

JUNIOR POULTRY

OPEN TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ONLINE ENTRY DUE

August 1, 2026

COOP IN & HEALTH INSPECTION

August 30, 2026 – 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM
(enter through Gate 6)

SHOW BEGINS

August 30, 2026 – 10:00 AM

DEPARTMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Rules, definitions, and judging procedure as prescribed in the latest edition of the *Official Show Rules and the Standard of Perfection* of the American Poultry Association, Inc., shall apply to the Monterey County Fair Poultry Show except in such instances where they conflict with rules and regulations prescribed by State and Local Rules listed in this Guidebook.
2. Birds will be shown and judged in the proper Division and Class for breed, variety, age, and sex only. If no Class is offered, no awards may be made.
3. Monterey County Fair remains committed to hosting a quality Poultry Exhibition. Health checks are mandated by the Division of Fairs & Expositions and will be performed by certified Poultry Health Inspectors (PHI) from one of the designated CDFA/UC Certification Programs.
 - The PHI will evaluate the health and condition of every bird entered. As a result, coop in times may be delayed.
 - Look for signs as you enter the Fairgrounds as to where to take your bird(s) for the examination—do not proceed to the Poultry Barn until your bird(s) have been examined.
 - Make sure you carefully examine each bird before you leave home and follow your regular cleaning procedures.
 - Any birds that show signs of illness, stress, or are not in top quality condition will not be allowed to enter the show.
 - Birds with wing feathers or any other feathers that have been clipped or trimmed will be disqualified.
4. For all classes of Standard-Bred chickens and ducks, all birds must be identified by leg bands or wing bands conforming with the online entry on arrival at the show. No changes will be made on the day of Judging.
5. Substitutions can only be made within a division.
6. It is not mandatory that a first-place award be given if there is no entry in the Class or Division worthy of such placing.
7. All birds are entered at the owner's risk. The Fair and its management are not responsible for any thefts or injuries that may occur to the birds.
8. If a division does not have at least 10 entries, it may be combined with another division and judged as one.
9. All entries must be checked by the Show Superintendent before cooping in.
10. If there are more than 10 entries of the same breed a separate division will be created and judged.
11. Definitions of Classes:
 - **COCK OR OLD DRAKE** – Male 1 year or older
 - **HEN OR OLD DUCK** – Female 1 year or older
 - **COCKEREL OR YOUNG DRAKE** – Male under 1 year
 - **PULLET OR YOUNG DUCK** – Female under 1 year
12. **Showmanship is NOT Mandatory for poultry exhibitors.** Pre-entry is required for Showmanship if you choose to participate.
13. **PRIMARY LEVEL:** Must be 5 years old as of December 31, 2025, to exhibit at Fair. Primary Membership ends when youth qualify as Junior Members.
14. All animals must be clean and dry. Breeding animals must have a minimum of work done, clean and fitted in show condition, prior to health inspection.
15. Official uniform of the organization is required for all 4H and FFA Exhibitors while competing in all Divisions and while receiving awards during the 2026 Monterey County Fair.

Special Awards

Show Champion – Award & Rosette

Reserve Show Champion – Award & Rosette

Award per Specie

Champion – Rosette

Reserve Champion – Rosette

Best of Division – Rosette

Reserve of Division – Rosette

1st through 3rd Place – Ribbons

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS		
1 st	2 nd	3 rd
\$5.00	\$3.00	\$2.00

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER SHOWMANSHIP CLASS		
1 st	2 nd	3 rd
\$30.00	\$20.00	\$10.00

LARGE FOWL

DIVISION 832 AMERICAN

Buckeye, Chantecler, Delaware, Dominique, Holland, Java, Jersey Giant, Lamona, New Hampshire, Plymouth Rock, Rhode Island Red, Rhode Island White, and Wyandotte

DIVISION 833 ASIATIC

Brahma, Cochin, and Langshan

DIVISION 834 ENGLISH

Australorp, Cornish, Dorking, Orpington, Redcap, and Sussex

DIVISION 835 MEDITERRANEAN

Ancona, Andalusian, Buttercup, Catalina, Leghorn, Minorca, Sicilian, and Spanish

DIVISION 836 CONTINENTAL

Barnvelder, Campine, Crevecoeur, Faverolle Hamburg, Houdan, La Fleche, Lakenvelder, Polish, and Welsummer

DIVISION 837 ALL OTHER STANDARD BREEDS

Modern Game, Old English Game, Sumatra, Malay, Cubalaya, Phoenix, Yokohama, Aseel, Shamo, Sultan, Naked Neck, Araucana, and Ameraucana

DIVISION 838 NON-STANDARD LARGE FOWL

CLASS:

