

Cat Care

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State Fair Entry: Not eligible for State Fair

Animal Check In: Wednesday, July 2, 2025; 5:30PM, Shrine Building, Kosciusko County Fairgrounds

Judging: Wednesday, July 2, 2025; 6:00PM, Shrine Office, Kosciusko County Fairgrounds

1. All cats must have a Cat Enrollment Form and certification of vaccination record (4-H 777) due May 15th. (These may be obtained from the Extension Office or online at www.four-h.purdue.edu). You must present proof of annual vaccination and/or prior testing for feline leukemia. A negative leukemia test must be done within 180 days prior to the show. Leukemia vaccinations are required after testing. Those cats that have been tested (negative) in prior years must have been given annual leukemia vaccinations. No cat with a positive test will be allowed to be shown. ALL are required to have testing and vaccination and must be completed by May 15th-NO EXCEPTIONS!
2. All 4-H cats must have their nails clipped. (A safety factor for member and judge.)
3. Judging will include: general appearance, condition, nails and paws, temperament, hair coat, body build, and proper handling.
4. A 4-H cat will be disqualified if any of the following are found by the 4-H judge: a) knots in the hair; b) lice; c) ear mites; d) unhealthy or unthrifty general appearance; e) fleas
5. Cats may be shown with harness and leash, optional.
6. 4-H members may show in more than 1 class. Ribbons will be awarded for each cat and/or kitten shown. Placing will be on the Danish System-Blue, Red, White or Green.
7. All vaccinations must be given at least 2 weeks prior to show date.

Classes:

Kitten (4-8 months); Junior (8 months-3 years); Senior (3 years +)

1. Costume Class
2. Altered Male (junior & senior)
3. Altered Female (junior & senior)
4. Unaltered Male (junior & senior)
5. Unaltered Female (junior & senior)
6. Best Kitten (age 4-8 months at time of 4-H Show)
7. Best of Show
8. Beginner, Intermediate and Senior Showmanship. Based on questions and handling of cat.

The decision to include long and short-haired categories will depend upon the final number of 4-H cats exhibited.