

Poultry

(All Chickens, Pigeons, Waterfowl)

Manual: Grades 3-5 BU-06363 – Scratching the Surface
Grades 6-8 BU-06364 – Testing Your Wings
Grades 9-12 BU-06365 – Flocking Together

Record Sheets: (Complete and put in your Green Record Book)
Montgomery County Poultry Record
4-H 528 General Record Sheet for Poster Exhibit

Exhibit Options:

- One or more birds fed and cared for by member
- Display an educational poster about poultry.
- Science Display - Develop an idea and build it into an attractive display as well as learn the technical aspect of some part of the poultry industry. A 3-dimensional exhibit is preferred for poultry science projects. Poultry science displays must occupy a space no larger than 30" deep x 48" wide x 72" high.
- Interactive Demonstration

State Fair	Poultry Posters	One per level
Entries:	Poultry Science	One per level
Display:	Level 1 Junior	Grades 3, 4 or 5
	Level 2 Intermediate	Grades 6, 7, or 8
	Level 3 Senior	Grades 9 and up

Poultry health requirements:

SEE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPECIES.

1. All poultry presented for exhibition shall be accompanied by an official certificate of veterinary inspection or an appropriate National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) certificate.
2. All poultry (except for waterfowl) presented for exhibition must meet **ONE** of the following requirements:
 - a. Test negative for pullorum-typhoid within 90 days prior to the date of their exhibition.
 - b. Be hatched from eggs originating from certified NPIP pullorum typhoid clean parent flocks.
 - c. Originate from a flock where the entire flock is certified NPIP pullorum-typhoid clean.
 - d. **No poultry may be exhibited showing signs of an infectious or communicable disease.**
 - e. **No mite, lice or maggots.**
3. **No poultry may be exhibited showing excessive signs of external parasite infestation.**

For more information on poultry health requirements, call the Indiana State Board of Animal Health at (317)544-2400.

General Rules:

1. All birds must be enrolled on a county enrollment form by May 15.
2. The exhibitor must show all entries!
3. It is recommended that 4-H birds be hatched prior to April 15. Poultry, Waterfowl are to be owned by May 15.
4. In each 4-H Commercial Class, two (2) pullets or two (2) hens of the same breed, constitute one (1) entry. Classes are as follows: white egg shell pullet, white egg shell hen, brown egg shell pullet, brown egg shell hen.
5. In each Exhibition 4-H Chicken Class, 2 pullets or 2 cockerel, or 2 hens or 2 cock birds of RECOGNIZED STANDARD BREEDS, INCLUDING BANTAMS CONSTITUTES ONE ENTRY. These birds can be of different or the same breed. Birds may not be crossbred birds or they will be disqualified. If the bird cannot be found in the Poultry Standard of Perfection book they will not be able to be shown.
6. In each Waterfowl Class for both ducks and geese, one (1) male or one female constitutes one (1) entry. Classes are by breed and may only have two (2) entries per breed and only one (1) breed per class.
7. Each 4-H member may exhibit a MAXIMUM of 24 entries total.
 - a. A maximum of one (1) entry per each Commercial class and a maximum of two (2) entries per each Exhibition class.
 - b. A maximum of six (6) entries in the Waterfowl classes with no more than two (2) entries per class (i.e. Pekin Ducks, Rouen Ducks, Bantam Ducks, Other breeds of ducks, Embden Geese, Toulouse Geese, and other breeds of Geese.)
 - c. The only classes that will be offered at the county fair are those that are listed above.
 - d. All birds must be free of external parasites (mites & lice). Any bird with parasites will be sent home.
8. Dirty birds will be lowered one placing.
9. All entries must be on the pen assignments. No switching after the pen assignments are in. No changes will be made at the fair. The NPIP Clean Flock form MUST be turned in to the Extension Office with the pen assignments to be eligible to show.
10. No props may be used in show cages at the time of the show, ie. carpets, cardboard, food. Birds must be placed in cages as set up.

Chickens:

(All Chickens must be dry when entered at the Fair)

4-H Commercial Chicken Classes:

Description of Classes:

- **Pullets** - White egg shell class & brown egg shell class. Two birds shown as a pair of the same breed that are less than one (1) year the day of the show.
- **Hens** - White egg shell class & brown egg shell class. Two birds shown as a pair of the same breed that are more than one (1) year of age the day of the show.

4-H Exhibition Chicken Classes (chickens bred for Exhibition Purposes)

These birds will be judged according to the American Standard of Perfection authorized by the American Poultry Association.

Standard Breed and Bantams Breed Classes are as follows:

- Two (2) Pullets less than one (1) year of age day of show
- Two (2) Cockerels less than 1 (one) year of age day of show
- Two (2) Hens more than one (1) year of age day of show
- Two (2) Cocks more than one (1) year of age day of show

May show the same or different breed in the same class.

Waterfowl:

These birds will be judged according to the American Standard of Perfection.

Classes are as follows:

- **Young Male** - Under 1 year of age old
- **Male** - Over 1 year of age
- **Young Female** - Under 1 year of age old
- **Female** - Over 1 year of age

Maximum of two (2) entries per class and one breed in each class.

Pekin, Rouen, Bantam & All Other Breed of Ducks:

One Drake

One Hen

Embden, Toulouse, & All Other Breeds of Geese:

One Gander

One Goose

Meat Birds:

Broilers - 2 birds of the same sex, 6 - 8 weeks, and under 5 1/2 pounds on show day.

Roasters - 2 birds of the same sex, 8 - 12 weeks, and between 5 1/2 - 10 pounds on show day.

NO WET BIRDS ALLOWED