

2020 Ashland County Poultry Project Requirements

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Reminders for 2020

Possession Deadlines

- ❖ **All broilers MUST be purchased for the project through the 4-H Poultry Committee.** You will be notified when and where to pick up your birds. All members enrolled in the broiler project **MUST** order their birds from Amy Pickering (419-651-0774). **PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY ALL ORDERS AND ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED on or before Friday, June 26.** A minimum of 15 birds **per member MUST** be ordered and paid for when the order is placed. **Broilers ordered for the 6.5 week age will be picked up on Wednesday, August 5. Broilers ordered for the 5.5 week age will be picked up on Wednesday, August 12.** (You **MUST** provide your own container with shavings for pickup.)
- ❖ All Market Turkeys **MUST** be purchased for the project through the 4-H Poultry Committee to be eligible to show and sell. You will be notified when and where to pick up your birds. **Orders must be received and paid for by March 27, 2020.** A minimum of 3 birds **per member MUST** be ordered and paid for when the order is placed. **Birds will be picked up on Wednesday, May 13, 2020. You MUST provide your own container with shavings for pickup. ONLY** birds from this hatch will be allowed to show at the Ashland County Fair. All members enrolled **MUST** order their birds from Amy Pickering (419-651-0774).
- ❖ Possession date for all other Poultry projects is June 1.

Required to Complete Project/Show/Sell at Fair

1. **Member must belong to a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and be enrolled in a Poultry project.** 4-H members can enroll and projects can be registered through 4-H online starting in November.
2. **All Market Poultry (broiler and turkey) exhibitors, must complete Quality Assurance Training by June 15, 2020 in order to show at the county fair.** This training is offered through your 4-H Club or FFA Chapter. Other QA trainings may be accepted but contact the Extension office to find out for sure if they qualify. Proof of QA attendance must be provided to the Extension Office by June 19, 2020. If showing at OSF, training must be completed by June 14, 2020 as it must be done 45 days before the beginning of the exhibition.
3. **All first year exhibitors must attend one poultry clinic of any of the listed three below in order to be eligible to show.** There will be an incentive toward Outstanding Poultry exhibitor for all other exhibitors who attend poultry clinics.
 - Poultry Clinics:**
 - Wednesday, May 13 Poultry Clinic 6pm Extension Office (before Turkey pick-up)
 - Wednesday, Aug. 5 Poultry Clinic 6pm Extension Office (before Broiler pick-up)
 - TBA County Poultry Clinic
4. **Must complete Interview Judging.** Members will be evaluated by their 4-H Club advisor using a rubric grade sheet and earn a superior, excellent, good or needs improvement grade as their performance dictates. Satisfactory completion of the project record book will be a large part of this grade. All Poultry exhibitors must use the Poultry Record Book #150. (Poultry resource packets are available for \$6 upon request.) These evaluations will take place at the 4-H Club/FFA Chapter level in July/early August. Advisors are to turn in the rubric grade sheets at the Ext. Office by 4pm Tues., Aug. 25.
5. **Members must participate in the Poultry Skill-a-thon** during any of these three dates:
Sunday, August 2 2-4 PM Ext. Office

Saturday, August 22 9 am-1 pm Fairgrounds

Sunday, August 23 1 - 5 pm Fairgrounds

You may contact the Extension Office to make arrangements to borrow the poultry skill-a-thon to practice anytime during the year. Members who complete a Poultry skill-a-thon at the Ohio State Fair may have this counted as the skill-a-thon requirement. These members must turn in their official scorecard to the Extension Office by August 14 to receive credit. Participation in any other skill-a-thon is NOT accepted.

