

# RABBITS

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**Entry Deadline: July 21**  
**See Schedule of Events for Details**

**RABBITS MISSION STATEMENT:** To provide an attractive and fun area for the exhibition of rabbits; to promote the Rabbit Industry and to showcase a variety of breeds of rabbits for the entertainment and education of the exhibitors and the Montana State Fairgoers.

**JUDGES:** Show A: Allan Ormand, UT; Show B: Chase Austin, TX

### 2023 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(All activities listed will be in the Poultry/Rabbit Barn unless otherwise noted)

<b>Wednesday, July 5 –</b>	9am - 4pm	Entry Office open to receive entry forms. Please call 727-8900 and
<b>Thursday, July 27</b>	Mon - Fri	for ask Entry Office for more information.
<b>Friday, July 21</b>	5pm	<b>All entry forms and entry fees must be received at Entry Office NLT July 22, at the following address: Montana ExpoPark, 400 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW, Great Falls, MT 59404 Attn: Entry Office. Mail ins must be post marked by July 22.) <i>Canadian entries ONLY may be emailed to Helen Eden at <a href="mailto:heleneden99@msn.com">heleneden99@msn.com</a></i></b>
<b>Friday, July 28</b>	Noon	<b>Fair opens to the public.</b>
<b>Friday, July 28</b>	9am –8pm	Rabbits accepted to the barn.
<b>Saturday, July 29</b>	8– 9am	Rabbits accepted to the barn.
	9am	Rabbit Show A and Rabbit Show B to run simultaneously. Rabbits released after judging.

Every effort will be made to follow the above schedule but due to unforeseen circumstances the schedule is subject to change.

### OFFICIAL AMERICAN RABBIT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION SANCTIONED SHOW

ARBA; P.O. BOX 400; Knox, PA 16232

#### MEMBERSHIP DUES:

SINGLE ADULT: \$20.00 PER YEAR, 3 YRS \$50

YOUTH: \$12.00 PER YEAR, 3 YRS \$30

TWO ADULT COMBINATION (Living at same address): \$30.00 PER YEAR, 3 YRS \$75.00

SINGLE ADULT FAMILY: \$20.00 PLUS \$5.00 PER YOUTH PER YEAR, 3 YRS \$50.00 PLUS \$10.00 PER YOUTH

HUSBAND/WIFE FAMILY: \$30.00 PLUS \$5.00 PER YOUTH PER YEAR, 3 YRS \$75.00 PLUS \$10.00 PER YOUTH

The national convention for 2023 will be held in Louisville, KY, Oct. 21 – Oct 25, 2023, "Racing to History"

At the Kentucky Exposition Center, 937 Phillips Ln, Louisville, KY 40209

#### **MONTANA STATE FAIR SHOW "A"**

(Open All-Breed Fair Show)

ARBA Sanction –

Premiums plus ribbons awarded for this show.

#### **MONTANA STATE FAIR SHOW "B"**

(Open All-Breed Fair Show)

ARBA Sanction –

Ribbons only awarded for this show.

**NO DOGS ALLOWED IN THE POULTRY/RABBIT BARN!**

**Thank you to Mountain View Co-op for the donation  
of the rabbit feed.**

## PREMIUMS ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

The Entry office will process judging results as quickly as possible after judging completion. Please allow 3 to 5 days. Notice will be posted in departments when premium checks are processed and ready in the Entry Office. The **Entry Office** will be open from **July 28<sup>th</sup> through August 5<sup>th</sup> (8am to 6pm) and August 6<sup>th</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> (9am to 4pm)**. Every effort should be made to collect your Premium Checks between these times. Premium Checks of \$399.99 or less may be cashed during that time period in the Entry Office.

All remaining Premium Checks will be mailed to you in the name and at the address provided by you on the Entry Form. The Montana State Fair will only mail premium awards.

