

Extension VANDERBURGH COUNTY

March 13, 2025

Dear 4-H Rabbit Exhibitor:

As you prepare your rabbit project, please read over this letter carefully to ensure that you're meeting all the requirements for the project. Also, be sure to read the Livestock section of the handbook for all terms and conditions. As always, if you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact superintendent, Lisa McEuen at 812-484-8516, or the Purdue Extension Office at (812) 867-4935.

### Animal Identification:

Enclosed you will find the rabbit ID form. This form is due to the Purdue Extension Office by May 15. Ensure that your animals have met the animal ID requirements listed below.

Rabbits Left Ear Tattoo

### Animals not enrolled by May 15 cannot be exhibited at the county or state fair.

### Tattooing:

The goal is to have the animal ID tattoo in the rabbit's ear by May 15; however, we understand that is not always possible due to the animal's age. A rabbit tattooing date will be scheduled for this summer if you need help with tattooing. If the animal is not able to be tattooed by May 15, please list the tattoo number you plan to use and include the specific breed color on the animal ID form. If you have questions about tattooing, please reach out to the superintendent.

### Lease Agreements:

If you are leasing your animal, 4-H members are required to submit a copy of their Animal Lease Agreement to the Purdue Extension Office by **May 15.** A sample lease agreement is available online <u>https://tinyurl.com/leaseagreementanimal</u> OR at the Purdue Extension Office.

### Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care Training:

To exhibit beef cattle, dairy cattle, dairy goats, meat goats, poultry, pygmy goats, rabbits, sheep, and swine, 4-H members must be certified through the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care training OR the online Youth for the Quality Care of Animals program (YQCA) by **July 1**. You can find details on trainings on the enclosed flyer.

#### **State Fair Information:**

Information about State Fair entries and the electronic entry forms can be found online at <u>http://www.indianastatefair.com/state-fair/competitionscontests/4-h-competitions/</u>. Be sure to carefully read the State Fair requirements to ensure that your animal meets the requirements and you understand the fee schedules.

Check out the back of this letter for an upcoming Rabbit Workshop. If you know of someone who is taking Rabbits for the first year, please let us know so we can send them this information.

Sincerely,

Megan Hoffherr 4-H Youth Development Extension Educator Enclosure: Rabbit Identification Form, QLC flyer Shared/4-H/Livestock/Poultry and Rabbit/Rabbit Letter 25



# DISCOVER THE FUN OF RABBITS!

One lucky participant will win a new rabbit pen!

## Saturday, April 26 1:00-3:00 pm 4-H Center Show Barn

Curious about rabbits or just want to grow in your project? Learn about rabbit breeds, care and handling of your rabbit, and showmanship. Bring your rabbit if you have one, or we will have some available for handling to give you experience. Rabbit tattooing will be available.

Purdue University is an Equal Opportunity/Equal Access University. If you are in need of accommodations to attend this program or need a translator or interpreter, please contact Megan Hoffherr at mkron@purdue.edu





### INDIANA 4-H QUALITY LIVESTOCK CARE

To exhibit **BEEF CATTLE, DAIRY CATTLE, SWINE, SHEEP, MEAT GOATS, DAIRY GOATS, PYGMY GOATS, POULTRY,** and **RABBITS**,

4-H members must be certified through the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care training **OR** the online Youth for the Quality Care of Animals program (YQCA) by July 1, 2025.

1. This certification must be done an annual basis

- 2. Members must be registered **BEFORE** attending a training
- 3. Members may attend any training dates listed on this flyer
  OR a training in another county
  OR complete the online YQCA training

**Training Dates** 

**Training Locations** 

To register for the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care program, please use <u>https://QLC25.4honline.com.</u> Cost for the program is \$3.

Those planning to be certified through the YQCA program, will register at <u>www.yqcaprogram.org</u> and will present their completion certificate to their 4-H Educator.



If you need to request special accommodations, please contact the Purdue Extension office at (812) 867-4935.

### Vanderburgh County RABBIT Identification Form DUE TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE BY MAY 15

4-H members' name:	Telephone			
Grade in School	Years in Project	Years in 4-H		
Animal Name	Tattoo			
(optional)	(mandatory)	(circle one)	(circle one)	(circle one)
Animal Name(optional)	Tattoo	Commercial Grade Fancy		Buck Doe
(optional)	(mandatory)	(circle one)	(circle one)	(circle one)
Animal Name(optional)	Tattoo	Commercial Grade Fancy		
(optional)	(mandatory)	(circle one)	(circle one)	(circle one)
Animal Name	Tattoo	Commercial Grade Fancy	- JR SR -	Buck Doe
(optional)	(mandatory)	(circle one)	(circle one)	(circle one)
Animal Name	Tattoo	Commercial Grade Fancy	- JR SR -	Buck Doe
(optional)	(mandatory)	(circle one)	(circle one)	(circle one)
Animal Name	Tattoo	Commercial Grade Fancy	- JR SR -	Buck Doe
(optional)	(mandatory)	(circle one)	(circle one)	(circle one)
Meat Pen or Pen of Three	Tattoo			
(circle one)	(mandatory)			

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4-H member and parent signatures certify that the animal's to be exhibited at the Vanderburgh County Fair are in the 4-H member's possession and under their care as a 4-H project. They have read the information in the 4-H Handbook and the information above is complete and accurate.

### 4-H Member

Signed	Date:		
Signed	Date:		
4-H member's Parent/Guardian			
VCF180r		Shared/4-H Livestock/Rabbit/Rabbit ID Form	revised 3/23