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Atlantic County 4-H Fair
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AWARDS

1. Unless otherwise indicated, all exhibits will receive participation ribbons.
2. Members may receive only one award in Canning, Freezing, Dehydration, and Photography.

SPECIAL AWARDS

1. Best In Show rosettes will be awarded in divisions with 10 or more entries. Any entry receiving a Best In Show rosette MUST have an excellent rating. In divisions in which there are no entries rated Excellent, no Best-In-Show rosettes will be awarded.
2. Best In Show rosettes will be awarded to the outstanding Junior and Senior entries in Fancy Baked Goods unit if there are at least three entries.
3. Club Booth Exhibits—ANY club that pre-registers for a club booth exhibits by the deadline of Saturday, July 18, will receive a \$25 premium. In addition, clubs will be awarded: \$25 for First Place, \$15 for Second Place, and \$10 for Third Place.
4. An Honorable Mention Rosette will be awarded in units or divisions with limited entries.
5. Outstanding Contribution to the 4-H Fair Award will be given to TWO 4-H members who contributed the greatest effort and showed the best attitude throughout 4-H Fair set-up and the 4-H Fair. A committee of adult representatives from 4-H Fair Association, 4-H Leaders' Association, and 4-H Youth Council, in addition to the 4-H Agent and the 4-H Program Associate(s), will meet on Saturday of the Fair to choose the winners of this award.
6. 4-H Citizenship Award will be awarded to two Senior members who have achieved in 4-H projects, community service, citizenship, and leadership throughout their 4-H careers. A committee of adult representatives from the 4-H Fair Association, 4-H Leaders' Association, and 4-H Youth Council, in addition to the 4-H Agent and 4-H Program Associate(s), will meet prior to the 4-H Fair to choose the winners of this award, based on formal leader recommendations.



Do you have too many award ribbons and don't know what to do with all of them? Instead of storing them in a box or throwing them away, consider donating your clean unwanted ribbons back to the Atlantic County 4-H Fair Association. Not only is it environmentally friendly to reuse, but it also saves the Fair Association much needed funds. On Saturday night, there will be drop-off boxes on the stage to place your unwanted Danish ribbons (Excellent, Very Good, and Good). Reduce your clutter by donating your ribbons -- who needs 60 Excellent ribbons when a few will do?



2026 ATLANTIC COUNTY 4-H FAIR
OFFICIAL 4-H EXHIBIT CATALOG
FOR MEMBERS AND LEADERS

GENERAL RULES

1. Registered 4-H members (grades K-13) are eligible to exhibit. 4-H Cloverbud members (grades K-3) may exhibit in the Cloverbud Division ONLY (Division B).
2. Members in grades 8-13 as of September 2025 are considered to be in the Senior Division; members in grades 4-7 as of September 2025 are considered to be in the Junior Division. Members in grades K-3 as of September 2025 are considered to be in the Cloverbud Division, unless otherwise stipulated in the rules.
3. ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
4. ALL Jr. and Sr. members MUST have also participated in a county Public Presentation following the state presentation guidelines or the Favorite Foods Show. ALL Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
5. Club members should exhibit in divisions in which they are enrolled and have carried a project during the current year. All members may exhibit in the Garden/Fruits & Vegetables, Flowers/Houseplants, Food Preservation, Baked Goods, Clothing, Market Eggs, Fine Arts, Creative Crafts, Hobbies & Collections, Photography, and Model Horse only.
6. All exhibits MUST be the result of the current year's club work and be approved by the members' 4-H club leader.
7. Record books MUST be complete as of Thursday, August 6, 2026, unless otherwise specified, and MUST be brought with exhibits (IF REQUIRED). Record books will be checked by chairpersons of the exhibit and returned to the club member by the end of the Fair. FIVE Points will be deducted from each entry NOT accompanied by a record book. (See specific division to determine if a record book is required.)
8. ALL entries NOT meeting class requirements as listed will be DISQUALIFIED.
9. Exhibit tags and judging scoresheets MUST accompany ALL entries and be secured from 4-H club leaders or the County 4-H Office in Mays Landing. Exhibit tags and scoresheets should be filled out COMPLETELY and NEATLY using the correct division and class numbers, as well as the name of articles and club member. Division numbers and class numbers are found in this exhibit catalog. (See Table of Contents.)
10. Judging will begin at 9 a.m. on Friday, August 7, 2026, unless otherwise specified (i.e. eggs, model horse, photography, etc.)
11. The 4-H Fair Association will NOT be liable, in any way, for loss due to fire, water, theft, an Act of God, or any cause whatsoever. The exhibitors shall hold the Fair Association blameless for any loss, and upon this condition ONLY are the entries and exhibits accepted. However, every precaution will be taken to protect all exhibits. Special officers will be on duty each night.
12. Any exhibitors removing an exhibit or any part of an exhibit without permission from the 4-H Fair Association will forfeit any or all ribbons. Tent and Barn Exhibits may NOT be removed until AFTER the selection of the Youth Ambassadors on Saturday, August 8. Barn Managers will be on duty to enforce this rule; ANY violations will NOT be permitted to participate in the

2027 4-H Fair. Horses may NOT be removed until Sunday morning (see Horse Project Activities Guide) without prior permission. 4-H Building Exhibits may not be removed until ½ hour after the completion of the Talent Show on Saturday, August 8, and then again on Sunday, August 9, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This will help eliminate the loss of valuable 4-H projects.

SPECIAL ENTRY RULES

1. ALL exhibits must be brought to the 4-H Fairgrounds between the hours of 6 and 9 p.m. on Thursday, August 6, 2025, unless specified. NO Entries will be accepted AFTER 9 p.m.
2. All preserved foods (frozen, canned, dehydration) entries will be judged on Saturday, July 18. Drop off preserved foods entries on Saturday, July 18, 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the 4-H Center. Preserved foods entries MUST be accompanied by dummy cartons to be used for exhibits at the Fair (see Division G through G3). Members can pick up their judged entries on August 1, 2, or 3. Entries not picked up during this time will be disposed of.
3. Other than canning, freezing, and dehydration no other “foods” can be entered that require refrigeration or freezing. Special circumstances may be taken into consideration pending weather.
4. All photography entries will be judged on Saturday, August 1, at the 4-H Center. Photography drop off is Monday, July 13 - Friday, July 17, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the 4-H Office in Mays Landing. In addition, entries may be dropped off on Saturday, July 18, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the 4-H Center. No other photos will be accepted after this time. Entries without Photography judging sheets and exhibit tags will not be accepted.
5. All members may exhibit in the Garden/Fruits & Vegetables, Flowers/Houseplants, Food Preservation, Baked Goods, Fine Arts, Eggs, Creative Crafts, Hobbies & Collections, and Photography divisions. There is no Clothing/Textiles Division (Divisions F-F2) in 2026, however, members can enter their sewing projects in Creative Crafts, Division J.

HOW TO COMPLETE A 4-H EXHIBIT TAG

DIVISION B – GARDENS – FRUITS/VEGETABLES

Class:

1. Garden Crops-Vegetables
2. Herbs
3. Garden Crops-Novelty Produce

STEPS

1. Find the Division which includes your project; enter that number under DIVISION.
2. Find the class that best describes your entry; enter that number under CLASS.
3. Enter the exact name of your entry under ARTICLE.
4. Be sure to clearly print your NAME, CLUB NAME, AND GRADE.
5. Be sure to copy the information from the top onto the bottom.
6. Attach the exhibit tag securely so it will not separate from your entry. This is important so your entry can be identified.

	
ATLANTIC COUNTY 4-H FAIR	
DIVISION _____	C
CLASS NUMBER _____	2
ARTICLE _____	rosemary
NAME _____	Sally Jones
CLUB _____	4-H Garden Gnomes
AGE _____	10
GRADE _____	5
AWARD: Ex Vg Good Fair	

DIVISION A - ADULT DIVISION

RULES

1. Exhibitors **MUST** be a registered adult 4-H volunteer, 4-H club leader, 4-H parent/legal guardian, or active master gardener in Atlantic County verified by the agriculture agent/master gardener coordinator.
 2. Special adult exhibit tags should accompany ALL adult exhibits. Tags will be available on Thursday night during project entry drop-off on August 6, from 6 to 9 p.m. Due to other responsibilities, there will be some flexibility in accepting leaders' exhibits. However, ALL exhibits **MUST** be in place by 9 a.m. on Friday, August 7.
 3. All entries will receive a participation ribbon.
 4. Exhibits may include any articles made or grown by the exhibitor. Examples of exhibits are: food, crafts, vegetables, plants, photography, etc. Photos must be mounted; **NO GLASS FRAMES**. Any photos not picked up by Sunday will be **DISCARDED**.
 5. Best in Show and 2nd Best in Show will be awarded to the MOST outstanding entries in this division.
 6. General rules #9 and #10 (see pg. 4) apply to **ALL** adult exhibitors.
 7. Entries may be picked up between 10 and 11 p.m. on Saturday, August 8, or between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Sunday, August 9. Any entries that are not picked up by Sunday will be **DISCARDED**.
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DIVISION B - 4-H CLOVERBUD PROJECTS

Boys and girls enrolled in 4-H Cloverbud clubs or participate as a Cloverbud member (grade K-3) in a project club have the opportunity to exhibit articles that they have made or grown as a part of their 4-H Cloverbud club experiences. These articles are to be displayed in a special area assigned to 4-H Cloverbuds for exhibit **ONLY**. Cloverbud entries for preserved foods should be brought to the 4-H Center on July 18, 9-11:30 a.m.

- Participation ribbons will be given; while NO ratings will be given to these exhibits, comments/evaluations may be given.

NOTE: ALL members in grades K through 3 as of September 2025 MUST exhibit in the Cloverbud Division.

DIVISION C - GARDENS - FRUIT/VEGETABLES

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. All exhibits must have been selected and grown by the club member exhibiting.
2. Exhibitors must select the **BEST** product and submit the required number of specimens listed for each class.
3. ALL Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. ALL Cloverbud members

must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.

4. ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
5. Each entry must consist of a single variety correctly named.
6. The judging criteria for vegetables and fruits include uniformity of size, shape, color, and trueness to type.
7. Best In Show and 2nd Best In Show rosettes will be awarded for outstanding entries in Junior and Senior Divisions based on the number of qualified entries.

Class Number/Name	Class Description	Entry Requirements
Class 1: Garden Crops – Fruit, Vegetables	A fruit, root, flower, or leaf that is edible and was cared for at least 30 days prior to submission.	2-4 specimens should be blemish free and at correct stage of ripeness. 3 entry maximum—each of a different species or cultivar; i.e. you can enter 3 tomatoes, but each must be a different cultivar – not all “Celebrity.”
Class 2: Herbs	A plant grown primarily for adding flavor rather than being consumed alone.	Plant should be healthy and appropriate size for species. 3 entry maximum—each of a different species or cultivar.
Class 3: Garden Crops – Novelty Produce	A unique fruit or vegetable that’s a funny shape.	The produce plant must be one that you have taken care of for at least 30 days prior to entry.

DIVISION D – FLOWERS/HOUSEPLANTS

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. All exhibits must have been grown, selected, and arranged by the club member exhibiting.
2. ALL Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. ALL Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
3. ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
4. Exhibitors must furnish their own containers. Adhesive tape on the bottom of the container must have the exhibitors name on it.
5. Exhibitors must select the BEST product and may submit ONE (1) entry in each class.
6. ALL entries must be labeled with common name and variety of plants.
7. Best In Show and 2nd Best In Show rosettes will be awarded for outstanding entries in Junior and Senior Divisions based on the number of qualified entries.

Class Number/Name	Class Description	Entry Requirements
Class 1: Ornamentals – Flowers	Flowers that are grown for ornamental purposes and not ordinarily for consumption.	Flower still attached to plant. 3 entry maximum—each of a different species or cultivar.
Class 2: Ornamentals – Cut Flower Arrangement	Create a beautiful bouquet of cut flowers in a vase using a minimum of two varieties of flowers and five stems.	Flowers must be ones that are grown from seedling or a seed and have taken care of at least 14 days prior to entry.
Class 3: Houseplants	Includes all indoor houseplants and succulents.	Plant must be cared for by club member.

DIVISION E – MODEL TRAIN

OBJECTIVES

To introduce young people, ages 7 to grade 13, to new or advanced skills by building an operating a modular model railroad by learning:

1. Cooperation and teamwork through mutually erecting, connecting, and operating the model railroad.
2. Principles of graphic display in planning and creating theme, scenery, and model structure for the module.
3. Historical perspective, geography, and research techniques through the study of railroads, their history, and the regional communities they serve.

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. Only enrolled members of the Model Train Club may exhibit.
2. ALL Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. ALL Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
3. ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
4. All exhibits must be the result of a club member's and parent/guardian's effort. Parent participation should be kept MINIMUM so as to enhance the child's overall experience.
5. Modules will be judged on the basis of creativity and demonstration of knowledge of the topics selected.
6. Modules can ONLY be judged one at a time, unless there has been a significant refurbishment or change to the module. The club leader or assistant club leader will make the determination as to whether the module has changed significantly from year to year to warrant being judged again.
7. Members will be scheduled to operate the display at the discretion of the leader.
8. Every member will set up and take down the Fair display.

9. All entries will receive Danish ribbons.

Description	Entry Requirements
All modules will be judged under the same criteria.	All exhibits must be tagged with member's name and grade.

DIVISION F – CLOTHING AND TEXTILES

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5)

1. Only regularly enrolled 4-H members are eligible to exhibit.
2. Given state, county, or club level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines. Participating in the Favorite Foods Show also counts towards this requirement.
3. ALL members **MUST** have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
4. All clothing items will be judged at the 4-H Center on Saturday, July 19, at 9 a.m. Exhibitors **MUST** be present during judging. Please note that this is the **ONLY** time that clothing items will be judged. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS MADE.**
5. Each item must have an exhibit tag and scoresheet. These should be filled out **COMPLETELY**.
6. Members **MUST** attempt new learning experiences in each successive section and level.
7. All entries not meeting class requirements as listed will be disqualified.
8. Members will receive a ribbon and award corresponding to the judging rating for each garment.
9. **All 4-Hers who have entered clothing MUST participate in the 4-H Fair Fashion Revue on Friday, August 8. Participants will receive a Danish ribbon.**
10. Outstanding entries will receive 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place rosettes in the Junior and Senior Divisions. They must receive a ribbon and award.
11. Members in grades 8-13 as of September 2024 are considered to be in the Senior Division and members in grades 4-7 as of September 2024 are considered to be in the Junior Division.
12. Members with Special Needs are allowed to have a leader present with them during judging. 4-H staff **MUST** be notified in advance.
13. Cloverbud members (K-3) who want to be included in the Fashion Revue must drop off clothing items on July 19. Otherwise, items should be entered on Thursday, August 7, from 6-9 p.m.