- 3) Cock
- 4) Hen
- 5) Cockerel
- 6) Pullet

BANTAMS

DIVISION 839 MODERN GAME

DIVISION 840 OLD ENGLISH & AMERICAN GAME

DIVISION 841 SINGLE COMB CLEAN LEG

Ancona, Andalusian, Australorp, Campine, Catalana, Delaware, Dorking, Frizzle, Holland, Japanese, Java, Jersey Giant, Junglefowl, Lakenvelder, Lamona, Minorca, Naked Neck, Nankin, New Hampshire, Orpington, Phoenix, Plymouth Rock, Rhode Island Red, Serama, Spanish Sussex, and Leghorn

DIVISION 842 ROSE COMB CLEAN LEG

Ancona, Antwerp Belgian D'Anvers, Dominique, Dorking, Hamburg, Leghorn, Minorca, Nankin, Redcap, Rhode Island Red, Rhode Island White, Rosecomb, Seabright, and Wyandotte

DIVISION 843 ALL OTHER COMB CLEAN LEG

Ameraucana, Araucana, Buckeye, Chantecler, Cornish, Crevecoeur, Cubalaya, Houdan, Le Fleche, Malay, Polish, Shamo, Sicilian Buttercup, Sumatra, Yokohama, and Ko Shamo

DIVISION 844 FEATHER LEG

Brahma, Booted, Cochin, D'ucelle, Fauverolle, Fizzle, Langshan, Silkie, and Sultan

DIVISION 845 NON-STANDARD BANTAMS

CLASS:

- 7) Cock
- 8) Hen
- 9) Cockerel
- 10) Pullet

DUCKS

DIVISION 846 HEAVY

Peking, Aylesbury, Rouen, Muscovy, Appleyard, and Saxony

DIVISION 847 MEDIUM

Cayuga, Crested, Swedish and Buff

DIVISION 848 LIGHT

Runner, Campbell, Magpie, and Welsh Harlequin

DIVISION 849 BANTAM

Call, East, India, Mallard, Mandarin, and Wood Duck

DIVISION 850 NON-STANDARD DUCK

CLASS:

- 11) Old Drake
- 12) Old Duck
- 13) Young Drake
- 14) Young Duck

GEESE

DIVISION 851 HEAVY

African, Embden and Toulouse

DIVISION 852 MEDIUM

American Buff, Saddleback Pomeranian, Pilgrim, and Sebastopol

DIVISION 853 LIGHT

Chinese, Canada, Egyptian and Tufted Roman

DIVISION 854 NON-STANDARD GEESE

CLASS:

- 15) Old Gander
- 16) Old Goose
- 17) Young Gander
- 18) Young Goose

TURKEYS

DIVISION 855 STANDARD

Black, Bourbon Red, Beltsville Small White, Bronze, Narragansett, White Holland, and Palm

DIVISION 856 NON-STANDARD TURKEYS

CLASS:

- 19) Old Tom
- 20) Old Hen
- 21) Young Tom
- 22) Young Hen

MARKET BROILERS

DEPARTMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Entries limited to exhibitors located in Monterey, Santa Cruz, and San Benito Counties ONLY. See Junior Livestock Department Rules, Entry Information, Rule 3.
2. Exhibitors must enter at least one (1) non-livestock still project for exhibit in this year's Fair. See Junior Livestock Department Rules, Entry Information, Rule 4.
3. Limit two (2) meat pen entries per Exhibitor.
4. A meat pen shall consist of two (2) broilers. No extra meat birds will be allowed onto the Fairgrounds to be added to a pen if original pen does not make weight. Absolutely no re-weighs.
5. Specific weight groups will be determined after weigh-in, same as in other species. Minimum weight of 4 lbs. with a maximum weight of 9 lbs.
6. The Junior Market Rabbit Meat Pen show is a TERMINAL show for the Top 5 placing pens. The top 5 Rabbit Meat Pens selected by the judge shall remain on Fairgrounds and be sold during the Junior Livestock Auction.
7. Exhibitors will be responsible for feeding and watering their entries.
8. Exhibitors will be responsible for maintaining clean and dry bedding for their entries.
9. Entries eligible for auction must be clean or they will not be allowed to sell.

Poultry Meat Pen Awards

Grand & Reserve Grand Champion -
Buckle & Banner

Weight & Reserve Weight Champion -
Rosette

DIVISION 857 PEN OF MARKET BROILERS

CLASS:

- 1) Market Broilers

SHOWMANSHIP

(SHOW ORDER: PRIMARY, FFA AND 4H)

DIVISION 906 4-H POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

DIVISION 914 FFA POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS:

- 1) 4-H Novice
- 2) 4-H Junior
- 3) 4-H Senior
- 4) FFA Novice
- 5) FFA Senior

DIVISION 916 4-H PRIMARY SHOWMANSHIP

No Entry Fee, No Cash Awards

CLASS:

- 1) Poultry