

2018 Youth Poultry Show

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Entry Forms due August 15

Judge: Mr. Doug Cauthorn, Ashland, VA

2018 Official Schedule

Check-in:	Thursday Sept. 27, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. and Friday, Sept. 28, 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
All Poultry in Place:	Friday, Sept. 28, 10:00 a.m.
Judging:	Saturday, September 29, 10:00 a.m.
Release:	Sunday, October 7, 6:00 p.m.

Youth Poultry Department Rules:

1. **All State Fair General Rules, Livestock Rules, Youth Poultry Rules and the Show Ring Code of Ethics apply to this department. When special rules of the Youth Poultry Department conflict, the Youth Department rules will prevail. By submitting an entry form, you agree to read and abide by these and all State Fair rules that apply.**
2. Exhibitors must be at least 6 years of age by September 30 of the current year and must not have had their 19th birthday before January 1 of current year.
3. There is no fee to participate. **All entries to be made online: www.statefairva.org, under ‘State Fair’ and then ‘Competitions’, for assistance contact, State Fair of Virginia 804-994-2858**
4. All birds should be leg banded with individually numbered bands before arrival at the show, and leg band numbers must be listed on entry forms.
5. All birds must have been hatched or purchased by the exhibitor prior to June 1, of the current year; or fed and cared for under supervision of their vocational agriculture teacher or county extension agent from day old until judging.
6. All youth must be present for judging of their birds. **There will be no parents in aisles until after the judging is completed.** Poultry will be judged by A.P.A. or A.B.A standards.
7. After birds have been cooped in, they are not to be handled by anyone other than the owner, the Judge or the Superintendent.
8. Birds in the show must stay at the Fair until 6:00 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 7 or awards will be withheld. No vehicles will be allowed on the grounds until after 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 7.
9. **Entries will be limited by 150 bird cooping capacity.** Exhibitors must be the owners and/or breeders of the birds they exhibit. No exhibitor, family or firm may enter more than 2 birds in any class (2 cock, 2 hen, 2 cockerel and 2 pullets.)
10. **All Poultry entered in the State Fair of Virginia and/or sale birds must have originated from NPIP certified U.S. Pullorum /typhoid clean flocks OR have had a negative Pullorum/Typhoid test within 90 days of the exhibition.**
11. **Avian Influenza: All poultry entered in the State Fair of Virginia and/or sale birds, originating from within the State, will be tested for Avian Influenza at check-in by the State Vets Office with the use of a quick test for immediate results. All birds must be individually identified.**
12. Classes will be provided for Cock, Hen, Cockerel, or Pullet. Definition of Cock and Hen: chicken 12 months or older. Cockerel and Pullet: under 12 months old.
13. All birds are entered at the risk of the owner. The State Fair of Virginia will not be responsible for loss by fire, or other risk, but will exercise due vigilance. Sick stock will not be allowed to remain in the show room. Sick stock will be removed by the owner, if present, or by the Superintendent if the owner is not present. Superintendent must be notified if a bird is removed by owner.
14. The APA and ABA Standards of Perfection will be the guideline for judging and awards.
15. Exhibitors will be allowed to put their name or poultry farm name on coops containing their own birds *after* judging is complete. There cannot be any “For Sale” signs on coops. Only exhibitors that have birds entered in the show will be allowed to sell.
16. The State Fair will furnish all feed, water and coops for birds in show, but not for sale birds.
17. **All changes to entries must be made by Sept. 16, 2018.**

All APA and ABA recognized breeds are eligible for competition.

Awards

Awards will be paid on Cock, Hen, Cockerel and Pullet.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Large Poultry, Ducks, Geese, Guineas & Bantams	\$4.00	\$3.00	\$2.00	\$1.00

Banners will be awarded for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of Show.

The Poultry Department of the State Fair of Virginia is a classified competition. Its objectives are education and entertainment of State Fair visitors and to support improvement in breeding and the greater production of exhibition birds.

Passes – Each youth exhibitor will receive 3 season passes. If more than 1 child from the same family is showing then each child will receive a season pass and 2 passes will be provided for parents/guardians. Your passes will be available for you to pick up at check in.