No Clothing and Textiles Division

Class Number/Name	Class Requirements
Class 1: Beginner Only	Beginner Sewing Kit: includes at least 8 different notions a beginning sewer needs in a "sewing basket" you have decorated.
Class 2: Beginner Only	Pin cushion or needle book
Class 3: Beginner Only	Basic hand stitches: stuffed animal, booklet, etc.
Class 4	Clothing accessory: tote bag, beach bag, purse, apron, poncho, belt, scarf, hat, etc.
Class 5	Skirt, shorts, pants
Class 6	Dress or Jumper
Class 7	Other

DIVISION F1 – 4-H FASHION REVUE: FRIDAY, AUGUST 8 @ 5 P.M.

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pages. 4-5):

1. Sewn items that have been judged and made by 4-H members or purchased as a Consumerism project must be modeled in the building, Friday, August 8, at 5 p.m.
2. All members who entered clothing must be in the Fashion Revue.
3. Fashion Revue forms must be completed by 19 at Clothing Evaluation. NO FORM = NO FASHION REVUE
4. 4-H Fashion Revue line-up will be held at 4:30 p.m. in the building. 4-Hers may change into their garments at the Center and MUST change after the show and return their garments to the display. All 4-Hers should be at the Center at 4:00 p.m. to allow enough time for changing prior to line-up.
5. 4-Hers who participate in the Fashion Revue will receive participation ribbons. Awards will be given to the outstanding Junior and Senior models.

No 4-H Fashion Revue

DIVISION F2 – HOME ENVIRONMENT & BASIC SEWING

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pages. 4-5):

1. To include home environment projects sewn or made by 4-H members in the current project year.
2. Given state, county, or club level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines. Participating in the Favorite Foods Show also counts towards this requirement.
3. ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
4. Entries will be disqualified if they are NOT considered functional items used in a home environment. Craft/wooden items are NOT allowed in this section.
5. Judging criteria: quality of workmanship, usefulness/functional home use items, color and design application, personal creativity, etc.
6. Best In Show and 2nd Best In Show and Senior Divisions

No Home Environment & Basic Sewing Division

Class Number/Name	Class Description/Requirements
Class 1 Home Accessory	Pillow, pillow sham, photo frame, counted cross stitch home décor, etc.
Class 2 Bed Accessory	Bedspread, quilt, comforter, blanket, dust ruffle, etc.
Class 3 Bath Accessory	2 decorative towels, 2 decorative hand towels, 2 decorative wash cloths, shower curtain, etc.
Class 4 Kitchen/Dining Accessory	2 decorative kitchen towels, 2 potholders, small appliance cover, table covering, table runner, 4 placemats, etc.
Class 5	Other

DIVISION G - FOOD PRESERVATION

G1 – CANNING

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. Canning exhibits will be judged on Saturday, July 18. Entries must be dropped off at the 4-H Center on Saturday, July 18, from 9 – 11:30 a.m. Members can pick up their judged entries on August 1, 2, or 3. Entries not picked up during this time will be discarded.
2. Cloverbud entries for preserved foods should be brought to the 4-H Center on July 18, 9-11:30 a.m.
3. ALL Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. ALL Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
4. ALL members **MUST** have participated in a 4-H Fair Association fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
5. **Recipes MUST accompany ALL entries. Recipes can be typed or NEATLY handwritten on **CARDSTOCK PAPER ONLY** no larger than 3" x 5". Points will be deducted if the recipe card is not legible or clear. No full sheets of paper allowed.**
6. Best In Show and 2nd Best In Show rosettes will be awarded for outstanding entries in Junior and Senior Divisions based on the number of qualified entries.
7. **For food safety, it is highly recommended that you only use USDA approved canning recipes:**

<https://www.nifa.usda.gov/about-nifa/blogs/usdas-complete-guide-home-canning>

Class Number/Name	Entry Requirements
Class 1: Fruit	Use regulation canning jars, pints, or quarts for canning. All jars in each entry must be identical as to size, shape, and color. Rings should remain on jars for display. Rings and lids MUST be free from rust. A label must be placed on the side of the jar one (1) inch from the base and filled out completely with name, club name, item, and date. Points may be deducted if the date is not added. Each canning entry should include ONE (1) unopened jar with canning label. A sample MUST also be brought. This sample can be another unopened jar or small sample in a baby food jar or other small container and should be labeled also. Samples might not be returned to exhibitors. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different fruits or vegetables are used for each entry. <u>Recipes MUST accompany ALL entries. Recipes can be typed or NEATLY handwritten on CARDSTOCK PAPER ONLY. Recipe must be on a card no larger than 3" x 5". Points will be deducted if the recipe card is not legible or clear. No full sheets of cardstock allowed.</u>
Class 2: Vegetables	Use regulation canning jars, pints, or quarts for canning. All jars in each entry must be identical as to size, shape, and color. Rings should remain on jars for display. Rings and lids MUST be free from rust.

	A label must be placed on the side of the jar one (1) inch from the base and filled out completely with name, club name, item, and date. Points may be deducted if the date is not added. Each canning entry should include ONE (1) unopened jar with canning label. A sample MUST also be brought. This sample can be another unopened jar or small sample in a baby food jar or other small container and should be labeled also. Samples might not be returned to exhibitors. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different fruits or vegetables are used for each entry. <u>Recipes MUST accompany ALL entries. Recipes can be typed or NEATLY handwritten on CARDSTOCK PAPER ONLY. Recipe must be on a card no larger than 3" x 5". Points will be deducted if the recipe card is not legible or clear. No full sheets of cardstock allowed.</u>
Class 3: Jams or Jellies	Use regulation canning jars, ½ pints for jams and jelly glasses or canning jars for jelly. All jars in each entry must be identical as to size, shape, and color. Rings should remain on jars for display. Rings and lids MUST be free from rust. A label must be placed on the side of the jar one (1) inch from the base and filled out completely with name, club name, item, and date. Points may be deducted if the date is not added. Each canning entry should include ONE (1) unopened jar with canning label. A sample MUST also be brought. This sample can be another unopened jar or small sample in a baby food jar or other small container and should also be labeled. Samples might not be returned to exhibitors. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different fruits or vegetables are used for each entry. <u>Recipes MUST accompany ALL entries. Recipes can be typed or NEATLY handwritten on CARDSTOCK PAPER ONLY. Recipe must be on a card no larger than 3" x 5". Points will be deducted if the recipe card is not legible or clear. No full sheets of cardstock allowed.</u>
Class 4: Pickles or Relishes	Use regulation canning jars, pints, or quarts for canning. All jars in each entry must be identical as to size, shape, and color. Rings should remain on jars for display. Rings and lids MUST be free from rust. A label must be placed on the side of the jar one (1) inch from the base and filled out completely with name, club name, item, and date. Points may be deducted if the date is not added. Each canning entry should include ONE (1) unopened jar with canning label. A sample MUST also be brought. This sample can be another unopened jar or small

	sample in a baby food jar or other small container and should also be labeled. Samples might not be returned to exhibitors. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different fruits or vegetables are used for each entry. <u>Recipes MUST accompany ALL entries. Recipes can be typed or NEATLY handwritten on CARDSTOCK PAPER ONLY. Recipe must be on a card no larger than 3" x 5". Points will be deducted if the recipe card is not legible or clear. No full sheets of cardstock allowed.</u>
Class 5: Other	Use regulation canning jars, pints, or quarts for canning. All jars in each entry must be identical as to size, shape, and color. Rings should remain on jars for display. Rings and lids MUST be free from rust. A label must be placed on the side of the jar one (1) inch from the base and filled out completely with name, club name, item, and date. Points may be deducted if the date is not added. Each canning entry should include ONE (1) unopened jars identical in size, with canning labels. A sample MUST also be brought. This sample can be another unopened jar or small sample in a baby food jar or other small container and should be labeled the same as other jars. Samples might not be returned to exhibitors. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different fruits or vegetables are used for each entry. <u>Recipes MUST accompany ALL entries. Recipes can be typed or NEATLY handwritten on CARDSTOCK PAPER ONLY. Recipe must be on a card no larger than 3" x 5". Points will be deducted if the recipe card is not legible or clear. No full sheets of paper allowed.</u>

G2 – FREEZING

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

- Freezing exhibits will be judged on Saturday, July 18, at the 4-H Center. Entries must be dropped off at the 4-H Center on Saturday, July 18, 9-11:30 a.m. only. Members can pick up their judged entries on August 1, 2, and 3. Entries not picked up during this time will be discarded.
- Cloverbud entries for preserved foods should be brought to the 4-H Center on July 18, 9-11:30 a.m.
- ALL Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. ALL Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
- ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
- Only items in the classes here specified may be entered.
- Outstanding entries will receive Best In Show and 2nd Best In Show rosettes in Junior and Senior Divisions.

Class Number/Name	Entry Requirements
Class 1: Fruit	Entry should be a pint, ½ pint, or quart standard freezer packages of glass, plastic, cardboard, or freezer paper. Each package MUST be marked with the name of the project, date of freezing, member's name and club name. All freezing entries MUST include the frozen food and a dummy package, both with labels. Dummy packages can be freezer containers, packages filled with pebbles, or blocks of wood wrapped in freezer paper. IMPORTANT: Dummy packages MUST be neat and clean. On the outside of the packages, there should be a picture cut out from a magazine or a drawing of the frozen food inside. Vacuum sealed freezer bag method is optional. Dummy packages MUST resemble packaging. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different fruits or vegetables are used for each entry.
Class 2: Vegetables	Entry should be a pint, ½ pint, or quart standard freezer packages of glass, plastic, cardboard, or freezer paper. Each package MUST be marked with the name of the project, date of freezing, member's name and club name. All freezing entries MUST include the frozen food and a dummy package, both with labels. Dummy packages can be freezer containers, packages filled with pebbles, or blocks of wood wrapped in freezer paper. IMPORTANT: Dummy packages MUST be neat and clean. On the outside of the packages, there should be a picture cut out from a magazine or a drawing of the frozen food inside. Vacuum sealed freezer bag method is optional. Dummy packages MUST resemble packaging. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different fruits or vegetables are used for each entry.
Class 3: Meats and Baked Goods	Entry should be a pint, ½ pint, or quart standard freezer packages of glass, plastic, cardboard, or freezer paper. Each package MUST be marked with the name of the project, date of freezing, member's name and club name. All freezing entries MUST include the frozen food and a dummy package, both with labels. Dummy packages can be freezer containers, packages filled with pebbles, or blocks of wood wrapped in freezer paper. IMPORTANT: Dummy packages MUST be neat and clean. On the outside of the packages, there should be a picture cut out from a magazine or a drawing of the frozen food inside.

	Vacuum sealed freezer bag method is optional. Dummy packages MUST resemble packaging. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different fruits or vegetables are used for each entry.
Class 4: Freezer Jelly or Jam	Entry should be a pint, ½ pint, or quart standard freezer packages of glass, plastic, cardboard, or freezer paper. Each package MUST be marked with the name of the project, date of freezing, member's name and club name. All freezing entries MUST include the frozen food and a dummy package, both with labels. Dummy packages can be freezer containers, packages filled with pebbles, or blocks of wood wrapped in freezer paper. <u>IMPORTANT</u>: Dummy packages MUST be neat and clean. On the outside of the packages, there should be a picture cut out from a magazine or a drawing of the frozen food inside. Vacuum sealed freezer bag method is optional. Dummy packages MUST resemble packaging. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different fruits or vegetables are used for each entry.
Class 5: Pickles	Entry should be a pint, ½ pint, or quart standard freezer packages of glass, plastic, cardboard, or freezer paper. Each package MUST be marked with the name of the project, date of freezing, member's name, and club name. All freezing entries MUST include the frozen food and a dummy package, both with labels. Dummy packages can be freezer containers, packages filled with pebbles, or blocks of wood wrapped in freezer paper. <u>IMPORTANT</u>: Dummy packages MUST be neat and clean. On the outside of the packages, there should be a picture cut out from a magazine or a drawing of the frozen food inside. Vacuum sealed freezer bag method is optional. Dummy packages MUST resemble packaging. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different fruits or vegetables are used for each entry.
Class 6: Other	Entry should be a pint, ½ pint, or quart standard freezer packages of glass, plastic, cardboard, or freezer paper. Each package MUST be marked with the name of the project, date of freezing, member's name, and club name. All freezing entries MUST include the frozen food and a dummy package, both with labels. Dummy packages can be freezer containers, packages filled with pebbles, or blocks of wood wrapped in freezer paper. <u>IMPORTANT</u>: Dummy packages MUST be neat and clean. On the outside of the packages, there should be a picture cut out from a magazine or a drawing of the frozen food inside.

	Vacuum sealed freezer bag method is optional. Dummy packages MUST resemble packaging. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different fruits or vegetables are used for each entry.
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G3 – DEHYDRATED FOODS

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. Exhibits will be judged on Saturday, July 18, at the 4-H Center. Entries must be dropped off at the 4-H Center on Saturday, July 18, from 9 – 11:30 a.m. only. Members can pick up their judged entries on August 1, 2, and 3. Entries not picked up during this time will be discarded.
2. Cloverbud entries for preserved foods should be brought to the 4-H Center on July 18, 9-11:30 a.m.
3. ALL Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. ALL Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
4. ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
5. Only items in the classes here specified may be entered.
6. Outstanding entries will receive Best In Show and 2nd Best In Show rosettes in Junior and Senior Divisions.

Class Number/Name	Entry Requirements
Class 1: Meat	Each package MUST be marked with the name of the project, date dehydrated, member's name and club name. Vacuum sealed freezer bag method is optional. Dummy packages MUST resemble packaging. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different meats are used for each entry.
Class 2: Vegetables	Each package MUST be marked with the name of the project, date dehydrated, and member's name, and club name. Vacuum sealed freezer bag method is optional. Dummy packages MUST resemble packaging. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different fruits or vegetables are used for each entry.
Class 3: Fruit	Each package MUST be marked with the name of the project, date dehydrated, member's name, and club name. Vacuum sealed freezer bag method is optional. Dummy packages MUST resemble packaging. Each 4-H'er may enter more than one entry in each class provided that different fruits or vegetables are used for each entry.

DIVISION H – BAKED GOODS

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. Exhibits will be judged Friday, August 7. Entries must be brought to the 4-H Center on Thursday, August 6, from 6-9 p.m.
2. All entries will receive Danish awards.
3. ALL Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. ALL Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
4. ALL members **MUST** have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
5. **NO FOODS REQUIRING REFRIDGERATION WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
6. Recipes **MUST** accompany ALL entries. Recipes can be typed or NEATLY handwritten on **CARDSTOCK PAPER ONLY no larger than 3" x 5"**. Points will be deducted if the recipe card is not legible, clear, or not on a 3"x5" card. No full sheets of paper allowed.
7. Best In Show and 2nd Best In Show rosettes will be awarded to the best overall entries in Breads, Brownies, Cakes, Candy, Cookies, Decorated Cakes, International Foods, Pastry, and Pies in the Junior and Senior Divisions, and for any unit in which there are 3 or more entries.
8. All entries should be consistent with the level baked of the member's cooking ability.

