

DEPARTMENT 9 RABBITS

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ARBA Rules and Regulations will be followed, except in Pet Category.

Health Requirements:

The Erie County Fair animal health rules are to be followed in all animal departments and contests. Appropriate documentation of necessary immunizations must be presented upon arrival at the fairgrounds for all animals. (Pennsylvania rabbits are not required to have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) but are required to have an Animal Owner or Caretaker's Verification of Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR) form attached to the entry form. The entry form and the VCPR forms can be found in the Premium Book) The complete requirements are listed in front of the Erie County Fair Premium Book.

Rules and Regulations: (All general rules apply)

All entries must be made on paper entry forms and sent to fair office with all paperwork and payment, or on Fairentry.com

To promote continued improvement of the species, we encourage displays of quality rabbits consisting of breeds recognized by the American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA). All rabbits must be in good health and owned by the exhibitor for 30 days prior to the fair. You do not need to be an ARBA member to participate, but membership is encouraged.

Rabbits do not need to be pedigreed but do have to be purebred and tattooed. The only exception to this rule is the PET class, where the rabbits exhibited do not have to be purebred and may be cross bred, and pets do not have to be tattooed to enter. Entry fee is \$1.00 per rabbit and \$3.00 for a Meat Pen. Entry fees are due with entries and are paid directly to the Fair Office either by mail or walk in during office hours. Make all checks payable to: Erie County Fair. Please send entries by August 18, 2025. Any entries received after this date will be subject to coop availability and will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. The barn is limited to 120 rabbits.

This is an official American Rabbit Breeders
Association Sanctioned Show
Eric Stewart Executive Director
P.O. Box 400 Knox, PA 16232

Membership Dues:

Single Adult (19+): \$20.00 per year, or 3 years for \$50.00

2 Adult Combo: \$30 per year, or 3 years for \$75.00

Youth: \$12.00 per year, or 3 years for \$30.00

2 Adult Family: \$30.00+ \$5.00 per child per year, or \$75.00+ \$10.00 per child for 3 years

Single Adult Family: \$20.00+ \$5.00 per child per year, or \$50.00+ \$10.00 per child for 3 years

The ARBA National Convention will be held Indianapolis, Indiana November 14-19, 2025.

More information can be found at: arba.net.

ENTRY FORM INSTRUCTIONS:

Department: is 9 for ALL rabbits
DIVISION:

Division 1 is for the Breed classes.

Division 2 is for Meat Pen classes. ***To sell in the livestock auction exhibitors must be ages 5-22, (Dependent on availability of a butcher)**

Division 3 is for Pet Rabbits (Exhibitor must be age 17 and under)

Class: is the age and sex of what you are showing. Please use the following number that corresponds with the correct abbreviations in the class column.

1. SRB (Senior Buck over 6 months old)

2. SRD (Senior Doe over 6 months old)

3. JRB (Junior Buck under 6 months old)

4. JRD (Junior Doe under 6 months old)

Intermediate Class

Only breeds with a minimum ideal Senior weight of 9 pounds and over will have an Intermediate class.

If this applies to your breed, please use the following abbreviations in addition to the above:

5. INB (Intermediate Buck 6-8 months old)

6. IND (Intermediate Doe 6-8 months old)

Breed: Locate your breed on the following list and enter the **NUMBER** in this column. Please do not write the breed name in this space.

Ear #: Put the rabbit's tattoo number in this column.

Description: In this section just put the Variety

(color) of the rabbit.

Please note: Be sure to check this list every year as breed numbers will change as new breeds are accepted by ARBA.