6. **Must turn in an accurate Junior Fair Entry by August 14, 2020.**

Junior Fair Exhibit Rules for ALL Poultry Projects

1. **Members are limited to 2 breed birds per lot, with a maximum of 10 breeding poultry entries.** Market Turkey and Pen of Broilers are excluded from the 10 entries.
2. Verification of all entries must be done at Skill-a-thon. On Check in day, only the lot number can be changed on entries.
3. **Each Broiler and Turkey exhibitor under the age of 18 must have a legal guardian present at the time of weigh-in** to sign the Drug Use Notification Form. Failure to do so will result in you not being able to check-in your project.
4. **At weigh-in, a committee member must inspect your cage with feeders and waterers to ensure they are of the proper size.**
5. Removing an animal from the fairgrounds before the release times stated in the Junior Fair book, will result in forfeiture of all premiums and being banned from exhibiting at the Ashland County Fair for a period set by the Ashland County Senior Fair Board.
6. All poultry must be removed from the fairgrounds by the end of release time. Failure to do so will result in a \$5 fine.
7. All members must show and sell their own animal in the ring.
8. The Poultry Committee will **not** be providing bedding of any kind at the fair **nor** will they be processing and delivering your market project to your buyer. These are your responsibilities.
9. Any obviously injured, neglected or sick animal may not be allowed to show or sell. This is at the discretion of the Poultry Committee.
10. **Member needs to supply feed and water dishes (1/2 gallon size) and attach to cages.**
11. **Daily care such as feeding, watering and cleaning cages, of poultry projects by the exhibitor or a member of the family is a MUST!** Members whose birds are not properly cared for throughout fair week may lose their showing privileges or sale privileges for this year's fair and/or the right to show at next year's fair with any poultry project.
12. The failure to care for your project animal, including the final cleaning of your cage at release time will result in a **\$25.00 charge** if the committee has to feed and water your animal or clean your cage. This charge will be deducted from your market sale check or you will be billed by the Poultry Committee.

Ashland County Junior Fair Show and Livestock Auction

BROILERS: All broilers **MUST** be purchased for the project through the 4-H Poultry Committee. **Order must be received and paid for by June 26.** See possession dates on previous page. Broilers under 12 pounds for the pen will not be caged. They will be sent home and premium for this project will be forfeited.

- The top weight on a Pen of 3 Broilers is 22.5 pounds per pen.
- The **minimum weight of each bird is 5 pounds.**
- Pens not making weight are ineligible to sell. Exhibitors of birds not making weight are still eligible for Showmanship and outstanding exhibitor awards.
- Members are limited to only **1 PEN OF THREE BROILERS** and they **MUST** be all

cockerels. **Only 3 broilers will be weighed on September 19 and there are no substitutions.** Pen of broilers will be weighed from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Junior Fair Poultry Barn on Saturday, September 19. Member or a family member is responsible for putting animal on scale.

- **There will be no sorting of birds on the fairgrounds. All broilers must be presented for weight at the same time and must be weighed by 8 p.m. ANY BIRDS PREVIOUSLY WEIGHED WILL NOT BE REWEIGHED.**
- Broilers will be judged **Sunday, September 20.** Broiler exhibitors are encouraged to participate in the Broiler Showmanship Class also on **Sunday, September 20.**
- Sale order will be Grand, Reserve and then the remaining birds. Members will draw for sale order at weigh-in.
- Broiler pens must be cared for by member following the sale until birds are picked up.
- **GRAND AND RESERVE CHAMPIONS MUST BE SOLD AND TERMINATED.**
- **All members are responsible for making arrangements for processing and delivery to a State Inspected processor.** Each exhibitor is responsible for initial processing fees and delivery of birds to buyer. Processing fees will be reimbursed to you in your sale check. **Processed broilers must be delivered to your buyer by Monday, October 12.**
- Members in the broiler project **must provide their own pen for moving the birds from the Poultry Barn to the Coliseum for the Broiler Sale.**
- **Broilers must not be removed before noon on Friday, Sept. 25 after sale.**

TURKEYS: All Market Turkeys **MUST** be purchased for the project through the 4-H Poultry Committee. **Orders must be received and paid for by March 27, 2020.**
See possession dates on previous page.