Class Number/Name	Class Description	Entry Requirements
Class 1: Breads	Biscuits, muffins, corn bread, coffee cake, gingerbread, fruit bread, fruit & nut bread, vegetable bread, cheese bread, rolls, loaf bread (white, wheat, sourdough, etc.)	See rules above. Entries must be prepared by the exhibitor from scratch (homemade, NO box mixes or commercial frosting/icing allowed). Entries must be brought on a disposable plate and either put in a Ziploc storage bag or covered with plastic wrap. Exhibit 4 samples or a whole loaf of bread
Class 2: Cookies	Drop, bar, rolled, refrigerator, molded/shaped, fancy (filled or iced)	See rules above. Entries must be prepared by the exhibitor from scratch (homemade, NO box mixes or commercial frosting/icing allowed). Entries must be brought on a disposable plate and either put in a Ziploc storage bag or covered with plastic wrap. Exhibit 4 samples
Class 3: Brownies		See rules above.

		Entries must be prepared by the exhibitor from scratch (homemade, NO box mixes or commercial frosting/icing allowed). Entries must be brought on a disposable plate and either put in a Ziploc storage bag or covered with plastic wrap. Exhibit 4 samples
Class 4: Candy	Fudge, brittle, hard candy, divinity, etc.	See rules above. Entries must be prepared by the exhibitor from scratch (homemade, NO box mixes or commercial frosting/icing allowed). Entries must be brought on a disposable plate and either put in a Ziploc storage bag or covered with plastic wrap. Exhibit 4 samples.
Class 5: Cakes	Yellow, chocolate, white, sponge, angel food, pound, spice, cupcakes, etc.	See rules above. Entries must be prepared by the exhibitor from scratch (homemade, NO box mixes or commercial frosting/icing allowed). Entries must be brought on a disposable plate and either put in a Ziploc storage bag or covered with plastic wrap. <u>Cupcakes</u>: exhibit 4 samples with or without icing <u>Cakes</u>: exhibit ½ cake with or without icing
Class 6: Decorated Cakes	Decorated to carry out a theme	See rules above. Decorated cake class entries do not have to be a real cake. Dummy cake (i.e. Styrofoam, cardboard, etc.) can be used as a base to decorate. Entries must be prepared by the exhibitor from scratch (homemade, NO box mixes or commercial frosting/icing allowed). Entries must be brought on a disposable plate and either put in a

		Ziploc storage bag or covered with plastic wrap.
Class 7: Pies	Fruit, pumpkin, sweet potato, etc.	See rules above. Entries must be prepared by the exhibitor from scratch (homemade, NO box mixes or commercial frosting/icing allowed). Entries must be brought on a disposable plate and either put in a Ziploc storage bag or covered with plastic wrap. Exhibit whole pie.
Class 8: Pastry		See rules above. Entries must be prepared by the exhibitor from scratch (homemade, NO box mixes or commercial frosting/icing allowed). Entries must be brought on a disposable plate and either put in a Ziploc storage bag or covered with plastic wrap. Exhibit 4 samples.
Class 9: International Foods	Must include country of origin	See rules above. Entries must be prepared by the exhibitor from scratch (homemade, NO box mixes or commercial frosting/icing allowed). Entries must be brought on a disposable plate and either put in a Ziploc storage bag or covered with plastic wrap. Exhibit 4 samples.
Class 10: Snack Mix		See rules above. Entries must be prepared by the exhibitor from scratch (homemade, NO box mixes or commercial frosting/icing allowed). Entries must be brought in a Ziploc storage bag. Exhibit 2 cups worth.
Class 11: Other	Recipe file box, menu, baked goods gift basket, food or nutrition poster/display	See rules above.

DIVISION I - FINE ARTS

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. Exhibits will be judged Friday, August 7. Entries must be brought to the 4-H Center on Thursday, August 6, from 6- 9 p.m.
2. To include projects made by 4-H members during the current project year.
3. ALL Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. ALL Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
4. ALL members **MUST** have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
5. Members may enter up to five (5) projects per class.
6. Best In Show and 2nd Best In Show rosettes will be awarded to outstanding entries in Junior and Senior Divisions.

Class Number/Name	Class Description
Class 1: Artwork	Entries may include paintings, drawings, and sketches using any type of media.
Class 2: 3-D Artwork	Entries may include sculpture using any type of media, including, but not limited to, clay, foam, fabric, model magic, etc.
Class 3: Computer Related Art	Entries may include any art created using a computer program which may include, but not limited to, graphic design, web design, computer generated illustration, etc.

DIVISION J - CREATIVE CRAFTS

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. Exhibits will be judged Friday, August 7. Entries must be brought to the 4-H Center on Thursday, August 6, from 6- 9 p.m.
2. To include creative crafts projects made by 4-H members during the current project year.
3. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. All Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
4. ALL members **MUST** have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
5. Members must select their best for each class, and they may enter five (5) per class
6. Craft projects made at 4-H Camp may be entered.

7. Best In Show and 2nd Best In Show rosettes will be awarded to outstanding entries in the Junior and Senior Divisions

Class Number/Name	Class Description
Class 1: Paper Crafts	Origami, scrapbooking, and any other paper craft.
Class 2: Trendy Crafts	Tie dye, duct tape, rainbow loom, and any other trendy craft.
Class 3: Camp-like Crafts	Basket weaving, leather, ceramics (premade), woodworking, and any other item that would be made at camp.
Class 4: Trash to Treasure Crafts	Transforming old things into new things.
Class 5: Fashion Accessories	Handcrafted jewelry (bracelets, necklace, rings, etc.)
Class 6: Clothing	Sewn projects
Class 7: Other	Any craft not listed above, such as LEGOS, Lincoln Logs, shoebox diorama, etc.

DIVISION K – HOBBIES AND COLLECTIONS

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5)

1. Exhibits will be judged Friday, August 8. Entries must be brought to the 4-H Center on Thursday, August 6, from 6- 9 p.m.
2. All collections must be properly displayed and identifications made.
3. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. All Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
4. ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.

Class Number/Name	Class Description
Class 1	Any hobby/collection, such as stamps, coins, rocks, stones, shells, model cars, etc.

DIVISION L- PHOTOGRAPHY

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. Photographs entered must have been taken and mounted by the 4-H member exhibiting, since August 1, 2025.
2. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. Cloverbud members must do a club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
3. ALL members **MUST** have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
4. All photography entries will be judged on Saturday, August 1, at the 4-H Center. Photography drop off is Monday, July 13, – Friday, July 17, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the 4-H Office in Mays Landing. Entries may also be dropped off on Saturday, July 18, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the 4-H Center. No other photos will be accepted after this time. Entries without Photography judging sheets and exhibit tags will not be accepted. NO photo entries will be accepted on day of judging or during exhibit entries on Thursday, August 6. Cloverbud photography exhibits should be entered on Thursday, August 6.
5. Photographs must be in the form of prints or enlargements, may be processed at home or commercially.
6. First, second, and third place ribbons will be awarded to 1 Junior and 1 Senior for combined classes.

Class Number/Name	Class Description	Entry Requirements
Class 1: Animals, Domestic	Photos focusing on the various animals that have been tamed to fit our human environment and kept as a work animal, food source, or pet. Examples: chickens, cows, dogs/cats, hamsters, horses, pigs, sheep/goats. Not allowed: wildlife	Up to 4 photos allowed per class. Entries must be mounted appropriately on mounting mat or poster board with correctly filled out entry tag and judging sheet attached. The mounting will be judged on neatness and appropriate colors only. <u>NO GLASS FRAMES.</u> No cross entering allowed. A photograph can only be entered in 1 class. All photographs must have been taken by the 4-H member and be a minimum of 300 dpi (dots per inch) quality resolution.
Class 2: Landscape and Nature, Wildlife	The focus of this category is to capture the beauty and uniqueness of the outdoors and non-domesticated animals. Photos may include, but are not limited to, wildlife, insects, sunsets, urban landscapes, seascapes, cityscapes, farms, flowers, and flora. Detailed and macro (extremely close-up) photographs that meet the requirements are welcome.	Up to 4 photos allowed per class. Entries must be mounted appropriately on mounting mat or poster board with correctly filled out entry tag and judging sheet attached. The mounting will be judged on neatness and appropriate colors only. <u>NO GLASS FRAMES.</u>

	Examples: wildlife, insects, landscapes/gardens, an upward shot of a tree, scenic, or outdoors. Not allowed: photos taken through glass.	No cross entering allowed. A photograph can only be entered in 1 class. All photographs must have been taken by the 4-H member and be a minimum of 300 dpi (dots per inch) quality resolution.
Class 3: Motion/Action	The capture of movement within a single photo helps tell a story. Whether it's a dog running, a train barreling down the tracks, or trees blowing in the wind, each of these scenes can come alive within a photograph using different techniques (i.e. blurring, freezing, shutter speed, timing, focus). Examples: ferris wheel spinning, horse running across field/pasture, sports, dancing, canoeing, kayaking, paddle boating, splashing in water. Not allowed: still life	Up to 4 photos allowed per class. Entries must be mounted appropriately on mounting mat or poster board with correctly filled out entry tag and judging sheet attached. The mounting will be judged on neatness and appropriate colors only. <u>NO GLASS FRAMES.</u> No cross entering allowed. A photograph can only be entered in 1 class. All photographs must have been taken by the 4-H member and be a minimum of 300 dpi (dots per inch) quality resolution.
Class 4: Still Life	Category is a still life specialization of photography aimed at producing attractive photographs of inanimate objects which are either natural or manmade. Detailed and micro (extremely close-up) photographs that meet the category requirements are also welcome. Examples: food, place settings, bouquet of flowers, jewelry, books, drinking glass/teacup. Not allowed: photos of alcoholic beverages	Up to 4 photos allowed per class. Entries must be mounted appropriately on mounting mat or poster board with correctly filled out entry tag and judging sheet attached. The mounting will be judged on neatness and appropriate colors only. <u>NO GLASS FRAMES.</u> No cross entering allowed. A photograph can only be entered in 1 class. All photographs must have been taken by the 4-H member and be a minimum of 300 dpi (dots per inch) quality resolution.

DIVISION M - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE RULES

1. The Atlantic County 4-H Fair's animal health rules and regulations shall comply with the New Jersey Department of Agriculture's [Fair and Show Animal Health Regulations](#).
 - a. Additional animal health and/or animal welfare rules and regulations may be instituted, at the discretion of fair officials and the veterinarian-in-charge.
 - b. ALL rules and regulations will be enforced throughout the duration of the fair.
2. The treatment of all animals present at the fair/show, including those being offered at the livestock and poultry auction, MUST adhere to the New Jersey Administrative Code (N.J.A.C.) 2:8 "[Humane Treatment of Domestic Livestock](#)." These rules establish minimum humane standards for the raising, keeping, care, treatment, marketing, and sale of domestic livestock.
3. ALL livestock and poultry exhibited MUST be individually listed on an Atlantic County 4-H Animal Registration Form, which must be received by the 4-H office by May 1st, 2026.
4. ALL animals are subjected to a visual health inspection at unloading. Animals MUST be clean and appropriately trimmed upon arrival. Animals NOT properly cleaned, trimmed, in condition for public display, or determined/suspected of having a health problem will be placed in quarantine and asked to be removed from the Fairgrounds IMMEDIATELY.
5. NO animals with large scours are permitted. NO horned animals are permitted.
6. Stalls, coops, and other animal enclosures MUST be kept neat and sanitary, and all animals must be provided with food and clean water while on public display.
 - a. Members MUST care for their own animals while on exhibit at the Fair.

One-page checklists of required health documents for [POULTRY](#) and [GENERAL LIVESTOCK](#) must be printed, completed, and signed by the member and a responsible adult PRIOR to the vet check event on July 24th (pullorum testing).

Completed checklist(s) will receive a unique stamp and signature from livestock and Poultry club leaders during the mandatory pre-fair livestock & poultry meeting (held at the fairgrounds on August 3rd at 6:30pm).

Stamped/signed checklist(s) will serve as your "health pass" to enter the fairgrounds with your animal(s).

7. ALL livestock and poultry exhibited MUST be individually listed on a fully completed and signed "[Animal Health Certificate for New Jersey Fairs and Shows](#)" (AHC).
8. Imported livestock (except poultry—see Rule #17): *In addition to an AHC, livestock that are NOT native to New Jersey (i.e. they were acquired outside of the State of NJ) MUST ALSO present a separate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) that is signed by a licensed veterinarian in the state of origin and dated within 30 days prior to the date that travel to NJ occurred.*
 - a. The CVI MUST be a serialized document, and the signing veterinarian must indicate that the animal did NOT originate from a flock/herd with foot rot, sore mouth, or show signs of any infectious or contagious disease.
9. ALL SHEEP and GOATS MUST have permanent USDA-APHIS approved identification that corresponds to all applicable animal health documents:
 - a. An official ISO 11784/85 compliant microchip, an official NUES ear tag, OR a USDA-APHIS approved breed registry tattoo are the ONLY acceptable forms of permanent identification.
 - b. No sheep or goats will be eligible for veterinary inspections or admitted to the fairgrounds without the above-mentioned permanent identification.
 - c. Sheep or goats using an ISO microchip as their form of permanent identification MUST be accompanied at all times by an ISO microchip reader device that can display the chip number.

Neither the veterinarian-in-charge nor the Atlantic County 4-H will be providing a microchip reader.