Championship Premiums:

Best in Show 10.00 + Rosette + Trophy

Reserve in Show 8.00 + Rosette + Trophy

Best of Breed, 5 or more in breed 5.00 + Rosette

Best Opposite, 5 or more in breed 3.00 + Rosette

Best of Variety, 5 or more 4.00 in variety

Best Opposite, 5 or more in variety 2.00

Best Pet 10.00 + Rosette + Trophy (See Pet Class rules)

Class Premiums:

1st - 5.00

2nd - 4.00

3rd - 3.00

4th - 2.00

BREEDS OF RABBITS:

- A. American
- B. American Chinchilla
- C. American Fuzzy Lop
- D. American Sable
- E. Argente Brun
- F. Belgian Hare
- G. Beveren
- H. Blanc De Hotot
- I. Blue Holicer
- J. Britannia Petite
- K. Californian
- L. Champagne d'Argent
- M. Checkered Giant
- N. Cinnamon
- O. Creme d'Argent
- P. Czech Frosty
- Q. Dutch
- R. Dwarf Hotot
- S. Dwarf Papillon
- T. English Angora
- U. English Lop
- V. English Spot
- W. Flemish Giant
- X. Florida White
- Y. French Angora
- Z. French Lop

- AA. Giant Angora
- BB. Giant Chinchilla
- CC. Harlequin
- DD. Havana
- EE. Himalayan
- FF. Holland Lop
- GG. Jersey Wooly
- HH. Lilac
- II. Lionhead
- JJ. Mini Lop
- KK. Mini Rex
- LL. Mini Satin
- MM. Netherland Dwarf
- NN. New Zealand
- OO. Palomino
- PP. Polish
- QQ. Rex
- RR. Rhinelander
- SS. Satin
- TT. Satin Angora
- UU. Silver
- VV. Silver Fox
- XX. Silver Marten
- YY. Standard Chinchilla
- ZZ. Tan
- AAA. Thrianta

Rabbit Show Rules

1. All rabbits entered in a breed class must have a permanent and legible ear tattoo.
2. All rabbits (except Pets) are to be judged according to the latest ARBA Standard of Perfection.
3. The Pet Class is for YOUTH exhibitors ages 17 and under only and will be judged separately. Any adult entries entered in this class will be disqualified.
4. All standard breed entries must include: class, breed, and ear number. Please list color/variety under description. Pet and Meat Pen entries must include division and class.
5. **NO DOES WITH LITTERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
6. A Meat Pen shall consist of three rabbits of the same breed and variety. All three rabbits must be under ten weeks of age, and each must weigh at least 3 ½ pounds and not exceed 5 ½ pounds.
7. PLEASE trim nails before bringing them to the fair.
8. Rabbits will be accepted on Sunday August 24th from noon to 8pm. No rabbits are to be placed in the barn before noon. All rabbits must be checked in by the rabbit barn superintendent. If not checked in, they cannot be in the barn. The check-in serves as a safety

measure and also ensures they are placed into their assigned coops.

9. You are required to stay until the check-in process is complete because any rabbits showing signs of parasites or sickness will be sent back home with you.

10. During the fair, exhibitors are not allowed behind the coops without permission from the barn superintendent. This is to ensure the safety of your rabbit(s) while they are here.

11. During the fair, ALL rabbits must stay in the rabbit barn. You may not walk around the fairgrounds with your rabbit(s). The only exception to this rule is for the Fair parade and if you are going to participate, please let the barn superintendent know before removing your rabbit(s) from their coop(s).

12. Judging will take place on Wednesday August 27, 2025, by a licensed ARBA judge.

13. Ribbons will be awarded 5th place and premiums paid to 4th place in regular breed classes. Ribbons

will be awarded to 3rd place, and only one premium will be paid in the Pet Class.

14. Best of Breed, Best Opposite of Breed, Best of Variety, and Best Opposite of Variety premiums will only be awarded with five or more rabbits entered in the breed or variety. No premiums will be awarded for Best of Group.

15. Rabbits will be released at 9pm on Saturday, the last day of the fair, **NONE WILL BE RELEASED EARLIER.** This also applies to rabbits purchased by non-exhibitors. Removal before 9pm will result in forfeiture of all premiums. **ALL rabbits must be removed from the barn by 11pm Saturday night.**

16. All showroom sales will be handled by the barn superintendent. A 10% fee from every sale will be collected to benefit the upkeep of the barn and to purchase supplies for next year's show.

17. Any specials will be posted in the rabbit barn.

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