**NOTE: A W9 must be filled out each year if either of the following apply to you:**

- **You have had changes to your name or address.**
- **You are a first-time exhibitor at the Montana State Fair**

## RULES & REGULATIONS

1. All participants at Montana State Fair events are responsible for reading the Montana State Fair GENERAL INFORMATION and LIVESTOCK INFORMATION Sections and complying with policies listed therein. These sections are located at goexpopark.com under the Montana State Fair tab.
2. AGREEMENT TO ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS HEREIN STATED IS UNDERSTOOD WHEN THE EXHIBITOR SUBMITS THE ENTRY FORM.
3. All entrants must complete a W9 form at time of entry to receive any premiums.
4. **Livestock exhibitors shall purchase admittance tickets.** Adult and Youth exhibitors may purchase an Exhibitor's Packet for \$20 good for 10 admissions for Fair week. Exhibitors may purchase individual tickets for \$4.00 each.
5. ONE EXHIBITOR PER ENTRY FORM. All entries must be made in the name of the actual owner of the rabbit.
6. Each entry must be completed in full, including class code. Tattoo number MUST be listed for each individual rabbit.
7. All exhibits must be examined by the superintendent before being allowed in the exhibition building.
8. Any animal showing symptoms of disease shall be removed from the building at once and cared for by the proper authorities. A representative from the Montana State Livestock Sanitary Board will be in the building most of the week and will help examine exhibits upon arrival.
9. All exhibits will be caged under the superintendent's supervision and no exhibit may be removed from cages or handled by any unauthorized person except by special permission of the Superintendent. THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ADHERED ENFORCED.
10. **ALL RABBITS PRESENT IN THE RABBIT/POULTRY BARN, WHETHER THEY ARE BEING SHOWN OR DISPLAYED FOR SALE, MUST MEET ARBA MINIMUM JUNIOR WEIGHT REQUIREMENTS FOR THEIR BREED. EXHIBITORS DISPLAYING RABBITS, WHETHER FOR SHOW OR SALE THAT DO NOT MEET THESE REQUIREMENTS, WILL BE REQUIRED TO REMOVE THEM FROM THE BARN IMMEDIATELY.**

## SPECIAL AWARDS

### SHOW A AND SHOW B

BEST IN SHOW RABBIT - \$15 and plaque

BEST IN SHOW RESERVE RABBIT - \$10 and plaque

### SHOW A ONLY - STATE FAIR SPECIAL AWARDS

BEST RABBIT SHOWN BY YOUTH – rosettes and 1<sup>st</sup> - \$5; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$3; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$2.

MOST RABBIT MILES OUT OF STATE - 1<sup>st</sup> - \$5; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$3

MOST RABBIT MILES IN MONTANA - 1<sup>st</sup> - \$5; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$3

BEST DISPLAY OVERALL - \$10

BEST OF BREED IN 5 LARGEST CLASSES - \$10.00

BEST OPPOSITE SEX IN 5 LARGEST CLASSES - \$5

BEST DISPLAY OF SINGLE ROASTER (5 or more) - \$5

BEST DISPLAY OF MEAT PEN (3 or more) - \$5

BEST OVERALL COMMERCIAL FUR - \$5

FIVE LARGEST BREED FUR CLASSES - \$5 for each first-place winner

## REGULATIONS FOR SHOW A AND SHOW B

1. All rabbit general rules apply.
2. American Rabbit Breeder Association chartered, and sanctioned shows are governed by the latest official show rules of the association. Exhibitors who wish to register their stock under this system will have the opportunity to do so during these shows with ARBA registrar.
3. All rabbits will be judged according to ARBA Standard of Perfection. Sanctions at the shows will be recognized as required by sanction rules.
4. All rabbits exhibited must bear registration of pedigree, tattoo numbers properly placed in ear and listed on entry blank and shipping crates.
5. No substitutions of entry unless of the same class, sex, age and breed.
6. There will be a fee of \$1 charged for tattooing rabbits and a 50-cent charge for each change made on entry blank. No ear number on entry blank will constitute a change.
7. All allowable changes must be made before the start of judging.
8. Management will refuse entry of all diseased and unsightly animals and entry fees on such animals will be forfeited.
9. The Montana State Fair and its representatives will not be responsible for damage or loss to exhibits. All care will be exercised by same to prevent damage or loss. Watchmen will be on duty at all times.
10. Judge's decisions are final. Anyone interfering with, attempting to influence or deceive the judge will be disqualified and any awards won forfeited along with entry fees.
11. All fur entries must be entered in regular class to be eligible.
12. Rabbits disqualified from regular class are ineligible for participation in fur class except for animals eliminated for being over or under weight.
13. There must be 5 or more entries to compete for fur specials.
14. No breeding will be allowed in the showroom without consent of both owners and knowledge of show superintendent.
15. Cooping pens are available on a first come basis. Preference will be given to out of state and out of town exhibitors.
16. All exhibitors will be responsible for handling their own animals to and from the show table unless prior arrangements are made with the superintendent.
17. No litters accepted for display. Display could put health and welfare of young rabbits in jeopardy.
18. Any changes in scheduled judging times will be posted at the Poultry, Pigeon, and Rabbit desk in the display building.
19. Handsome ribbons will be awarded in all regular classes on 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place at judge's discretion.