10. ALL OTHER LIVESTOCK (besides sheep and goats) MUST be permanently identified with a numbered ear tag, band, unique tattoo, or microchip (any type of chip as long as you provide the reader). However, the method of identification does not need to be USDA-APHIS approved (it must simply serve to identify them).
11. All livestock and poultry MUST be accompanied by a [“Drug Use Form \(DUF\) for Food Animals Attending Fairs in the State of New Jersey,”](#) regardless of whether or not your animal has been treated with any drug(s).
 - a. ALL livestock and poultry are considered “food animals” by the NJ Department of Agriculture, whether they or their product(s) are intended for human consumption or not
 - b. If you administered a drug to an entire herd of the same species at the same time, you only need to use one form for the whole herd. However, individually-treated animals will require their own drug use form.
 - c. If you need to determine drug withdrawal times, please visit the [USDA Food Animal Residue Avoidance Databank \(FARAD\)](#).
12. In the interest of public health, the Atlantic County 4-H Fair and the veterinarian-in-charge require ALL species of MAMMALS housed primarily outdoors to be accompanied by a current RABIES VACCINATION CERTIFICATE.
 - a. If your animal is not yet vaccinated or its certificate is expired, rabies vaccine administration will be available free of charge during veterinary inspections on Friday, July 24th from 5pm-7pm. **IF YOUR ANIMAL HAS ALREADY BEEN VACCINATED FOR RABIES, YOU CAN RECEIVE A 3-YEAR VACCINE AND CERTIFICATE IF YOU BRING YOUR MOST RECENT EXPIRED CERTIFICATE WITH YOU TO THE VET CHECK. ANIMALS PRESENTED WITHOUT AN EXPIRED CERTIFICATE CAN ONLY RECEIVE A 1-YEAR VACCINE.**

***** Rules #13 - 17 (below) apply specifically to POULTRY *****

13. ALL poultry exhibited MUST be identified with a *numbered leg or wing band* that corresponds with all applicable animal health documents.
14. ALL poultry must be FREE of any visible external parasites prior to entering the fair, and will be subject to continuous on-site inspection as needed.
15. ALL poultry exhibited MUST be accompanied by the following THREE animal health and regulatory documents, PLUS proof of pullorum-free status:
 - a. An [“Animal Health Certificate for New Jersey Fairs and Shows”](#) (AHC) form (signed by a NJ licensed veterinarian within 90 days of the Fair).
 - b. A [“New Jersey 4-H Poultry, Rabbit, or Cavy Health Form”](#) (signed by the exhibitor’s 4-H club leader or other responsible adult who has personally inspected the flock premises within 90 days of the Fair).
 - c. A completed [“Drug Use Form \(DUF\) for Food Animals Attending Fairs in the State of New Jersey,”](#) whether or not your poultry or flock has been treated with any drug(s).
 - i. ALL types of domestic poultry and birds – including species other than chickens – are considered “food animals.”
 - ii. Drug Use Forms must be dated as of the last date that drugs were administered prior to fair, or within 14 days before fair if no drugs were administered.
 - iii. If you treated an entire flock with a drug at the same time, you only need to use one form for the whole flock. However, individually-treated birds will require their own drug use form.

- iv. If you need to determine drug withdrawal times, please visit the [USDA Food Animal Residue Avoidance Databank \(FARAD\)](#).
16. ALL exhibited poultry (see exceptions below) must be free of Pullorum-Typhoid disease:
- a. Chickens, turkeys, guinea fowl, pea fowl, and exotic game birds must be over 4 months of age and individually tested negative for Pullorum-Typhoid (NPIP form VS 9-2, dated within 90 days of the Fair), OR they must have originated from an NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid clean flock (NPIP form VS 9-3, dated within 90 days of the Fair).
 - i. Commercial broiler chickens less than 4 months of age are too young to be pullorum tested before fair. Therefore, ALL commercial broiler chickens must have originated from an NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid clean flock (you will need to present a copy of the hatchery's VS 9-3 form, dated within 1 year of chick purchase).
 - b. Ostrich, emu, rhea, and cassowaries *cannot be pullorum tested until they are at least 12 months of age*. All ostrich, emus, rhea, and cassowaries under 12 months must originate from Pullorum-Typhoid negative flocks.
 - c. Waterfowl, pigeons, and doves are exempt from Pullorum-Typhoid testing.
17. Imported poultry: ALL species of poultry and hatching eggs originating outside of the State of NJ MUST travel from the state of origin to NJ directly from an established flock or hatchery that participates in the NPIP U.S. Avian Influenza Clean program (this must be indicated on the breeder's or hatchery's VS 9-3 form).
18. ALL animals deemed to be a "captive game animal," "captive game bird," "exotic," or "non-game wildlife" by the NJ Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Division of Fish and Wildlife MUST submit a **DEP Permit for Possession** to the 4-H office by May 1st.
- a. The list of animals that the DEP has deemed "exotic" or "non-game wildlife" can be found here: <https://dep.nj.gov/njfw/wildlife/endangered-and-nongame-species/>
 - b. The list of animals and birds that the DEP has deemed "captive game" can be found here: https://dep.nj.gov/wp-content/uploads/njfw/captv_info.pdf
 - c. Any exceptions/exemptions that are made must come directly from the DEP, and must be submitted to the 4-H office **in writing**. To satisfy this requirement it is recommended that all communications with the DEP be done via email: NJWildlifePermits@dep.nj.gov
If you prefer to speak with the Division of Fish and Wildlife by phone, their number is (609) 292-9591.
19. The veterinarian-in-charge and other authorized personnel will provide veterinary inspections, NJ Animal Health Certificates (AHC), pullorum testing (VS 9-2 certificates), and rabies vaccinations/certificates BY APPOINTMENT on Friday, July 24th from 5-7pm.
- a. These services are provided free-of-charge to all Atlantic County 4-H animal club members in good standing.
20. Fully completed and signed original documents and completed checklists must be presented for *in-person review* by Livestock & Poultry Club leader(s) on "Mandatory Monday," August 3rd at 6:30 p.m. during the **attendance-mandatory** pre-fair livestock and poultry members' meeting.
- a. During this meeting, only animals with **fully completed health documents** will receive a unique STAMP and SIGNATURE on their checklist(s) indicating permission to enter the fair. There will be no make-up session for further review of incomplete or missing health documents. If you are having problems with completing your health documents, you should bring this to the attention of your club or project leader **before** August 3rd.
21. For the duration of the fair, ALL original health documents and your stamped/signed checklist(s) MUST be kept together neatly and in order, and must *remain accessible on-site* in the event of an adverse incident or an inspection from the NJ Department of Agriculture, the Atlantic County Division of Public Health, or other government entity with authority.

DIVISION M-1 – LIVESTOCK

GENERAL RULES

In addition to the Animal Health Rules and 4-H Fair General Rules:

1. ALL Atlantic County 4-H members wishing to exhibit or show livestock **MUST** attend the Pre-Fair Livestock and Poultry Meeting (See Rule #20 under Animal Health Rules).
2. **Move-in for all livestock animals (except for poultry; see Poultry General Rule #2) will take place from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, August 6th.**
 - a. Stamped animal health checklists **MUST** be presented to club leaders before unloading your animals.
3. Space for animals housed in the livestock barn is limited, and preference will be given to members who are registered for Goat, Sheep, Swine, or Dairy as their primary animal project.
 - a. **LIVESTOCK THAT ARE NOT REGISTERED FOR FAIR** are not permitted at the fair and cannot be housed anywhere on the fairgrounds at any time, for any length of time, or under any circumstances. *There is only ONE specific exception to this rule: See Livestock and Poultry Auction, Rule #17.*
4. **ONLY** members with registered livestock that is housed on-site during fair may sleep overnight in the livestock barn. ALL Overnight/Event permission forms **MUST** be signed by a club leader prior to turning it into the 4-H Fair Office.
5. **NO ONE**, except for the members, leaders, or barn managers, will be allowed in any livestock stalls.
6. Members **MUST** do their OWN fitting and handling for the show or exhibition
 - a. Fiber goats and sheep need to be spring sheared and have normal regrowth to date
 - b. Dairy goats can be sheared or blocked. Body should be cleaned and properly clipped.
 - c. Market goats should be blocked
 - d. Market hogs should be shaved/slick shorn and washed
7. Proper shoes for working with animals (ie. boots) are to be worn at ALL times around animals (stalls and show ring) – NO sandals, sneakers, or open-toed shoes are allowed.
8. Livestock animal exhibits may NOT be removed until 6am on Sunday, August 9th. Barn Managers will be on duty to enforce this rule; ANY violations will NOT be permitted to participate in the 2027 4-H Fair.
9. **Any animal club member and/or STEP participant** wishing to exhibit livestock, show livestock in competition, and be eligible for livestock awards **MUST** be a club member in “good standing” as per their respective club’s constitution and bylaws. *STEP participants must meet all of the requirements of their respective STEP.* At minimum, s/he **MUST** have:
 - a. Been a registered member of their club and/or STEP (in Zsuite) as of January 1, 2026 and have their project animal(s) registered by May 1, 2026.
 - b. Attended at least 70% of their club and/or STEP’s regular meetings
 - c. Given a county level 4-H public presentation (Juniors and Seniors). Participating in the Favorite Foods Show counts towards this requirement.
 - d. Complied with Atlantic County 4-H fundraising requirements
 - e. Participated in the previous year’s post-fair Sunday morning barn clean-up (if applicable) **AND** attended the current year’s pre-fair Livestock Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Mandatory Monday, August 3rd.
 - f. Completed a full project record book for their primary animal project **AND**, for any additional animal projects, completed a full project record book **OR** an Atlantic County 4-H approved record book addendum for each additional animal project area.
 - i. Project/record books are not mandatory for Cloverbuds.

BEST PROJECT RECORD BOOK AWARD

1. A "Best Project Record Book" award will be given to one Senior and one Junior member of the Livestock & Poultry Club.
 2. Books will be judged by NJ State 4-H personnel, based on the NJ 4-H Record Book Evaluation score sheet.
 - a. *Project Record Books that were NOT turned in to the member's Project Leader(s) by the assigned due date will NOT be sent off for evaluation by the NJ State 4-H.*
 3. Final determinations on Best Project Record Book awards will be made by Livestock & Poultry Club leader(s) and will be based on score sheet points accumulated.
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DIVISION M-2 GOATS

1. **Goat Show will take place at 6 p.m. on Friday, August 7th.** Participants must check in at the livestock barn wearing showmanship attire by 5:30 p.m.
2. **Attire for goat showmanship is:** A clean, WHITE polo shirt (tucked in), WHITE pants, brown or black belt, and clean work/farm or cowboy/girl boots. *Long hair must be pulled back into a ponytail.*
 - a. *Points will automatically be deducted from your scoresheet for wearing improper attire, though members may still be permitted to participate at the discretion of club leaders. Please note that BLUE JEANS are NOT permitted in the show ring at all—no exceptions.*
3. The goat showmanship event will be divided into 3 classes: Cloverbuds (participation and judge's comments only; they are not scored on showmanship), Junior (4-7th grade), and Senior (8-13th grade).
4. Showmanship points will be allotted by the designated goat judge and scoresheets will follow ADGA goat showmanship standards and guidelines.
5. Goat Showmanship Awards:
 - a. Awards will be based on Judge's points accumulated on the exhibitor's goat showmanship score sheet. Final decisions are at the discretion of Livestock & Poultry Club leader(s).
 - b. If at least three (3) **award-eligible** Junior members are competing, Junior awards will be given as follows: One Junior will receive a trophy for Junior Champion Goat Showman, and rosettes will be awarded for 2nd and 3rd place Junior.
 - c. If at least three (3) **award-eligible** Senior members are competing, Senior awards will be given as follows: One Senior will receive a trophy for Senior Champion Goat Showman, and rosettes will be awarded for 2nd and 3rd place Senior.
 - d. Though not eligible for 2026 awards, any animal club member who registered for 4-H and the Goat project in ZSuite after January 1st, 2026 may still be permitted to participate in the goat showmanship event for learning purposes, at the discretion of club leaders.
 - i. Goat handling instruction and practice is a prerequisite for participation in the goat showmanship event.
6. ALL livestock exhibitors are required to participate in Livestock Management (Herdsmanship).

Goat Show Classes offered:

Showmanship Classes

Goat Showmanship

1. Senior Showmanship- exhibitors in grades 8 to 13 as of September 2025

2. Junior Showmanship- exhibitors in grades 4 to 7 as of September 2025
3. Cloverbud Showmanship- exhibitors in grades K to 3 as of September 2025

Breed Classes

Dairy Breeds:

4. Standard Dairy Breeds Class (all standard dairy breeds will be shown together): Alpine, La Mancha, Nubian, Oberhasli, Saanen, and Toggenburg
5. Nigerian Dwarf
6. Grades (Recorded & Unrecorded).

Junior Dairy Goats

7. 0-12 months
8. 12-24 months- Doelings not in Milk

Senior Dairy Goats

9. 2-4 years in milk
10. 4 years and older

Meat/Fiber/Companion Goats (all to be judged using companion goat scorecard on State 4-H Goat Show website)- Miniature Silky Fainting Goats, Pygmy, Dairy Wethers, Dairy Does Over 24 Months Never Freshened, Meat Goat Wethers over 12 months of age

11. 0-12 months – born after August 7, 2025
12. 12 months and older – born on or before August 7, 2025

Additional Classes

13. Dam and Daughter- Open to all Dairy/Meat/Fiber pairs (not necessarily owned by one person). Dam and daughter must be shown in their individual classes.
14. Friends and Family Showmanship- eligible goat project members may invite 1 family member or friend to show their project goat in this class. Youth or Adult waivers for all participants need to be turned in to show committee before the start of Goat Show. Appropriate footwear is required.
15. Costume Class- members can dress in costume along with their project goat. Costumes may not cause any discomfort/stress to animals or impede their movement in any way.

Classes may be combined on the day of show as entries allow with show secretary approval.

DIVISION M-3 **STEP MEAT PRODUCTION MEMBERS ONLY**

MARKET HOGS

In addition to the Animal Health and General Livestock Rules:

1. In order to be eligible for awards, youth exhibitors must be physically present during judging and available to answer questions from the judge.
2. Correct information (species, sex, breed/cross, color, age in weeks, individual weights at check-in, and individual ID tag or microchip numbers) for all animals in each pen/exhibit **MUST** appear on all stall tags.
3. Class 1, commercial meat hog pairs **MUST**:
 - a. Have been purchased specifically for the 2026 NJ 4-H “Meat Production” STEP, under the project leader’s oversight.

- b. Minimum acceptable weight is 170lbs. and maximum weight is 300lbs. Weights will be taken upon entry and are used in the judging process.
- c. Commercial hog exhibits will be displayed as a pair (ie. 2 hogs in 1 stall = 1 exhibit). All hogs composing a pair MUST be of the same sex, breed, and age.
4. Judges will follow recommendations from Rutgers Cooperative Extension, Division of Equine and Livestock as their guide for judging all commercial market hogs.
5. Market Hog Awards:
 - a. Commercial Market Hog Awards (Class 1): If three (3) or more exhibits are entered in this class, an award will be given for Champion Market Hogs and Reserve Champion Market Hogs.

Div. L-1, Class 1: Commercial Market Hogs	See rules above. Only market hogs weighing between 170lbs and 300lbs may be entered in this Class. Market hogs shall be entered as “pairs” which consists of 2 hogs per pen/exhibit.
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HERDSMANSHIP AWARD

1. An overall Herdsmanship Award will be awarded by the livestock & poultry club leader(s) to one Senior and one Junior exhibiting livestock, at the discretion of club leader(s).

