

**DEPARTMENT 8  
POULTRY AND BIRDS**

**ENTRY FEE - \$2.00 per animal  
Exhibitors are limited to two entries in any one class**

**Limit of 30 birds per exhibitor**

**HEALTH CERTIFICATES MUST BE SENT IN WITH ENTRY FORM**

**Poultry Certificate is located at the back of the Premium Book**

**ENTRY FORMS WILL BE RETURNED IF NOT ACCOMPANIED BY HEALTH CERTIFICATES**

**HEALTH RULES FOR POULTRY AND BIRDS**

1. All Pennsylvania poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and pigeons entering an exhibition must bear a unique individual identification leg band (official state-issued leg bands are not required). Ratites must be identified with a neck band or an electronic implant device (the exhibitor must supply a reader).
2. An owner-endorsed health certificate must accompany all Pennsylvania poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, ratites, and pigeons, and must include the following:
  - Name and location of exhibition; and
  - Name, address, and telephone number of the owner; and
  - A statement that their entries and their flock of origin are free of evidence of contagious diseases; and
  - Owner signature and date of that signature; and
  - **Verification of testing for AI and Pullorum.**
3. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases. Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the exhibition grounds.
4. Avian Influenza Clean Testing and Verification (all samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian):
  - All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites, (*pigeons excluded*) for exhibition must originate from a flock in good standing in the Pennsylvania Avian Influenza Monitored Flock program, or from a flock in good standing in the NPIP Avian Influenza Clean program;

**OR**

  - The birds must originate from a flock in which a minimum of 30 birds, 3 weeks of age or older, were tested negative for avian influenza within the 6 months prior to opening date of the exhibition and the birds are accompanied by the test report. If there are fewer than 30 birds in the flock, test all birds. *For waterfowl, cloacal swab samples must be collected for testing, and the swabs must be tested using virus isolation techniques.*
5. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Testing and Verification (*pigeons and waterfowl excluded*). (All samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian):
  - All poultry, upland game birds, and ratites (*pigeons and waterfowl excluded*) must originate from a flock in good standing in the NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Program or from a flock in good standing in the PA Pullorum Equivalent Program;

**OR**

  - Individual birds (*pigeons and waterfowl excluded*) for exhibition must have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within the 90 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition. The following age restrictions apply to comply with NPIP standards:
    - Chickens shall be tested at 4 months of age or older.
    - Turkeys shall be tested at 12 weeks of age or older.

- Game birds shall be tested at 4 months of age or older, or upon sexual maturity, whichever comes first.
- Ratites shall be tested at 12 months of age or older.
- All birds not meeting these age restrictions are exempt from pullorum testing requirements.

### **Out of State Poultry, Waterfowl, Upland Game Birds, Ratites, and Pigeons:**

1. All poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and pigeons entering an exhibition must bear an individual identification leg band. Ratites must be identified with a neck band or an electronic implant device (the exhibitor must supply a reader).
2. An owner-endorsed health certificate must accompany all out of state poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, ratites, and pigeons, and must include the following:
  - Name and location of exhibit; and
  - Name, address, and telephone number of the owner; and
  - A statement that their entries and their flock of origin are free of evidence of contagious diseases; and
  - Owner signature and date of that signature; and
  - **Verification of testing for AI and Pullorum.**
3. All animals must be free of infectious and contagious diseases. Animals appearing unhealthy upon arrival may not enter the exhibition grounds.
4. Avian Influenza Clean Testing and Verification (all samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian): Poultry, waterfowl, upland game birds, and ratites (*pigeons excluded*) shall only be allowed into the Commonwealth and the exhibition after meeting one of the following requirements:
  - The birds originate from a flock in good standing in the NPIP Avian Influenza Clean program and the shipment is accompanied by a USDA form 9-3 or equivalent form;
  - OR**
  - The birds originate from a flock that participates in an equivalent avian influenza monitoring program and the shipment is accompanied by a document from the state, nation, or province of origin indicating participation;
  - OR**
  - The birds originate from a flock in which a minimum of 30 birds, 3 weeks of age or older, were tested negative for avian influenza within the 30 days prior to opening date of the exhibition and the birds are accompanied by the test report. If there are fewer than 30 birds in the flock, test all birds. *For waterfowl, cloacal swab samples must be collected for testing, and the swabs must be tested using virus isolation techniques.*
5. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean Testing and Verification (*pigeons and waterfowl excluded*). (All samples must be collected by a Certified Poultry Technician or an Accredited Veterinarian):
  - All poultry, upland game birds, and ratites (*pigeons and waterfowl excluded*) must come from NPIP Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flocks;
  - OR**
  - Individual birds (*pigeons and waterfowl excluded*) for exhibition must have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within the 90 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition. The following age restrictions apply to comply with NPIP standards:
    - Chickens shall be tested at 4 months of age or older.
    - Turkeys shall be tested at 12 weeks of age or older.
    - Game birds shall be tested at 4 months of age or older, or upon sexual maturity, whichever comes first.
    - Ratites shall be tested at 12 months of age or older.