- **The Market Turkey class this year will be an all Hen class.**
- There will be a minimum weight limit of 20 lbs. for Hens for 2020 Market Turkeys. Birds not making weight are ineligible to sell but the exhibitor is still eligible for showmanship and outstanding exhibitor awards. Turkeys under 10 pounds will not be caged and will be sent home. Premium will be forfeited for this project.
- Members are limited to **1 Market Turkey and/or 1 Breed Turkey. It is mandatory that the Market turkey be a Hen, and the Breed turkey (which can be a tom or a hen) must be a heritage breed, not a commercial breed.**
- Birds must be brought to the fairgrounds and weighed **between 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 19. Member or family member is responsible for putting the animal on scale.**
- All breed turkeys will be banded.
- Turkeys showing in the Breeding Turkey class **cannot be removed before official release time stated in Junior Fair Book.**
- **Market turkeys may not be removed before noon on Friday, September 25 after the sale.**
- All market and breeding turkeys will be judged **Sunday, Sept. 20.** Turkey exhibitors are also encouraged to participate in the Turkey Showmanship Class on **Sun. Sept. 20.**
- Members are limited to exhibiting and selling only one (1) Market turkey. Members are limited to exhibiting only one Breed Turkey (either a tom or a hen).
- Turkeys will be sold individually, not by weight.
- Order of sale will be Grand, Reserve and then remaining birds. Members will draw for sale order at weigh-in.
- Members will be responsible for getting their turkeys to the coliseum on sale day.

- **GRAND AND RESERVE MARKET TURKEY CHAMPIONS MUST SELL AND ARE TERMINAL.**
- **Members are responsible for making arrangements for processing and delivery to a State Inspected processor.** Each exhibitor is responsible for initial processing fees and delivery of birds to buyer. Processing fees will be reimbursed to you in your sale check. **Processed turkeys must be delivered to your buyer by Monday, October 12, 2020.**

OTHER POULTRY PROJECTS

- During fair check in day, only the lot number can be changed on fair entries.
- **Birds must be brought to the fairgrounds between 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Sat. Sept.19.**
- **No breed class birds can be removed before official release time stated in Junior Fair book.**
- Exhibitors of exotics and large waterfowl projects may provide their own pens that are no larger than 4'x4'.
- There will be **NO EARLY RELEASE of non-market poultry projects including ALL other poultry projects and breeding turkeys.** Birds may not be removed from the fairgrounds before the release times stated in the fair book. Doing so will result in the forfeiture of all premiums and being banned from exhibiting at the Ashland County Fair for a period set by the Ashland County Senior Fair Board.

For additional Ashland County Fair information, requirements, and rules, refer to the 2020 Ashland County Jr. Fair Book and State Livestock Tampering Exhibition Rules.

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Important Dates

Friday, March 27	Turkey Orders Due
Wednesday, May 13	Poultry Clinic 6 pm and Turkey Pick-up 7 pm
Friday, June 26	Broiler Orders Due
TBA	Additional Poultry Clinic
Wednesday, August 5	Poultry Clinic 6 pm and Broiler Pick-up 7 pm (6.5 week option)
Wednesday, August 12	Broiler Pick-Up (5.5 week option)
Sunday, August 2	Skill-a-thon Option #1 2-4 pm
Saturday, August 22	Skill-a-thon Option #2 9am-1pm
Sunday, August 23	Skill-a-thon Option #3 1-5 pm
Saturday, Sept. 19	Check-in at Fair 9 am to 8 pm
Sunday, Sept. 20	Market Showmanship & Market Broiler/Turkey Show 4pm
Tuesday, Sept. 22	Poultry Breed Show & Showmanship 9am
Thursday, Sept. 24	Market Sale 4pm
Friday, September 25	Only market animals that went through the sale ring are released after 12 pm
Saturday, Sept. 26	Breed and Non-Sale market release time 8 pm -12 am