DIVISION M-4 ROUND ROBIN SHOWMANSHIP EVENT

RULES

1. ALL 4-H animal club members who are competing in ANY of the fair’s other animal showmanship events (goat, poultry, rabbit/cavy, or horse) shall be eligible for participation and awards in Round Robin Showmanship.
2. **Registration for this event will be available in the livestock barn during the Livestock Meeting on Mandatory Monday, and also by 8 p.m. on Thursday, August 6th.**
3. After registration closes, participants will be randomly assigned a species other than their primary specie(s) (ie. they will be assigned a showmanship animal species that they may be unfamiliar with). The Round Robin event will then take place the following day (Aug. 8th).
4. Members are encouraged to work with their assigned animal’s owner (or lessor) to practice showmanship/handling skills and learn the information they will need to present to the judge, though independent study and practice may be required. *Members may not handle their assigned animal or remove it from its housing without the permission and supervision of the owner.*
5. Members are encouraged to wear the specified attire that corresponds with the animal they will be showing. Minimum attire will include a clean pair of blue jeans with belt, a tucked in polo or button down shirt, clean work/farm or cowboy/girl boots, and long hair pulled back into a ponytail.
6. **Round Robin showmanship will take place at 10 a.m. on Saturday, August 8th.** Participants must check in at the livestock barn wearing showmanship attire by 9:30 a.m.

7. The round robin showmanship event will be divided into 3 classes: Cloverbuds (participation and judge's comments only; they are not scored on showmanship), Junior (4-8th grade), and Senior (9-13th grade).
 8. Judging will be carried out by a panel of judges representing each animal species at the fair. Scoresheet points will be allotted based on the showmanship skills, handling skills, and knowledge that pertain to the assigned species.
 9. Round Robin Showmanship Awards:
 - a. Will be based on scoresheet points accumulated. Final decisions will be made by Livestock & Poultry Club leader(s).
 - b. One Junior member will receive a rosette for Junior Overall Champion Showman, and one Senior member will receive a rosette for Senior Overall Champion Showman.
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DIVISION M-5 – POULTRY

GENERAL RULES

In addition to the Animal Health Rules and 4-H Fair General Rules:

1. Birds may be washed and groomed as needed prior to exhibiting, but must arrive at the Fair CLEAN and DRY.
2. **Coop-in for ALL poultry will take place from 5-8 p.m. on Wednesday, August 5th.** Late coop-in by 7a.m. on Thursday morning, August 6th is permitted ONLY if prearranged with poultry project leaders.
3. Stamped poultry health checklists MUST be presented to club leaders before unloading your birds.
4. Coop space for poultry is limited, and preference will be given to members who are registered for poultry as their primary animal project. All coops will be pre-assigned and arranged according to Division/Class.
5. Unregistered POULTRY are not permitted at the fair and cannot be housed anywhere on the fairgrounds at any time, for any length of time, or under any circumstances. ***See Livestock Auction Rules for any exceptions to this statement.*
6. Due to increased risk of "handling injury" in broiler/meat poultry, use of a meat bird for the showmanship event is not permitted.
7. **Any animal club member and/or STEP participant** wishing to exhibit poultry, show poultry in competition, and be eligible for poultry awards MUST be an animal club member in "good standing" as per their respective club's constitution and bylaws. *STEP participants who wish to exhibit in the commercial egg production or broiler divisions must meet all of the requirements of their respective STEP.* At minimum, s/he MUST have:
 - a. Been a registered member of their club and/or STEP (in ZSuite) as of January 1, 2026 and have their project animal(s) registered by May 1, 2026.
 - b. Attended at least 70% of their club and/or STEP's regular meetings
 - c. Given a county level 4-H public presentation (Juniors and Seniors). Participating in the Favorite Foods Show counts towards this requirement.
 - d. Complied with Atlantic County 4-H fundraising requirements
 - e. Participated in the previous year's post-fair Sunday morning barn clean-up (if applicable) AND attended the current year's pre-fair Livestock Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Mandatory Monday, August 3rd.

- f. Completed a full project record book for their primary animal project AND, for any additional animal projects, completed a full project record book OR an Atlantic County 4-H approved record book addendum for each additional animal project area.
 - i. Project/record books are not mandatory for Cloverbuds.
- 8. Though not eligible for 2026 awards, any member who registered for 4-H and the Poultry project in ZSuite after January 1st, 2026 may still be permitted to participate in the poultry showmanship event for learning purposes, at the discretion of club leaders.
 - a. Poultry handling instruction and practice is a prerequisite for participation in the poultry showmanship event.
- 9. **FANCY POULTRY DIVISION:** ALL fancy poultry exhibits are judged together based on their own merit; all entries are eligible for ribbons/rosettes, no matter the member's age (Cloverbud, Junior, or Senior).
 - a. **Any Atlantic County 4-H member in good standing is permitted to register birds in the FANCY POULTRY division for exhibition ONLY. Their exhibits will be included in the judging as long as all Animal Health and Welfare rules and all Poultry General Rules are followed.**
 - b. General 4-H members will be permitted to coop-in their birds ONLY if extra space is available, at the discretion of poultry project leaders. If no coop space is available, exhibitors will be notified before fair.
 - c. *Entering birds as an exhibit in the fancy poultry division does not automatically give a 4-H member the privilege to participate and/or receive awards in poultry showmanship (see Rule #8, above).*
- 10. **Poultry showmanship will take place at 10 a.m. on Thursday, August 6th.** Participants must arrive at the fairgrounds no later than 8 a.m., have their birds fed/watered/cared for, and be in showmanship attire by 9:30 a.m.
- 11. **Attire for poultry showmanship is:** A clean, white polo shirt (tucked in), khaki pants, brown or black belt, and clean work/farm or cowboy/girl boots. *Long hair must be pulled back* into a ponytail. Optional but strongly recommended attire for poultry showmanship includes a white, full-length lab coat.
 - a. *Points will automatically be deducted from your scoresheet for wearing improper attire, though members may still be permitted to participate at the discretion of club leaders. Please note that BLUE JEANS are NOT permitted at all for poultry showmanship—no exceptions.*
- 12. The event will be based on the standards, guidelines, and 15 handling skills outlined in the [National 4-H Poultry Fitting and Showmanship Member's Guide](#). Showmanship points will be allotted by the designated poultry judge.
- 13. **Poultry Showmanship Awards:**
 - a. Awards will be based on Judge's points accumulated on the exhibitor's poultry showmanship score sheet. Final decisions are at the discretion of poultry project leader(s).
 - b. If at least three (3) **award-eligible** Junior members are competing, Junior awards will be given as follows: One Junior will receive a rosette for Junior Champion Poultry Showman, and rosettes will be awarded for 2nd and 3rd place Junior.
 - c. If at least three (3) **award-eligible** Senior members are competing, Senior awards will be given as follows: One Senior will receive a rosette for Senior Champion Poultry Showman, and rosettes will be awarded for 2nd and 3rd place Senior.
- 14. Poultry exhibits may NOT be removed until 6 a.m. on Sunday, August 9th. Coop Managers will be on duty to enforce this rule; ANY violations will NOT be permitted to participate in the 2026 4-H Fair.
- 15. ALL poultry exhibitors are required to participate in Coop Management/Tending.

COOP TENDER AWARD

1. An overall Coop Tender Award will be awarded to one Senior and one Junior exhibiting poultry, at the discretion of poultry project leader(s).

DIVISION M-6 **STEP MEAT PRODUCTION MEMBERS ONLY** **COMMERCIAL/MARKET (MEAT) POULTRY**

In addition to the Animal Health and General Poultry Rules:

1. In order to be eligible for awards, youth exhibitors must be physically present during judging and available to answer questions from the poultry judge.
2. Correct information (species, sex, breed/cross, color, age in weeks, individual weights at check-in, and leg band ID numbers) for each pen/exhibit **MUST** appear on all Coop Tags.
3. Class 1, commercial meat birds/broiler trios **MUST**:
 - a. Have been purchased and distributed to members through the “Meat Production” STEP.
 - b. Minimum acceptable weight is 4lbs. and maximum weight is 11lbs. Weights will be taken upon entry and are used in the judging process.
 - c. Commercial broiler poultry exhibits will be displayed as a “trio” (i.e. 3 meat birds in one pen = 1 exhibit). All birds composing a trio **MUST** be of the same sex, breed, and age.
4. Class 2, commercial market turkeys, ducks, and geese must:
 - a. Be declared as an intent to participate by May 1st.
5. Judges will follow the [National 4-H Poultry Judging Manual](#) as their guide for judging all commercial meat poultry.
6. Market Poultry Awards:
 - a. Commercial Market Poultry (Broiler Trio) Awards (Class 1): If three (3) or more exhibits are entered in this class, an award will be given for Champion Broiler Trio and Reserve Champion Broiler Trio.
 - b. Commercial Market Turkeys, Ducks, and Geese (Class 2): If three (3) or more exhibits are entered in this class, an award will be given for Champion Market Poultry and Reserve Champion Market Poultry.

Class Number/Name	Entry Requirements
Class 1: Commercial Market Poultry Trio (meat birds/broilers)	See rules above. Market poultry shall be entered as a “trio” which consists of 3 birds per pen/exhibit.
Class 2: Commercial Market (meat) Turkeys, Ducks, and Geese	See rules above Market poultry other than chickens shall be entered individually (1 bird per pen/exhibit).

DIVISION M-7 **STEP EGG PRODUCTION MEMBERS ONLY**
COMMERCIAL EGG PRODUCTION POULTRY

In addition to the Animal Health and General Poultry Rules listed above:

1. In order to be eligible for awards, youth exhibitors must be physically present during judging and available to answer questions from the poultry judge.
2. All birds entered in this class MUST have been purchased and distributed to members through the "Commercial Egg Production Pullets & Fancy Poultry" STEP.
3. Correct information (species, sex, breed/cross, color, age in weeks, and leg band ID numbers) for each pen/exhibit MUST appear on all Coop Tags.
4. Commercial egg production pullet pairs MUST:
 - a. Be egg production pullets of a common commercial breed or hybrid (ie. white or brown Leghorns, hybrid sex links).
 - b. Be of the same age (in weeks), same breed/cross, and same overall color/pattern if they are in the same pen.
 - c. Be at least 17 weeks of age but no older than 24 weeks of age.
5. Pullet pairs will be judged on "future production" potential, in accordance with the [National 4-H Poultry Judging Manual](#).
6. Layer Flock Awards:
 - a. Commercial Egg Production Pullets: If three (3) or more exhibits are entered in this class, an award will be given for Champion Layer Flock and Reserve Champion Layer Flock.

Class 1: Commercial Hybrid Egg Production Pullets	Entry Requirements: See rules above. Only female birds 17-24 weeks of age may be entered in this Class. Egg production pullets shall be entered as "pairs" which consists of 2 birds per pen/exhibit.
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DIVISION M-8 – FANCY POULTRY

RULES

In addition to the Animal Health and General Poultry Rules listed above (especially General Poultry Rules #5 and 6):

1. In order for fancy poultry exhibits to be eligible for awards, youth exhibitors must be physically present during judging and available to answer questions from the poultry judge.
2. Each entry/exhibit shall consist of a single bird per coop/pen.
3. All Fancy Poultry must have been owned by the exhibitor or the exhibitor's lessor for at least 60 days prior to the Fair, AND must be a minimum of 6 months of age.
4. Correct information (species, age, sex, breed, variety, and leg/wing band ID number) for each poultry exhibit MUST appear on all Coop Tags.
 - a. Chickens: Specify if Cockerel (K), Pullet (P), Cock (C), or Hen (H)
 - b. Turkeys: Specify if Jake, Jennie, Tom, or Hen
 - c. Waterfowl: Specify if Goose, Gander, Duck, or Drake

5. Fair organizers reserve the right to correct entries or reorganize the location of any entries that may have been placed in the wrong Fancy Poultry Class by the exhibitor.
6. Judges may use the American Standard of Perfection, the Bantam Standard, and/or personal preference as their guides for judging all Fancy Poultry exhibits. Judges' decisions are FINAL.
7. Fancy Poultry Awards:
 - a. If three (3) or more exhibits are entered in any of the five (5) Fancy Poultry Classes (see table below):
 - i. An award will be given for Champion Large Fowl and Reserve Champion Large Fowl.
 - ii. An award will be given for Champion Bantam and Reserve Champion Bantam.
 - iii. An award will be given for Champion Mixed Breed and Reserve Champion Mixed Breed.
 - iv. An award will be given for Champion Waterfowl and Reserve Champion Waterfowl.
 - v. An award will be given for Champion Domestic Game Fowl and Reserve Champion Domestic Game Fowl.

Classes:

Sub-Classes:

Class 1: Purebred Large Fowl	1a: Cock (C) 1b: Hen (H) 1c: Cockerel (K) 1d: Pullet (P)
Class 2: Purebred Bantam	2a: Cock (C) 2b: Hen (H) 2c: Cockerel (K) 2d: Pullet (P)
Class 3: Mixed Breed (Either Large Fowl or Bantam)	3a: Cock (C) 3b: Hen (H) 3c: Cockerel (K) 3d: Pullet (P)
Class 4: Waterfowl	4a: Ducks 4b: Geese
Class 5: Domestic Game Fowl	5a: Turkeys 5b: Guinea Fowl 5c: Pigeons & Doves 5d: Emus 5e: Pea Fowl

DIVISION M-9 - EXOTIC & CAPTIVE GAME BIRDS

In addition to the Animal Health and General Poultry Rules listed above:

1. See Rule #18 under "Livestock and Poultry Animal Health Rules": ALL livestock and poultry deemed "exotic" by the NJ Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) MUST have a DEP Permit for Possession.

2. In order to be eligible for awards, youth exhibitors must be physically present during judging and available to answer questions from the poultry judge.
3. Each entry/exhibit shall consist of a single bird per coop/pen.
4. All birds must have been owned by the exhibitor or the exhibitor's lessor for at least 60 days prior to the Fair, AND must be a minimum of 5 months of age.
5. Correct information (species, age, sex, breed, variety, and leg/wing band ID number) for each exhibit MUST appear on all Coop Tags.
6. Judges' decisions are FINAL.
7. Exotic & Captive Game Bird Awards:
 - a. If three (3) or more exhibits are entered in this class, an award will be given for Champion Exotic Game Bird and Reserve Champion Exotic Game Bird.