## DIVISIONS/CLASSES

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HEAVYWEIGHT  
LIGHTWEIGHT  
FUR

MEAT  
BREED CLASSES

### HEAVYWEIGHT

**ENTRY FEE:** \$1.25 per exhibit

**PREMIUMS:** Based on number of head/class  
3 or more: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$3; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$2; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$1.25; 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> receive ribbons.  
2 or less: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$1.50; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$1.25

### CLASSES:

RB-___-1	Senior Buck, over 8 months old
RB-___-2	Intermediate Buck, 6 to 8 months old
RB-___-3	Junior Buck, under 6 months old
RB-___-4	Senior Doe, over 8 months old
RB-___-5	Intermediate Doe, 6 to 8 months old
RB-___-6	Junior Doe, under 6 months old
RB-___-7	Pre-Junior Buck, under 3 months old
RB-___-8	Pre-Junior Doe, under 3 months old

*Note: Entries in the pre-junior classes are limited to rabbits of the following breeds: Beveren (not over 5 ½ lbs.), Californian (not over 5 ½ lbs.); Champagne d'Argent (not over 6 lbs.), Checkered Giant (not less than 4 lbs. or over 7 lbs.), Giant Chinchilla (not over 8 lbs.), Cinnamon (not over 5 ½ lbs.), New Zealand (not over 6 lbs.), Blanc de Hotot (not over 5 lbs.), and Crème D'Argent (not over 5 lbs.).*

## HEAVYWEIGHT DIVISIONS

### AMERICAN

001 Blue

002 White

### AMERICAN CHINCHILLA

020 All American Chinchillas

### ANGORA, GIANT

040 Ruby-eyed whites

### ARGENTE BRUN

060 All Argente Bruns

### BEVEREN

080 Black

081 Blue

082 White

### BLANC de HOTOT

100 All Blanc de Hotots

### CALIFORNIAN

120 All Californians

### CHAMPAGNE D'ARGENT

140 All Champagne D'Argents

### CINNAMON

160 All Cinnamons

### CHECKERED GIANT

180 Black

181 Blue

### CRÈME D'ARGENT

200 All Crème d'Argents

### FLEMISH GIANT

220 Black

221 Blue

222 Fawn

223 Light gray

224 Sandy

225 Steel gray

226 White

### GIANT CHINCHILLA

240 All Giant Chinchillas

### LOPS, ENGLISH

280 Broken

281 Solid

### LOPS, FRENCH

300 Broken

301 Solid

### NEW ZEALAND

320 Black

321 Blue

322 Broken

323 Red

324 White

### PALOMINO

340 Golden

341 Lynx

### SATIN

360 Black

361 Blue

362 Broken

363 Californian

364 Chinchilla

365 Chocolate

366 Copper

367 Otter

368 Red

369 Siamese

370 White

### SILVER FOX

380 All Silver Fox

## LIGHTWEIGHT

**ENTRY FEE:** \$1.25 per exhibit

**PREMIUMS:** (Based on number of head/class) 3 or more: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$3; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$2; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$1.25; 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> will receive ribbons.  
2 or less: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$1.50; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$1.25

