Pike County
2024 RABBIT Project Information

Requirements for Each Project

	MARKET RABBIT	BREEDING RABBIT
Limits	Rabbits can be bucks or does. Must be 56-72 days old on day of fair weigh-in. Can tattoo 2 rabbits but only exhibit and sell 1 market rabbits. *Sr. Fair Board Rule: Exhibitors can show and sell a maximum of any 2 market animals.	Exhibitors may take a buck, doe, and/or doe and litter as breeding projects. For a doe and litter project, the litter must not be less than 35 days old and not more than 56 days old by the first day of the fair each year. Breeding rabbits cannot be the same animal as market rabbit project.
Animal Requirements	Must weigh no less than 3 pounds 8 ounces and no more than 5 pounds 8 ounces at the fair weigh-in to be sold in premium sale at the fair.	Exhibitors may show max of 2 breeding rabbits per class and must be solely owned by exhibitor. Proof of pure breeds must be provided by July 1. All others will show in crossbred
Possession **Tattooing/ID Day**	Must be in possession by date of tattooing which will be held June 20 from 6 – 8 p.m. in the beef barn. All market rabbits tattooed by Sr. Fair	If rabbit has a tattoo, simply fill out an ID form and turn it in to the Extension Office by June 20. If rabbit DOES NOT have tattoo, you must bring it to tattoo
Quality Assurance (QA)	Quality Assurance and test out options will be offered several times during the program year. Must be completed by June 1, 2024.	QA is not required for breeding rabbit competition.
Project Book Interviews	Project book interviews will be held by appointment only on July 15, 16, 17, and 18. Scheduling information will be available June 20.	Completed project books must be reviewed by club advisor prior to county fair.
Skill-a-thons	All skill-a-thons will be held at the Extension office during project book interviews on July 15, 16, 17, and 18. Required to be eligible for "Outstanding Market Exhibitor"	
Health Requirements **DUNF**	DUNF online completion due at fair weigh-in. No health papers required, however, animal should show no evidence of disease. All state health rules must be followed.	No health papers required but animal should show no evidence of disease, and state health rules apply.

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Pike County Fair Week: What to Expect!

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Arrival Time	Sunday, 8 - 11 a.m. Clubs will have assigned arrival times.	Bring to fairgrounds the morning of the show. Check in with barn superintendent and 4-H educator.
Weigh-In / Check-In Date and Time	All market rabbits will weigh in at the A.E. Blaum Arena on Sunday from 8-11 a.m. DUNF due at this time. Only bring ONE rabbit onto fairgrounds.	
What to Bring	Bring cage/pen card, equipment, bedding, water and food.	
Exhibitor's Meeting	Youth will receive back tag/show number at required exhibitor's meeting on Saturday, July 27 at 9 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Building.	
Showmanship	Open to any youth taking a rabbit project. Sign up for showmanship will be Wednesday from 8—9 a.m. in the A.E. Blaum Arena. The showmanship competition will be held Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the A.E. Blaum Arena. Participation in showmanship is required to be eligible for "Outstanding Market Exhibitor." Showmanship	
It's Showtime!	Market Rabbit show is Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. in the A.E. Blaum Arena..	Breeding Rabbit show is Wednesday at 9 a.m. in the A.E. Blaum Arena..
Sale	Sale is held Saturday morning in the A.E. Blaum Arena after the poultry sale which starts at 10 a.m.	Not a sale animal
Fair Premiums	Premiums will be picked up at the Sr. Fair Board office on Thursday from 2-4:30 p.m., Friday from noon—2:30 p.m. and Saturday from 10:30 a.m.—1 p.m. No premiums will be issued after the fair.	
Released from Fair	This is a terminal sale. All market rabbits will be loaded by fair officials for slaughter.	Exhibitors will take breeding rabbits home after Breeding Rabbit show.

2024 Pike County Fair

Friday, July 26-Saturday, August 3

For more information, contact Joy Bauman (4-H Educator) at 740-289-4837

Pike County Fair questions can be directed to the fair board at 740-289-9194