Class 1: Exotic Game Birds	Sub-Classes: 1a: Quail 1b: Pheasant 1c: Partridge 1d: Grouse 1e: Wild Turkey
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DIVISION N - MARKET EGGS

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules:

1. Eggs will be judged in the poultry (rabbit) barn on Thursday, August 6—egg exhibits must be entered during the poultry barn coop-in which will take place from 5-8 p.m. on Wednesday, August 5. Late entries received by 7am on Thursday morning, August 6th are permitted **ONLY** if prearranged with Livestock and Poultry Club leaders.
 - a. After egg judging is finished, exhibits will be moved into the main building for display to the public.
2. Youth exhibitors **MUST** be an Atlantic County 4-H member in "Good Standing." S/he must have:
 - a. Been a registered 4-H member as of January 1, 2026
 - b. Attended at least 70% of their primary club's meetings and/or activities
 - c. Given a county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines. Participating in the Favorite Foods Show also counts towards this requirement.
3. Weigh eggs at home using a digital kitchen scale before entering them. The color and size of the eggs (pee wee, small, medium, large, extra large, or jumbo) must be noted in the **TITLE** of the exhibit and there will be a points deduction for eggs that are improperly titled. See size classes and example below.
4. Judges may follow the [National 4-H Poultry Judging Manual](#) and/or the [USDA Egg Grading Manual](#) for evaluating the exterior and interior quality of all market egg exhibits.
5. Judges' decisions are FINAL.
6. Junior and Senior entries will be judged together using the Danish system.
7. Egg Awards:
 - a. If three (3) or more exhibits are entered in either of the two (2) classes below, awards will be given for 1st - 3rd place Large Eggs and 1st - 3rd place Small Eggs. Cloverbud members will **NOT** be judged but comments may be received.

Class 1: Eggs	Entry Requirements: Each entry will consist of a half-dozen chicken eggs. Up to (4) entries per exhibitor is permitted. Eggs must be washed. Eggs must be displayed on 6-egg tray (please transport them in secure cartons; display trays will be provided). All 6 eggs per exhibit must be of the same color and approximate weight (in ounces, using a kitchen scale). Each exhibit's TITLE must include the correct egg color and size (ie. "Half Doz. Medium Blue Eggs," "Half Doz. Large Tan Eggs") Eggs must be farm-raised by the exhibitor.
Sub-Class 1a: Half-Dozen "Large" Eggs (Large, Extra Large, or Jumbo)	Standard Egg Sizes (not including weight of carton): • Jumbo: >180oz per ½ dozen (>2.5oz per egg) • Extra Large (XL): ~162oz per ½ dozen (approx. 2.25oz/egg) • Large (L): ~144oz per ½ dozen (approx. 2oz/egg)
Sub-Class 1b: Half-Dozen "Small" Eggs (PeeWee, Small, or Medium)	• Medium (M): ~126oz per ½ dozen (approx. 1.75oz/egg) • Small (S): ~108oz per ½ dozen (approx. 1.5 oz/egg) • Peewee: <90oz per ½ dozen (<1.5 oz/egg)



DIVISION O – MARKET AUCTION

2026 MARKET ANIMAL AUCTION RULES AND INSTRUCTIONS

Please read carefully before registering animals for the auction!

In addition to the [Animal Health and Welfare Rules](#) listed in the 2026 fair catalog:

1. In accordance with the mission of the Atlantic County 4-H Youth Development Program, the purpose of this public auction is to help youth acquire life skills such as responsibility, work ethic, and financial literacy. Sponsored by the Livestock and Poultry Club, this event is intended exclusively for food animals that have been part of a youth's 4-H project during the 2025/26 4-H year.
2. The auction will be held at 12pm on Friday, August 7th, behind the livestock barn at the Atlantic County 4-H Fairgrounds, 3210 Rt. 50, Mays Landing, NJ 08330.
3. General questions from the public regarding auction details should be directed to Erin Sharpe (email: erinmariesharpe@gmail.com) or Dr. Suzanna Vaino (email: Starla4270@hotmail.com)
4. All youth members must represent the mission and spirit of Atlantic County 4-H by presenting themselves professionally and dressing appropriately during the auction.
5. All animals are required to be housed continuously on the member's property (or the lessor's property in the case of a lease/borrow agreement) since the date of birth/hatch OR beginning at least 8 weeks prior to the auction.
6. Members must transport their animals to the fairgrounds in a safe and secure container, but are not responsible for providing these items to buyers. Buyers must bring their own crates/boxes/cages/trailers for pickup and transport to their destination.
7. This is a FOOD ANIMAL auction only; animals not intended for meat, milk, eggs, fiber, or poultry will not be auctioned. The following types of food animals will be accepted:
 - a. Meat poultry (i.e. Cornish Cross broilers)
 - b. "Ready-to-Lay" commercial pullets
 - c. Fancy poultry (non-commercial poultry, standardbred or mixed breed)

- d. Domestic game poultry (turkeys, guineas, etc.)
 - e. Waterfowl
 - f. Market hogs
 - g. Dairy goats
 - h. Meat goats
 - i. Sheep
8. All members wishing to participate in the auction must register and exhibit AT LEAST ONE of the above-listed types of food animals during the 2026 4-H Fair.
 9. Auctions can be for a single animal, or “lots” of 2, 3, or 4. Each animal or lot will be considered one “item” and each “item” will be auctioned separately.
 10. Each member can register up to 6 “items” for the auction.
 11. In order to register for the auction you will need to make a NUMBERED LIST describing the item(s) you will be offering. These descriptions will be presented to bidders.
 - a. For each item on your list, indicate whether:
 - i. The item is a single animal, two animals (or a breeding pair), a trio, or a quad
 - ii. The species
 - iii. Name of breed or cross
 - iv. Variety (if applicable) or feather/fur color or pattern
 - v. Sex
 - vi. Age (in weeks, months, or years, or indicate cock, cockerel, hen, or pullet)
 - vii. Weight (if it's a meat animal or broiler chicken)
 - viii. Eggshell color (if it lays eggs)
 - ix. The purpose of the animal(s) (eggs, meat, milk, fiber, exhibition, etc.)
 - x. Each animal's ID number (ie. ear tag, tattoo, leg band) you used to register them for fair.
For excess “ready-to-lay” pullets, broilers, or other poultry that you wish to auction but will not be on exhibit at fair: To avoid any confusion, they must still be leg or wing-banded with an ID # in order to register them for the auction.
 12. **Buyer’s Letters:** All members wishing to participate in the auction must previously compose a 1 page “buyer’s letter” (follow [this link](#) for examples) and deliver it in-person to potential buyers or businesses from the local community **at least 10 days** prior to fair.
 - a. Letters can be handwritten or typed, but each letter must have a personalized greeting (ie. Dear Mr. Jones, Mrs. Smith, XYZ Feed Store, etc.) and the member’s original signature at the bottom.
 - b. Letters must contain a description of the animal(s) the member will be auctioning, as well as the date, time, and location of the auction.
 - c. Members must have *delivered their letters in-person* to a minimum of three (3) different potential buyers/businesses.
 - d. A copy of the letter with the list of buyers written on the back (name/business name, address, phone number) **MUST** be presented to Livestock and Poultry Club leaders during the pre-fair Livestock Meeting at 6:30pm on Mandatory Monday, August 3rd, 2026.
 - i. During the Livestock Meeting, only letters that are complete *with a buyers list on the back* will receive stamped approval to register for the auction.
 - ii. *Auction approval stamps will ONLY be available from Livestock and Poultry Club leaders during the Livestock Meeting* and stamps will not be available again before fair.
 13. **The presence or absence of drug use in food animals MUST be disclosed to the public.** In compliance with New Jersey’s Commercial Feed Law (N.J.A.C. 2:68) and Sanitation Rules (N.J.A.C. 8:24), all food animals sold to the public must be accompanied by a “[Drug Use Form](#)”

[\(DUF\) for Food Animals Attending Fairs in the State of New Jersey](#),” *whether or not the individual animal, herd, flock, or colony has been treated with any drug(s).*

- a. **Drug Use Forms** must be dated as of the last date that drugs were administered prior to the start of the auction, or within 14 days before the auction if no drugs were administered. *The Drug Use Form(s) you already submitted for fair are acceptable as long as they also apply to all animal(s) you are auctioning.*
 - b. If an entire group of animals of the same species was treated with the same drug at the same time, only one form is required for the whole group. Individually-treated animals will require their own drug use form.
 - c. To determine drug withdrawal times, please visit the [USDA Food Animal Residue Avoidance Databank \(FARAD\)](#).
14. **All poultry** must have a signed [4-H Poultry, Rabbit, or Cavy Health Form](#) on file that is associated with their flock. *The one you already submitted for fair is acceptable as long as it also applies to all animal(s) you are auctioning.*
15. **All health documents, including the items in Rules #13 and 14, will be reviewed during the pre-fair Livestock and Poultry Meeting on Mandatory Monday, and if everything is complete you will receive a stamp and signature on your Animal Health Checklist.** There are separate checklists for poultry and general livestock. Depending on what you are auctioning, you may need both.
16. The online [animal registration form](#) for the auction will be open for submissions by 8am on Tuesday, August 4th and will close to submissions at 11pm on Thursday, August 6th.
- a. Along with a photo of your stamped/signed buyer’s letter, a clear photo of your stamped/signed checklist(s) must be uploaded and submitted through this form.
 - b. *Incomplete form submissions cannot be included on the auction list and will not be put on the auction block (member will be notified).*
17. Animals that will be sold but are NOT part of a fair exhibit may be **temporarily housed** at the fairgrounds on Friday morning, August 7th ONLY while awaiting the auction.
- a. These animals must be housed in a designated area away from all other animals, and must remain in this designated area at all times.
 - b. These animals **MUST** be transported off the fairgrounds by the winning bidder immediately after the auction. They may not continue to be housed at the fairgrounds after the auction has ended—no exceptions. (Buyers will be made aware of this rule before bidding begins.)
 - c. While at the fairgrounds, all non-exhibit auction animals must be housed in member-provided, well-ventilated crates/boxes/containers/secure pens, must be tended to regularly by the member, and must be cared for humanely in accordance with New Jersey’s Administrative Code (N.J.A.C.) 2:8 “[Humane Treatment of Domestic Livestock](#).”
18. Delivery of auctioned animals to buyers:
- a. *Per county rules, animals that are registered for fair and part of an exhibit must stay on the premises for the duration of the fair and may not be removed from the fairgrounds until 6 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 9th.*
 - i. Delivery of auction animals that are exhibits and DO need to stay until the end of fair: If they are for a “live animal” auction and not destined for slaughter, they can be picked up between 6-11 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 9th. *Members should arrange an actual pickup time directly with the buyer.*
 - ii. Delivery of auction animals that are not exhibits and do NOT need to stay until the end of fair: If they are for a “live animal” auction (not destined for slaughter) and are present on-site, they can be delivered to the winning bidder immediately after the auction is over (see Rule #16, above).

- iii. Meat production animals that are destined for slaughter will undergo USDA certified processing after the fair is over and arrangements will be made with the buyer for delivery/pickup of the final product(s). **All meat animals will be processed under the direction of Livestock and Poultry club leader Erin Sharpe.** *Members may not use their own independent processors--no exceptions.*
 - 19. The 4-H member will receive 90% of the sale price. 10% of the sale price will be deposited into the Atlantic County 4-H Livestock & Poultry Club's general funds and will be used to help cover costs associated with the fair auction and future animal projects.
 - 20. Under no circumstances will a 4-H member be allowed to keep his or her animal(s) and also receive payment for the sale.
 - 21. All auction sales are final.
 - 22. Proceeds from the auction will be available to 4-H members in the form of a check from the Livestock and Poultry Club after "payment in full" has been collected from all buyers, and recorded/accounted for by club leaders.
 - 23. Members **MUST** mail a handwritten "[thank you](#)" card (follow [this link](#) for examples) to all individuals or businesses who won bids on their animals (postmarked by Friday, August 14th, 2026).
 - a. Names and addresses of winning bidders will be sent to members via email.
 - b. Thanking your buyers shows appreciation for their financial support, recognizes their investment in the Atlantic County 4-H Youth Development Program, builds strong community ties, and encourages them to return and support the program in the future. *Therefore, failure to thank your winning bidder(s) in writing for their support of your 4-H project(s) will result in loss of participation privileges at next year's fair auction.*
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DIVISION P – CAVIES

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

- 1. Club members exhibiting or showing **MUST** be a 4-H member in "Good Standing" according to the state 4-H standards as follows. S/he must have:
 - a. Been registered member as of January 1, 2026
 - b. Attend at least 70% of regular club meetings and/or activities.
 - c. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
 - d. ALL members **MUST** have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
 - e. Been responsible for the physical care/training of animals to the fullest extent possible.
 - f. Completed and turned in a project record book for each species exhibiting.
- 2. All cavies exhibited must have a completed 4-H Poultry, Rabbits, or Cavy Health Form.
 - a. The 4-H Poultry, Rabbit, or Cavy Health Form must be turned in during pre-Fair judging. Check with your club leader for more information.
- 3. Animals must be kept clean while on exhibit.
- 4. Members **MUST** be present for ALL judging.

5. Best of Breed and Reserve Best of Breed will be awarded pending the number of entries.
6. ALL classes will be judged by breed.

Class Number/Name	Class Description	Entry Requirements
Class 1: Cavy, Jr. Sow	Under 4 months old, weighing 12-22 ounces	See rules above
Class 2: Cavy, Jr. Boar	Under 4 months old, weighing 12-22 ounces	See rules above
Class 3: Cavy, Intermediate Sow	Up to 6 months old, weighing 22-30 ounces	See rules above
Class 4: Cavy, Intermediate Boar	Up to 6 months old, weighing 223-30 ounces	See rules above
Class 5: Cavy, Sr. Sow	6 months or older, weighing over 30 ounces	See rules above
Class 6: Cavy, Sr. Boar	6 months or older weight over 30 ounces	See rules above
Class 7: Cavy, litter with or without Sow		See rules above

DIVISION Q – RABBITS

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. Club members exhibiting or showing **MUST** be a 4-H member in “Good Standing” according to the state 4-H standards as follows. S/he must have:
 - a. Been registered member as of January 1, 2026
 - b. Attend at least 70% of regular club meetings and/or activities.
 - c. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
 - d. ALL members **MUST** have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
 - e. Been responsible for the physical care/training of animals to the fullest extent possible.
 - f. Completed and turned in a project record book for each species exhibiting.
2. All rabbits exhibited must have a completed 4-H Poultry, Rabbits, or Cavy Health Form.
 - a. The 4-H Poultry, Rabbit, or Cavy Health Form must be turned in during pre-Fair judging. Check with your club leader for more information.
3. Animals must be kept clean while on exhibit.
4. Members must be present for judging.
5. Best of Breed and Reserve Best of Breed will be awarded pending the number of entries.