### **CLASSES:**

RB-\_\_\_-1 Senior Buck, over 8 months old

RB-\_\_\_-3 Junior Buck, under 6 months old

RB-\_\_\_-4 Senior Doe, over 8 months old

RB-\_\_\_-6 Junior Doe, under 6 months old

## LIGHTWEIGHT DIVISIONS

### AMERICAN FUZZY LOP

400 Solid

401 Broken

### AMERICAN SABLE

420 All American Sables

### ANGORA, ENGLISH

440 White

441 Colored

442 Broken

### ANGORA, FRENCH

460 White

461 Colored

### ANGORA, SATIN

480 White

481 Colored

482 Broken

### BELGIAN HARE

500 Rufus

501 Tan

### BRITANNIA PETITE

520 Black

521 Black Otter

523 Broken

524 Chestnut Agouti

525 Ruby-eyed White

526 Sable Marten

### CHINCHILLA (STANDARD)

540 All Standard Chinchillas

### DUTCH

560 Black

561 Blue

562 Chinchilla

563 Chocolate

564 Gray

565 Steel

566 Tortoise

### DWARF HOTOT

580 Black

581 Chocolate

582 Blue Broken

583 Lilac

### DWARF PAPILLION

590 Black

591 Blue

592 Chocolate

### ENGLISH SPOT

600 Black

601 Blue

602 Chocolate

603 Gold

604 Gray

605 Lilac

606 Tortoise

### FLORIDA WHITE

620 All Florida Whites

### HARLEQUIN

640 Japanese

641 Magpie

### HAVANA

660 Black

661 Blue

662 Broken

663 Chocolate

664 Lilac

**HIMALAYAN**

680 Black  
 681 Blue  
 682 Chocolate  
 683 Lilac

**JERSEY WOOLY**

700 Agouti  
 701 AOV  
 702 Broken  
 703 Self  
 704 Shaded  
 705 Tan

**LILACS**

720 All Lilacs

**LIONHEAD**

740 Chocolate  
 741 Ruby-eyed White  
 742 Seal  
 743 Siamese Sable  
 744 Tortoise  
 745 Black

**LOP, HOLLAND**

760 Solid  
 761 Broken

**LOP, MINI**

780 Solid  
 781 Broken

**MINI REX**

800 Black  
 801 Blue  
 802 Blue-eyed White  
 803 Broken  
 804 Castor  
 805 Chinchilla  
 806 Chocolate  
 807 Himalayan  
 808 Lilac  
 809 Lynx  
 810 Opal  
 811 Otter  
 812 Red  
 813 Ruby-eyed White  
 814 Sable  
 815 Seal  
 816 Silver Marten  
 817 Smoke Pearl

818 Tortoise

**MINI SATIN**

840 Black  
 841 Blue  
 842 Broken  
 843 Chinchilla  
 844 Chocolate  
 845 Chocolate Agouti  
 846 Copper  
 847 Himalayan  
 848 Opal  
 849 Otter  
 850 Red  
 851 Siamese  
 852 Silver Marten  
 853 Squirrel  
 854 Tortoise  
 855 White

**NETHERLAND DWARF***Group 1: Self Varieties*

880 Black  
 881 Blue  
 882 Chocolate  
 883 Lilac  
 884 Blue-eyed White  
 885 Ruby-eyed White

*Group 2: Shaded Varieties*

900 Sable Point  
 901 Siamese Sable  
 902 Siamese Smoke Pearl  
 903 Tortoise

*Group 3: Agouti Varieties*

920 Chestnut  
 921 Chinchilla  
 922 Lynx  
 923 Opal  
 924 Squirrel

*Group 4: Tan Pattern*

940 Otter  
 941 Sable Marten  
 942 Silver Marten  
 943 Smoke Pearl Marten  
 944 Tan

*Group 5: AOV*

960 Broken  
 961 Fawn

962 Himalayan

963 Orange

964 Steel

**POLISH**

980 Black  
 981 Blue  
 982 Broken  
 983 Chocolate  
 984 Blue-eyed White  
 985 Ruby-eyed White

**REX (STANDARD)**

1000 Amber  
 1001 Black  
 1002 Blue  
 1003 Broken  
 1004 Californian  
 1005 Castor  
 1006 Chinchilla  
 1007 Chocolate  
 1008 Lilac  
 1009 Lynx  
 1010 Opal  
 1011 Otter  
 1012 Red  
 1013 Sable  
 1014 Seal  
 1015 White

**RHINELANDER**

1040 Black  
 1041 Blue

**SILVER**

1060 Black  
 1061 Brown  
 1062 Fawn

**SILVER MARTEN**

1080 Black  
 1081 Blue  
 1082 Chocolate  
 1083 Sable

**TANS**

1100 Black  
 1101 Blue  
 1102 Chocolate  
 1103 Lilac

**THRIANTA**

1120 All Thriantas

**FUR DIVISION (All weights)****REGULATIONS:**

- All rabbits entered in fur or wool classes must be entered and shown in their respective breed class.