All birds not meeting these age restrictions must come from a flock in which all of the birds in the flock have been test negative within the 90 days prior to the exhibition.

1. Entries for Westmoreland County residents and poultry fanciers cooped first.
2. Only entered listed specimens will be accepted. Breeds and varieties entered must be listed in the A.P.A. Standards.
3. Efforts will be made to coop singly. Right is reserved to place in one coop more than one bird of the same variety if owned by the same exhibitor.
4. The American Standard of Perfection will govern poultry judging.
5. A judge shall not officiate in a class where he has an entry. Collusion between a judge and exhibitor will exclude from competition and awards all entries of the offending exhibitor. Exhibitor's protest relative to such exclusion must be in writing.
6. Entered specimens must be bona fide property of exhibitor. All poultry must be separately cooped and clearly marked as to sex and class.
7. During the continuance of the show, all birds will be examined carefully each day. Birds showing signs of disease will be segregated and properly cared for or returned to the owner at his expense.
8. Substitutions will be permitted before closing date of the entries. No substitutions will be permitted after closing date of entries unless of the same breed, variety and sex.
9. Birds will be handled only by the judge or authorized Fair official.
10. In the absence of a protest, which must be in writing, the decision of the judge will be final.
11. Premiums will be paid only on awards indicated by the judges' records.
12. Entries will be accepted and premiums paid only on breeds, varieties and colors listed in the Fair's premium book.
13. The management reserves the right to reduce the number of entries from one party, if the cooping facilities are exhausted.
14. Specimens are entered at the sole risk of the owner. The Fair management will take the greatest possible care of all exhibits, but will not be responsible for accidents, mistakes, loss or damage thereto.
15. Premiums are as follows and apply to the respective classifications listed:
16. Bantams – cock, hen, cockerel, and pullet
17. Chicken – cock, hen, cockerel, and pullet
18. Bantam Ducks – old drake, old duck, young drake, and young duck
19. Ducks – old drake, old duck, young drake, and young duck
20. Geese – old gander, old goose, young gander, and young goose
21. Turkeys – old tom, old hen, young tom, young hen

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PREMIUMS				
<b>SECTION A –Bantam Chickens</b>	\$4.00	\$3.50	\$3.00	\$2.00
<b>SECTION B - Chickens</b>	\$4.00	\$3.50	\$3.00	\$2.00
<b>SECTION C – Bantam Ducks</b>	\$4.00	\$3.50	\$3.00	\$2.00
<b>SECTION D - Ducks</b>	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00	\$2.00
<b>SECTION E – Geese</b>	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00	\$2.00
<b>SECTION F - Turkeys</b>	\$6.00	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00

**\*\*USE POULTRY ENTRY FORM LOCATED AT THE END OF THE PREMIUM BOOK\*\***

**\*\*ENTRY FEE MUST BE PAID FOR OPEN AND 4-H\*\***