6. ALL classes will be judged by breed.

Class Number/Name	Class Description	Entry Requirements
Class 1: Rabbit, Doe & Litter	At least 1 month old, but not over 8 weeks old, with at least three young.	See rules above
Class 2: Rabbit, Junior Buck	At least 3 months old, but under 6 months old.	See rules above
Class 3: Rabbit, Junior Doe	At least 3 months old, but under 6 months old	See rules above
Class 4: Rabbit, Intermediate Buck	At least 6 months old, but under 8 months old. Intermediate Buck and Doe will ONLY be in the following breeds: California, Checkered Giant, Giant Chinchilla, Crème D' Argent, Flemish Giant, English Lop, French Lop, Palomino, Satin, and New Zealand	See rules above
Class 5: Rabbit, Intermediate Doe	At least 6 months old, but under 8 months old. Intermediate Buck and Doe will ONLY be in the following breeds: California, Checkered Giant, Giant Chinchilla, Crème D' Argent, Flemish Giant, English Lop, French Lop, Palomino, Satin, and New Zealand	See rules above
Class 6: Rabbit, Senior Buck	8 months and older	See rules above
Class 7: Rabbit, Senior Doe	8 months and older	See rules above
Class 8: Rabbit, Meat Pen	A meat pen must consist of three (3) rabbits of the same breed, variety, and approximate age. Rabbits don't have to be littermates, but they need to be as uniform as possible in all aspects. Cannot be over 10 weeks of age and must weigh between 3½ and 5½ lbs. Rabbits can be of purebred breed or mixed breed, but need to look as similar as possible in appearance, size, and condition. Judging will be determined by uniformity, weight, meat type, and overall physical condition.	See rules above

DIVISION R – SMALL ANIMALS

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. Club members exhibiting or showing MUST be a 4-H member in "Good Standing" according to the state 4-H standards as follows. S/he must have:

- a. Been registered member as of January 1, 2026.
 - b. Attend at least 70% of regular club meetings and/or activities.
 - c. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
 - d. ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
 - e. Been responsible for the physical care/training of animals to the fullest extent possible.
 - f. Completed and turned in a project record book for each species exhibiting.
2. All small animals exhibited must have a completed 4-H Poultry, Rabbits, or Cavy Health Form.
 - a. The 4-H Poultry, Rabbit, or Cavy Health Form must be turned in pre-Fair judging. Check with your club leader for more information.
 - b. All small animals deemed “exotic” must have a Permit for Possession as required by the Department of Fish, Game, and Wildlife
 3. Animals must be kept clean while on exhibit.
 4. Members MUST be present for judging.
 5. Best of Breed and Reserve Best of Breed will be awarded pending the number of entries.
 6. All classes will be judged by breed

Class Number/Name	Class Description	Entry Requirements
Class 1: Junior Female	Under 4 months of age	See rules above
Class 2: Junior Male	Under 4 months of age	See rules above
Class 3: Senior Female	Over 4 months of age	See rules above
Class 4: Senior Male	Over 4 months of age	See rules above

DIVISION S - HERPETOLOGY

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. Club members exhibiting or showing MUST be a 4-H member in “Good Standing” according to the state 4-H standards as follows. S/he must have:
 - a. Been registered member as of January 1, 2026.
 - b. Attend at least 70% of regular club meetings and/or activities.
 - c. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
 - d. ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
 - e. Been responsible for the physical care/training of animals to the fullest extent possible.

- f. Completed and turned in a project record book for each species exhibiting.
2. All herpetology exhibited must have a completed 4-H Poultry, Rabbits, or Cavy Health Form.
 - a. The 4-H Poultry, Rabbit, or Cavy Health Form must be turned in during pre-Fair judging. Check with your club leader for more information.
 - b. All herpetology are deemed exotic and MUST have a Permit for Possession as required by the Department of Fish, Game, and Wildlife
3. Animals must be kept clean while on exhibit.
4. Members MUST be present for judging.
5. Best of Breed and Reserve Best of Breed will be awarded pending the number of entries.
6. All classes will be judged by breed.
7. All herpetology must have the following items. These things are required for judging:
 - a. Color photos of the animal's habitat at the exhibitor's home
 - b. Species specific information page or card (in page protector) with exhibit describing species, natural habitat, Latin name, gender, and age.

Class Number/Name	Class Description	Entry Requirements
Class 1: Junior Female	Under 4 months of age	See rules above
Class 2: Junior Male	Under 4 months of age	See rules above
Class 3: Senior Female	Over 4 months of age	See rules above
Class 4: Senior Male	Over 4 months of age	See rules above

DIVISION T – SMALL ANIMAL POSTER CONTEST

OBJECTIVE: To inform the public about best care practices, show practices, breeds, current events, etc. that relate to the Small Animal project area.

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs.4-5):

RULES

1. Participants must be an active Whisker, Whistle, & Wabbits member (in good standing).
 - a. Must attend 70% of meetings.
 - b. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
 - c. ALL members **MUST** have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
2. Poster content must deal with the Small Animal project area (Rabbits, Cavy, Small Animal, & Herpetology).
3. Poster Board, Foam Board, or Display board in any size larger than 8" x 11" may be used. Tailor your poster size to the amount of content you are putting on (do not overcrowd or leave big blank spaces).

4. Posters must be turned in the evening of Fair check-in with all other projects at the Small Animal barn after 6 p.m.
5. Make sure to verify information. Check & double check. Include source list for the information on a separate piece of paper or write it on the back of the poster.
6. Members are **REQUIRED** to write their name (first & last) on the back of the poster and include their grade of school just completed.
7. Members are encouraged to have fun and think outside the box. There is a ton of information out there about the Small Animal project area (care, use, housing, show, commercial, diseases, etc.)

DIVISION U – HORSES

General Rules and definitions of this book apply. Rules for the Horse Division can be found in the Atlantic County 4-H Fair Horse Show Rulebook and Activity Guide, if available.

DIVISION V – MODEL HORSE

OBJECTIVE: The primary objective of the 4-H Model Horse Project is an educational tool for teaching 4-H'ers about horses. Through the Model Horse Project, members learn about breeds, colors, gaits, tack, and show ring activities. This project also allows members to use their artistic talents in the remaking of models, construction of tack, and the designing and building of backdrops. The Model Horse Program also provides a venue for "horseless" club members to participate in a "horse show."

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. Exhibits will be judged Thursday, August 6, at 7 p.m. Entries must be brought to the 4-H Center on Thursday, August 6, from 6-6:30 p.m. Your model will be assigned a tag number at registration. Place your assigned number on one side of the tag and horse name and breed on the other side.
2. Open to all registered 4-H members.
3. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
4. ALL members **MUST** have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
5. Models can only enter in 1 (one) class. Scene Class maximum of 2 (two) entries per exhibitor. Halter Class maximum of 4 (four) entries per exhibitor.
6. Danish ribbons will be awarded.

Class Name/Number	Class Name	Entry Requirements
Class 1: Cloverbud	Open Scene	See rules above
Class 2: Junior/Senior	Open Scene	See rules above

Class 3: Cloverbud	Light Horse	See rules above
Class 4: Junior/Senior	Light Horse	See rules above
Class 5: Cloverbud	Heavy/Draft Horse	See rules above
Class 6: Junior/Senior	Heavy/Draft Horse	See rules above
Class 7: Cloverbud	Color Breed	See rules above
Class 8: Junior/Senior	Color Breed	See rules above
Class 9: Cloverbud	Customized by Exhibitor	See rules above
Class 10: Junior/Senior	Customized by Exhibitor	See rules above

DIVISION W - DOGS

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. Exhibitor must have attended 70% of business and training meetings.
2. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. Cloverbud members can do a club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
3. ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
4. Exhibitor must have completed dog training.
5. Exhibitor must have proof of rabies vaccination.
6. Exhibitor must have dog on leash when in the show ring.

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Class Number/Name		
Class 1: Obedience Trials – Beginner	See rules above	
Class 2: Obedience Trials – Graduate Beginner	See rules above	
Class 3: Obedience Trials – Novice	See rules above	
Class 4: Obedience Trials – Graduate Novice	See rules above	
Class 5: Obedience Trials – Rally	See rules above	

DIVISION X – TAE KWON DO

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. Only regularly enrolled 4-H Tae Kwon Do members are eligible to exhibit.
2. Members must attempt new learning experiences in each successive section and level.
3. Members will receive a ribbon and award corresponding to judging for each section/level.
4. Outstanding exhibits will receive Honorable Mention rosettes in their Junior and Senior division.
 - a. Honorable Mention rosettes must have received an Excellent rating.
5. All members (Cloverbud/Junior/Senior) who participate will receive a special ribbon.
6. Members in grades K-3 as of September 2025 are considered Cloverbud division. Members in grades 4-7 as of September 2025 are considered to be junior division. Members in grades 8-13 as of September 2025 are considered to be senior division.
7. All members are required to submit their Tae Kwon Do Club guidebook for review at time exhibit.
8. Members will be judged on categories based on forms, demonstrations, technical skills, breaking techniques, self-confidence, interpersonal skills, and self-defense techniques based on review at time of exhibit.
9. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
10. ALL members **MUST** have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.

LEVEL 1

Class Name/Number	Class Description	Entry Requirements
Level 1 – White Belt Class 1: White Belt Form	Low: tiger one Middle: tiger two High: tiger three	See rules above
Level 1 – White Belt Class 3: Breaking Technique	Low: elbow strike Middle: front thrust kick High: flying side kick	See rules above
Level 1 – White Belt Class 4: Terminology	Korean/English terminology related to Tae Kwon Do	See rules above
Level 1 – White Belt Class 5: Self Confidence	Demonstrated through proper body positioning/ability to vocalize commands and demonstrating a command presence	See rules above
Level 1 – White Belt Class 6: Interpersonal Skills	Demonstrating ability to communicate thought and deed to other club members and judges	See rules above
Level 1 – White Belt Class 7: Self Defense Techniques	Low/Middle: basic one step sparring techniques High: white high belt one step sparring techniques	See rules above

LEVEL 2

Level 2 – Yellow Belt Class 1: Yellow Belt Form	Low: Palgwe I1 Jang Middle: Palgwe E Jang/Palgwe Sa Jang	See rules above
Level 2 – Yellow Belt Class 2: Technical Skills	Low: basic blocks and side kick Middle: basic blocks and flying sidekick High: basic blocks and double round house kick	See rules above
Level 2 – Yellow Belt Class 3: Breaking Technique	Low: flying side kick Middle: flying side kick High: side kick	See rules above
Level 2 – Yellow Belt Class 4: Terminology	Korean/English terminology related to Tae Kwon Do	See rules above
Level 2 – Yellow Belt Class 5: Self-Confidence	Demonstrated through proper body positioning/ability to vocalize commands and demonstrating a command presence	See rules above
Level 2—Yellow Belt Class 6: Interpersonal Skills	Demonstrating ability to communicate thought and deed to other club members and judges.	See rules above
Level 2 – Yellow Belt Class 7: Self Defense Techniques	Low/Middle: basic yellow belt one step sparring techniques High: yellow high belt one step sparring techniques	See rules above

LEVEL 3

Level 3 – Green Belt Class 1: Green Belt Form	Low: Palgwe Sa Jang Middle: Tae Juek I1 Jang High: Tae Juek E Jang	See rules above
Level 3 – Green Belt Class 2: Technical Skills	Low: basic blocks and back fist Middle: basic blocks and hammer fist High: basic blocks and palm heel strike and back side kick	See rules above
Level 3 – Green Belt Class 3: Breaking Technique	Low: punch/back fist and side kick Middle: punch/back fist and side kick punch/back fist and back side kick	See rules above
Level 3 – Green Belt Class 4: Terminology	Korean/English terminology related to Tae Kwon Do	See rules above
Level 3 – Green Belt Class 5: Self-Confidence	Demonstrated through proper body positioning/ability to vocalize commands and demonstrating a command presence	See rules above
Level 3 – Green Belt Class 6: Interpersonal Skills	Demonstrating ability to communicate thought and deed to other club members and judges	See rules above
Level 3 – Green Belt Class 7: Self Defense Techniques	Low/Middle: basic green belt one step sparring techniques High: green high belt one step sparring techniques	See rules above

LEVEL 4

Level 4 – Blue Belt Class 1: Blue Belt Form	Low: Palgwe O Jang Middle: Palgwe Yuek Jang High: Palgwe Chill Jang	See rules above
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Level 4 – Blue Belt Class 2: Technical Skills	Low: basic blocks and jump front thrust kick Middle: triple punch and jump spin kick High: hook kick and jump spin kick	See rules above
Level 4 – Blue Belt Class 3: Breaking Technique	Low: triple punch and jump front thrust kick Middle: triple punch and jump spin kick High: hook kick and jump spin kick	See rules above
Level 4 – Blue Belt Class 4: Terminology	Korean/English terminology related to Tae Kwon Do	See rules above
Level 4 – Blue Belt Class 5: Self Confidence	Demonstrated through proper body positioning/ability to vocalize commands and demonstrating a command presence	See rules above
Level 4 – Blue Belt Class 6: Interpersonal Skills	Demonstrating ability to communicate thought and deed to other club members and judges	See rules above
Level 4 – Blue Belt Class 7: Self Defense Techniques	Low/Middle: basic blue belt one step sparring techniques High: blue high belt one step sparring techniques	See rules above

LEVEL 5

Level 5 – Red Belt Class 1: Red Belt Form	Low: tae juek sam jang/tae juek sa jang Middle: Palgwe Pal Jang High: Koryo	See rules above
Level 5 – Red Belt Class 2: Technical Skills	Low: basic blocks and jump back side kick Middle: basic blocks and switch round house High: basic blocks spinning hook kick	See rules above
Level 5 – Red Belt Class 3: Breaking Technique	Low: triple punch and jump front thrust kick Middle: triple punch and jump spin kick High: basic blocks and hook kick	See rules above
Level 5 – Red Belt Class 4: Terminology	Korean/English terminology related to Tae Kwon Do	See rules above
Level 5 – Red Belt Class 5: Self Confidence	Demonstrated through proper body positioning/ability to vocalize commands and demonstrating a command presence	See rules above
Level 5 – Red Belt Class 6: Interpersonal Skills	Demonstrating ability to communicate thought and deed to other club members and judges	See rules above
Level 5 – Red Belt Class 7: Self Defense Techniques	Low/Middle: basic red belt one step sparring techniques High: red high belt one step sparring techniques	See rules above

LEVEL 6

Level 6 – Black Belt (First Dan) Class 1: Black belt first dan form	Koryo	See rules above
Level 6 – Black Belt (First Dan) Class 2: Technical Skills	all listed above and including back spinning round house kick	See rules above
Level 6 – Black Belt (First Dan) Class 3: Breaking Technique	double fist break of patio blocks and/or tiles and elevated kick breaking techniques	See rules above
Level 6 – Black Belt (First Dan) Class 4: Terminology	Korean/English terminology related to Tae Kwon Do	See rules above
Level 6 – Black Belt (First Dan) Class 5: Self Confidence	Demonstrated through proper body positioning/ability to vocalize commands and demonstrating a command presence	See rules above

Level 6 – Black Belt (First Dan) Class 6: Interpersonal Skills	Demonstrating the ability to communicate thought and deed to other club members and judges	See rules above
Level 6 – Black Belt (First Dan) Class 7: Self Defense Techniques	all listed above self-techniques and Hap Ki Do techniques	See rules above

