

2021 Rabbit Showmanship

- This is an optional contest
- Sign up at Skill-a-thon July 18th or can sign up on Sunday of the Fair at the Rabbit Check in Table by 1:00 PM
- Contest will take place Monday at Fair at 1:00 pm
 - Starting with Level 3
 - Level 2
 - Level 1
- Contestants are divided into divisions by age as of January 1st:
 - Level I: Ages: 8-10
 - Level II: Ages: 11 - 13
 - Level III: Ages 14 & Up
- Awards are given in each division. Trophy 1st Place, Trophy 2nd Place, Rosettes 3rd - 10th Place and Cash Prizes 1st - 3rd Place.
- First Place winner of Level 1 will move to Level 2 the following year regardless of age. First Place winner of level 2 will move to Level 3 the following year regardless of age.
- Winner of Level 3 may continue to participate in Level 3. Level 3 winner will also participate in "King of the Ring" on Thursday at Fair.
- Showmanship rabbit must arrive at the Fair on Sunday by 1:00, must pass a mandatory health check and must be shown in Tuesdays Breed Show.
- Judging elements will be at the discretion of the presiding evaluator, but in general, scoring will be divided as follows:

Appearance & Condition of Rabbit	10%
The rabbit should meet ARBA standards. Basic health and grooming will be taken into consideration.	
Demonstration of Verbal Knowledge	20%
Communicate knowledge either by direct questions of the evaluator or during examination process.	
Examination of Rabbit	35%
What to check on a rabbit and why. Evaluator will not prompt or cue.	
Handling & Posing of Rabbit	25%
Handling includes removing rabbit from holding pen (provided), proper posing position for the rabbit breed, handling the rabbit during examination.	
Appearance of Contestant	10%
This includes proper attire (long white sleeves), well groomed and pleasant attitude.	
- Pages 54 & 55 of the Rabbit Resource Book are useful guides for handling and posing rabbit.
- The evaluator's decisions are final.