snuffles 2 1 0
 - 4. Check teeth for broken, missing, malocclusion or simple malocclusion 4 3 2 1 0
 - 5. Check the front 5 toes and toenails for broken, missing or mis-colored 4 3 2 1 0
 - 6. Check the front legs for straightness and signs of broken bones 3 2 1 0
 - 7. Check the back 4 toes and toenails for broken, missing or mis-colored 4 3 2 1 0
 - 8. Check back legs for signs of broken bones 3 2 1 0
 - 9. Check the vent area for disease & sex (examine bucks for missing testicles) 3 2 1 0
 - 10. Check tail for straightness and signs of broken bone 3 2 1 0
 - 11. Run hand down entire abdomen looking for blemishes 2 1 0Total Points Awarded _____
 - c. Completing the examination..... 10 points
 - 1. Properly post the rabbit for its specific breed 4 3 2 1 0
 - 2. Smooth down the fur 3 2 1 0
 - 3. Make sure the tail is carried properly 3 2 1 0Total Points Awarded _____
- Knowledge of Animal/Project (written test)..... 30 points
- a. Answer general knowledge questions
 - b. Answer breed specific questions
- Total Points Awarded _____
- 1. _____
 - 2. _____
 - 3. _____
 - 4. _____
 - 5. _____

TOTAL POINTS.....100 POINTS

Total Points Awarded _____