LEVEL 7

Level 7 – Black Belt (Second Dan) Class 1: Second Degree Black Belt Form	Kuemgang (and all Palgwe/Tae Juek/ Koryo forms	See rules above
Level 7 – Black Belt (Second Dan) Class 2: Technical Skills	all listed above and including double split kick	See rules above
Level 7 – Black Belt (Second Dan) Class 3: Breaking Technique	palm heel strike to multiple patio blocks or tile and elevated breaking techniques	See rules above
Level 7 – Black Belt (Second Dan) Class 4: Terminology	Korean/English terminology related to Tae Kwon Do	See rules above
Level 7 – Black Belt (Second Dan) Class 5: Self Confidence	Demonstrated through proper body positioning/ability to vocalize commands and demonstrates a command presence	See rules above
Level 7 – Black Belt (Second Dan) Class 6: Interpersonal Skills	Demonstrating the ability to communicate thought and deed to other club members and judges. Taking on teaching/leading roles of club responsibilities.	See rules above
Level 7 – Black Belt (Second Dan) Class 7: Self Defense Techniques	all listed above self-defense techniques and Hap Ki Do techniques	See rules above

LEVEL 8

Level 8 – Black Belt (Third Dan) Class 1: Third Degree Black Belt Form	Taebek and all Palgwe/Tae Juek/Koryo/Huemgang forms	See rules above
Level 8 – Black Belt (Third Dan) Class 2: Technical Skills	all listed above and including double split kick	See rules above
Level 8 – Black Belt (Third Dan) Class 3: Breaking Technique	palm heel strike to multiple patio blocks or tile and elevated breaking techniques	See rules above
Level 8 – Black Belt (Third Dan) Class 4: Terminology	Korean/English terminology related to Tae Kwon Do	See rules above
Level 8 – Black Belt (Third Dan) Class 5: Self Confidence	Demonstrated through proper body positioning/ability to vocalize commands and demonstrates a command presence	See rules above
Level 8 – Black Belt (Third Dan) Class 6: Interpersonal Skills	Demonstrating the ability to communicate thought and deed to other club members and judges. Taking on teaching/leading roles of club responsibilities.	See rules above
Level 8 – Black Belt (Third Dan) Class 7: Self Defense	all listed above self-defense techniques and Hap Ki Do techniques	See rules above

DIVISION Y – BATON TWIRLING

OBJECTIVES

1. To gain confidence by performing twirling routines in front of an audience.
2. To learn skills in twirling and have fun at the same time.
3. To develop skills in choreography, timing, and planning in creating twirling routines.

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. To participate in the twirling demonstrations during the Fair, you must be a member of good standing of the baton 4-H club.
 - a. Attend at least 70% of all club meetings and functions.
 - b. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
 - c. ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
 2. Participants will receive baton specific participation ribbons.
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DIVISION Z – CLOGGING

OBJECTIVES

1. To gain confidence by performing clogging routines in front of an audience.
2. To learn skills in clogging and fun at the same time.
3. To develop skills in choreography, timing, and planning in creating clogging routines.

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pgs. 4-5):

1. To participate in the clogging demonstrations during the Fair, you must be a member of good standing of the clogging 4-H club.
 - a. Attend at least 70% of all club meetings and functions.
 - b. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. Cloverbud members must do a county or club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.
 - c. ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
 2. Participates will receive clogging specific participation ribbons.
 - 3.
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DIVISION AA – SHOOTING SPORTS

OBJECTIVES

1. To encourage participation in natural and related natural science programs by exposing participants to contents through shooting, hunting, and related activities.

2. To enhance the development of self-esteem, character, and personal growth through safe, educational, and socially acceptable involvement in a shooting activity.
3. To teach safe and responsible use of firearms, archery, and other shooting equipment, including sound decision making, self-discipline, and concentration.
4. To promote the highest standards of safety, sportsmanship, and ethical behavior.
5. To expose participants to the broad array of vocational and life-long avocational activities related to shooting sports.
6. To strengthen families through participation in life-long recreational activities.
7. To complement and enhance the impact of existing safety, shooting, and hunter education programs using experimental educational methods and progressive development of skills and abilities.
8. Expand 4-H membership and involve additional adult volunteers.
9. Maintain and expand a state level committee of Nationally Trained and Certified 4-H Shooting Sports Instructors.

RULES

In addition to General Rules and Special Entry Rules (refer to pages 4-5):

1. To participate in the shooting sports demonstrations during the Fair, you must be a member of good standing of the shooting sports 4-H club.
 - a. Attend at least 70% of all club meetings and functions.
 - b. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show.
 - c. ALL members **MUST** have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
 2. MUST have a full understanding of ALL safety regulations.
 3. Participates will receive a shooting sports specific participation ribbon.
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DIVISION AB – ORGANIZED 4-H CLUB BOOTH EXHIBITS

NOTE: Valuable items should NOT be included in the display, as insurance will NOT cover any loss. Fair Association will provide tri-folds for booth exhibits.

RULES

1. Clubs may start setting up and working on their club booth exhibits starting Saturday, August 1, and MUST be completed by 9 p.m. Thursday, August 6.
2. All clubs that register by the deadline of Saturday, July 18, will receive a \$25 premium. Clubs that DO NOT pre-register by the deadline are NOT eligible to receive the premium, but may be eligible to win award money.
3. Tri-fold display boards will be provided to clubs. In order to request a display board, clubs must pre-register by July 18.
4. The display will be judged as a WHOLE. NO product in the display will be eligible for individual awards.

5. Members will plan and set up their own booth displays with guidance and help from their leaders with the display board. Members **MUST** do the rest of the set-up.
6. Displays will be judged by the following criteria:
 - a. Power to attract and hold attention.
 - b. Well-organized educational lesson or brief promotional message presented clearly.
 - c. General appearance and quality of work.
 - d. Originality and effort.
7. Club booths may be either in the Fair Theme category or Open category. Clubs **MUST** inform the 4-H Office which category they plan to enter.
8. 4-H Cloverbud clubs will receive comments and a participation ribbon the premium will be \$25.00 if they are registered by the deadline of Saturday, July 18.
9. Clubs removing exhibits before 11 p.m. on Saturday evening of Fair will forfeit **ALL** awards. **ALL** clubs will receive their premiums after the conclusion of the Fair. In addition, the top 2 exhibits in each category will be awarded additional premiums as indicated below:

PREMIUMS:

Registered by July 18, 2026		Registered AFTER July 18, 2026	
\$25.00 & Ribbon		Ribbon	
First Place Theme/Open	Second Place Theme/Open	Third Place Theme/open	
\$25.00	\$15.00	\$10.00	
Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	

DIVISION AC - SPECIAL EVENTS

I. TALENT/VARIETY SHOW - HOWARD AND DONNA MARIE BERCHTOLD, CHAIRS
SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, following 4-H Awards and Ambassador Contest

RULES

1. ALL participants must be registered members of an Atlantic County 4-H Club.
 - a. Cloverbud members (grades K-3) may participate, but will receive comments and participation ribbons **ONLY**.
 - b. ANY group with a Cloverbud member(s) is **NOT** eligible for awards and will be judged with comments **ONLY**.
2. NO 4-Her who has been paid for performing his/her talent will be allowed to enter the 4-H Fair Talent/ Variety Show
3. Participant must be a member of good standing.
 - a. Attend at least 70% of all club meetings and functions.
 - b. Junior and Senior members must have given state or county level 4-H presentation following the state presentation guidelines or participate in Favorite Foods Show. Cloverbud members can do a club level presentation or Favorite Foods Show.

- c. ALL members MUST have participated in a 4-H Fair Association Fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.
 4. ALL participants are expected to attend mandatory practice/rehearsal. ALL MANDATORY Talent Show practices/rehearsals will be held at the 4-H Center and perform their act as it will be presented on show night. NOTE: NO ACTS WILL BE ADDED TO THE SHOW AFTER THE PRACTICE/REHEARSAL.
 - a. ALL participants were required to register and attend the MANDATORY Talent Show practice on Monday, June 15. Participants must attend the mandatory rehearsal on Thursday, July 23.
 - b. Both the practice and rehearsal are MANDATORY. Full costume is expected at the rehearsal.
 5. Acts must be 3 minutes or less.
 - a. If music for show has lyrics, you MUST provide Howard, Donna Marie, and 4-H agent/program associate with the lyrics before the rehearsal.
 6. The Talent/Variety Show is designed to be a fun family-oriented show. **The chairs of the Talent Show and the 4-H Faculty/Staff have the authority to ask you to modify ANY acts to adhere to the rules.**
 7. Participants may only perform 1 solo act in the show. Solo performers may participate in 1 other group performance.
 8. Lip syncing is NOT permitted.
 9. There will be a panel of judges (preferably 3) selected by the Talent Show Committee. ALL judges' decisions are FINAL. Score sheets will be mailed to participants within a few weeks following the Fair.
 10. Participants will be judged on the basis of:
 - a. General appearance
 - b. Originality
 - c. Overall talent
 11. ONE (1) trophy will be awarded to the first place, second place, and third place winners, even if the winner is a team.
 - a. If the winner is a team, each member of the team will receive a rosette.
 12. ALL participants will receive a special Talent Show participation ribbon.
 13. THERE WILL BE NO FIRST PLACE TIES
 14. First place winners are NOT eligible to compete the following year in the same talent.
 - a. Example: A first place winner who sang a solo song may not return to sing a solo; however, he or she may come back and sing with a group or perform a completely different talent (dance, gymnastics, juggling, etc.)
 - b. First place winners will be requested to make a guest appearance at the 4-H Fair Talent Show the following year.
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II. BABY PARADE – KATHY EINWECHTER & RACHEL EINWECHTER, CHAIRS
SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 12:30 P.M. THE BABY PARADE IS OPEN TO ALL ATLANTIC COUNTY RESIDENTS AND FAIR VISITORS, GRADE 1 OR UNDER.

RULES

1. In all divisions, the decoration subject, theme, and costumes worn **ONLY** by the child or children taking part will be considered by the judges. **NO ADULTS IN COSTUMES!**
2. Any child up to and including 1st grade may compete, but the chairman of the parade reserves the right to refuse any entry.
3. The judges' decision will be **FINAL**, based on workmanship and originality.
4. Entries will be accepted at the registration table from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. on the day of the event.
 - a. **ABSOLUTELY NO ENTRIES WILL BE ARRIVING AFTER THE 12 NOON CUT-OFF WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES—NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!**
5. The Baby Parade will begin at 12:30 p.m. sharp.
6. The distribution or throwing of any articles such as candy, etc.
7. The use of animals is **FORBIDDEN**.
8. **NO** motorized vehicles are permitted to pull floats or any other entry. **Manpower ONLY**. **ALL** entries must be pulled across the stage.
9. Manpower vehicles can be no larger than 3'x5'x6'.
10. Participants may enter in **ONE DIVISION** and **ONE CLASS ONLY!**
 - a. One Best-In-Show trophy and one 2nd Best-In-Show trophy will be awarded to the top 2 entries. 1 trophy will be awarded to the ~~first place~~ winner in each class and special Baby Parade participation ribbons will be give 50 participants.

CLASS:

Division 1	Fancy Decorated
Class A	Child or Children Walking
Class B	Child or Children on Wheels
Division 2	Character/Cartoon/ Funny
Class C	Child or Children Walking
Class D	Child or Children on Wheels
Division 3	Nursery Rhymes/ Fairy Tales
Class E	Child or Children Walking
Class F	Child or Children on Wheels
Division 4	4-H Fair Theme: "Happy Birthday America"
Class J	Child or Children Walking
Class K	Child or Children on Wheels



III. PET PARADE AND SHOW – ERIN SHARPE, CHAIRPERSON

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 3 P.M. THE PET PARADE IS OPEN TO ALL ATLANTIC COUNTY RESIDENTS AND FAIR VISITORS.

RULES

1. Register at Pavilion 1 @ 2 to 2:30 p.m.
2. All pets **MUST** be on a leash or created. No flexi-leashes or retractable leashes are allowed.
3. No animals in "heat."
4. Foot power only (exceptions may be arranged for special needs).
5. Wagons and strollers are allowed at one per parade entry because of space.
6. Pet owners must pick up their pet's "refuse" before, during and after the parade. Bring necessary disposable bags.

7. Pets must have current rabies vaccinations. Written proof must be provided during the check-in process.
8. Unruly animal behavior will result in request to leave fairgrounds.
9. Bring your animal at your own risk. The Atlantic County 4-H Fair Association, volunteers, employees, licensees, or guests will not be held liable for any injury, damage, or any cause whatsoever.
10. Trophies will be presented to all First Place Winners in each division. All participants will receive ribbons. Best I Show and 2nd Best in Show awards will be determined by the judges at the end of the show. All decisions made by the judges are FINAL.

CLASS:

Division 1	Best Dog
Division 2	Cutest Animal
Division 3	Most 4-H Spirit
Division 4	Best Wheels
Division 5	Best Costume

SPECIAL FEATURE

Other exhibits and displays may be entered in the 4-H Fair upon request to 4-H agent/program associate prior to August 1. This is to give all members an opportunity to exhibit work accomplished in a new, novel, or unique project not covered in this listing.

FRANCES HAGEL MEMORIAL AWARD



To encourage more quality projects in the Atlantic County 4-H Fair, a cash incentive is being offered to the member who obtains the highest calculation for their entries in the “divisions open to all registered Atlantic County 4-H members”. After judging is complete, members will receive points based on their scores of each of their entries. The winner will be announced at the annual Atlantic County 4-H Awards night held at a later date.

Score	Points
Excellent	3
Very Good	2
Good	1

Division C – Gardens/Fruits & Vegetables
 Division D – Flowers/Houseplants
 Division F – Clothing
 Division G – Food Preservation
 Division H – Baked Goods

Division I – Fine Arts
 Division J – Creative Crafts
 Division K – Hobbies & Collections
 Division L – Photography
 Division S1 – Model Horses

This incentive is being provided by the family of Frances Hagel. This award is in memory of Frances Hagel, a dedicated volunteer of 67 years as the club leader of Cologne Busy Bees, 4-H Leaders’ Association, and 4-H Fair Association. She passed away in 2019, but her philosophy lives on – “You can do anything you want to do if you want to do it.”

Registered club members must have participated in a 4-H Fair Association fundraiser and raised an amount of \$50 or in lieu of fundraising; members can contribute \$50 to Fair Association in lieu of fundraising. In addition, members must have given a club, county, or state public presentation or participated in the Favorite Foods Show.

To take advantage of this award, all you need to do is enter your prized projects in the 4-H Fair. All exhibits must be entered on Thursday, August 6, between 6-9 p.m. (except those noted in the exhibit catalog). You will need to fill out a scoresheet and exhibit tag when you drop off your entry.

Let's get inspired and create wonderful projects to exhibit! Good luck!



**We need your help setting up
for the 4-H Fair!
Join us during Pre-Fair Work Week
August 1-6
Call the 4-H Office for details.
(609) 625-0056**

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