**ENTRY FEE:** \$1.25 per exhibit

**PREMIUMS:** (Based on number of head/class) 3 or more: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$3; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$2; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$1.25; 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> will receive ribbons.  
 2 or less: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$1.50; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$1.25

**CLASSES:**

RB-____-9	Fur Class (must be 5 entries to compete for special awards) – List Breed.
2000	Commercial White
2001	Commercial Colored

Note: Per ARBA rules, entries in these two classes are limited to rabbits of the following breeds: American, Belgian Hare, Britannia Petite, Californian, Champagne D'Argent, Checkered Giant, Giant Chinchilla, Cinnamon, Crème D'Argent, Dutch, English Spot,

Florida White, Harlequin, Havana, Himalayan English Lop, New Zealand, Palomino, Polish, Rhinelander, Silver, Silver Marten and Tan. Animals entered in this class are also eligible to compete in their breed fur class. All entries in each of these two classes are judged together.

RB-\_\_\_\_-9 Fur Class (must be 5 entries to compete for special awards) – List Breed.  
2010 White Breed Fur or Wool  
2011 Colored Breed Fur or Wool

*Note: All rabbits are eligible to compete in their respective breed fur or wool classes. List breed of each animal.*

RB-\_\_\_\_-9 Fur Class (must be 5 entries to compete for special awards) – List Breed.  
2020 Fryer Fur

*Note: One class, with all white and colors judged together. All entries in this class must be entered in either single fryer or meat pen classes.*

### **MEAT DIVISION**

**ENTRY FEE:** \$1.25 per exhibit

**PREMIUMS:** (Based on number of head/class) 3 or more: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$3; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$2; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$1.25; 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> will receive ribbons.  
2 or less: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$1.50; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$1.25

**CLASSES:**

RB-\_\_\_\_-10 Single Fryer – not over 10 weeks of age; minimum weight 3 lbs., maximum weight 5 lbs.  
RB-\_\_\_\_-11 Meat Pen – consists of 3 rabbits, same breed and variety, not over 56 days old; judged live.  
RB-\_\_\_\_-12 Single Roaster – A rabbit entered in this class must be under 6 months of age; minimum weight 5lbs, maximum weight 8 lbs. Judged on meat type, condition of flesh and fur per ARBA standards.  
RB-\_\_\_\_-13 Single Stewer – A rabbit entered in this class must be 6 months of age and over; minimum weight 8 lbs. Judged on meat type, condition of flesh and fur per ARBA standards.

### **CLUB BOOTH EXHIBIT DISPLAY**

**REGULATIONS:**

1. Entry in this class is limited to rabbit, poultry and pigeon clubs which are chartered by their respective national rabbit, poultry and pigeon associations.
2. Entry is to promote, educate and/or entertain the public about rabbits, poultry or pigeons in a display emphasizing imagination and creativity to best reach out to public.
3. Entry is to be made in the name of the rabbit, poultry or pigeon club.

**ENTRY FEE:** None

**PREMIUMS:** 1<sup>st</sup> - \$100; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$75; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$50; 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> will receive ribbons

**CLASSES:**

CB-9-1 Club Booth Display



# RABBIT ENTRY FORM

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 Canadian Entries ONLY: [heleneden99@msn.com](mailto:heleneden99@msn.com)

(Office use only)

Receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_

Cash/ Check No. \_\_\_\_\_

Amt. Pd. \_\_\_\_\_

Info \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor's Name (PRINT) \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Street/P.O. Box) \_\_\_\_\_

City, State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years exhibited at MT State Fair: \_\_\_\_\_  Youth – Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Info \_\_\_\_\_

*I do hereby acknowledge that I have read the rules and regulations in the Exhibit Department Entries portion of the General Information section and that I understand and agree with the provisions stated therein.*

Exhibitor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Code	Breed	Class #	Color	Class Code (Age - Code 1-8)	Buck or Doe	Ear Tag #	Show A \$1.25	Show B \$1.25	Total Due
<i>Example RB-1000-1 (Rex Breed Class)</i>	<i>Rex</i>	<i>1000</i>	<i>Amber</i>	<i>Senior</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>1A1</i>	<i>\$1.25</i>	<i>\$1.25</i>	<i>\$2.50</i>

Entry Fees: \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor's Packet @ \$20 each: \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibitor Pass Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (10 Tickets for Youth or Adult)

Individual Exhibitor Tickets @\$4 each: \_\_\_\_\_ Individual Ticket Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_ "C" Gate Pass Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_



# RABBIT ENTRY FORM, continued

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Exhibitor's Name (PRINT) \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Code	Breed	Class #	Color	Class Code (Age - Code 1-8)	Buck or Doe	Ear Tag #	Show A \$1.25	Show B \$1.25	Total Due