

Talbot County Fair

July 10–12, 2025

Online Registration Deadline: June 6

Exhibitor Information

Open Classes

(All non-Talbot County 4-H/FFA members must enter Open classes.)



**Questions? Contact the show chairperson or call
University of Maryland Extension Talbot County at
(410) 822-1244**

www.talbotcountyfair.org

***Talbot Agriculture and Education Center
10659 Hiners Lane, Easton, MD***

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If you need help with online registration, contact Tom Hutson or Bonnie Turley of Talbot 4-H at (410) 822-1244, thutson@umd.edu, or bturley@umd.edu.

Online Registration DEADLINE: Friday, June 6

Note: For entries such as vegetables, you will need to predict which items will be ready to harvest by fair week.

Section 1: Fair Information

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2025 Talbot County Fair Week Schedule

The Talbot County Fair schedule is subject to change with little notice due to unforeseen circumstances.
Please check the website for schedule updates: talbotcountyfair.org.

Tuesday, July 8

4:30–6:30 p.m.

Entry of NON-PERISHABLE Indoor Exhibits: 4-H/FFA Dept. C–O

Wednesday, July 9

9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Non-Perishable Indoor Exhibits Judging and Display Setup

5:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m.

Talbot 4-H Dinner and Ambassador Program (5:45) by Tri-County Ruritan
(Collier Pavilion)

6:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m.

Talbot 4-H Campfire

Thursday, July 10

8:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.

Open to Public 4:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Entry of 4-H and Open Market Hogs

9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon

Children's Day

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

4-H Fashion Show Interview Judging

4:00 p.m.

Fair Opens to the Public

4:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Midway Games and Vendors Open

5:00 p.m.

Talbot County Fair Opening Ceremony

5:00 p.m.

Pork Barbecue Dinner by Talbot 4-H Shooting Sports

5:00 p.m.

Market Hog Show (Swine Barn)

6:00 p.m.

4-H Fashion Show (Collier Pavilion)

8:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Evening Drop-Off of PERISHABLE Indoor Exhibits (vegetables and fruits, baked goods, flowers and plants)—entries must come in with entry tags pre-attached because they will be checked in Friday morning by department workers.

Friday, July 11

8:00 a.m.–9:00 a.m.

Open to Public 4:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Morning Entry of PERISHABLE Indoor Exhibits (vegetables and fruits, baked goods, flowers and plants)

8:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Entry of 4-H and Open Dairy Cattle

11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Entry of 4-H and Open Meat and Pygmy Goats

3:00 p.m.

Entry of Dog Show participants

4:00 p.m.

Fair Opens to the Public

4:00 p.m.

Dog Show (Main Pavilion)

4:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.

St Michaels Art League Painting (Collier Pavilion)

4:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Midway Games and Vendors Open

5:00 p.m.

Beef Barbecue Dinner by Fairview Church of the Brethren

5:00 p.m.

Meat and Pygmy Goat Show (Swine Barn)

5:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.

Baked Goods Silent Auction (Collier Pavilion)

6:00 p.m.

Dairy Show (Main Pavilion)

Saturday, July 12

7:30 a.m.–9:00 a.m.

Open to Public at 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

Entry of 4-H and Open Beef/Dairy Steers, Dairy Goats, and Sheep

8:00 a.m.–8:30 a.m.	Entry of Open Rabbits and Cavies
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10:00 a.m.	Poultry Show (Main Pavilion)
10:00 a.m.	Beef Show (Main Pavilion)
10:00 a.m.	Dairy Goat Show (Swine Barn)
following Dairy Goat Show	Miniature Dairy Goat Show (Swine Barn)
10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.	Vendors Open
12:00 noon–8:00 p.m.	Midway Games Open
12:00 noon–4:00 p.m.	St. Michaels Art League Painting (Collier Pavilion)
12:00 noon	Joust by Eastern Shore Jousting Association
2:00 p.m.	Watermelon-Eating Contest (Midway)
2:00 p.m.	Sheep Show (Main Pavilion)
3:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.	Chesapeake Classic Car Club
3:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m.	Baked Goods Silent Auction, ends at 6:30 (Collier Pavilion)
4:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.	Chicken Dinner by FFA Alumni
6:00 p.m.	Fair Indoor Exhibits Awards/4-H Olympics Awards
7:00 p.m.	Livestock Auction (Swine Barn)
8:00 p.m.	Indoor Exhibits Released

OPEN CLASS GENERAL RULES

Exhibitors are required to register exhibits online by **Friday, June 6** at fairentv.com. If you need help with registration, call Tom Hutson or Bonnie Turley of Talbot 4-H at (410) 822-1244, thutson@umd.edu, or bturley@umd.edu.

- 1. Pay any required animal show fees online when you register or in cash the day of the event.**
- Cash awards in each indoor exhibits class will be as follows if sufficient funds are available: 1st place, \$4, 2nd place, \$3, 3rd place \$2, 4th place \$1. Awards are subject to change depending on fund availability. Animal show premiums may vary.
- 3. NON-PERISHABLE indoor exhibits will be entered Tuesday, July 8 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. All PERISHABLE indoor exhibits may be dropped off Thursday, July 10 from 8:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m. or Friday, July 11 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.** “Perishable” refers to baked goods, vegetables and fruit, and fresh flowers. Perishable items dropped off Thursday evening must come in **with entry tags pre-attached** because they will be checked in Friday morning by department workers. **See the fair schedule and animal show sections for animal entry times. See the fair schedule and livestock sections for animal entry dates and times.**
- Only work completed since August 1 of the previous year may be exhibited.
- Exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor and entered in the exhibitor’s name.
- No entry will be accepted unless there is a class for it in the fair book.
- Premium monies are subject to change without notice.
- The decisions of the judges are final.
- The Talbot County Fair and The Talbot County Agriculture and Education Center, Inc. will not be responsible for items damaged or stolen, and exhibitors participate at their own risk. The Talbot County Fair does not carry insurance on any exhibits.
- Talbot 4-H members may only enter in 4-H indoor exhibits OR open, but not both. 4-H members from other counties may enter in open classes but not in 4-H classes.**
- Exhibits from youth ages 12 and under as of January 1 of the current year will be judged separately from adult entries. It is the youth exhibitor’s responsibility to include your age on your entry tags.**
- If an item has been entered previously and you wish to enter the same item again, attach a statement of change or improvement. Only the change or improvement will be judged.
- All Exhibits must remain on grounds until 8:00 p.m. Saturday July 12.** Violations may forfeit premiums.

See the following selected/relevant pages for 2025 Maryland Department of Agriculture Animal Health Fair and Show Requirements

ATTENTION, EXHIBITORS: This animal health information was taken from the MDA website this spring, but it is subject to change. **It is YOUR responsibility to check the Maryland Department of Agriculture website for UPDATED requirements for the animal species you are working with:** <http://mda.maryland.gov/animalHealth/Pages/Fairs-Shows.aspx>. Recent changes in MDA regulations may not be included in this book.

THE TALBOT COUNTY FAIR AND THE TALBOT AGRICULTURE AND EDUCATION CENTER RESERVE THE RIGHT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL RULES AND/OR REQUIREMENTS.



Maryland Department of Agriculture

Animal Health Section
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2025 MARYLAND ANIMAL HEALTH FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS

Ref: COMAR 15.11.14.06

MDA Website: <http://mda.maryland.gov/AnimalHealth/Pages/default.aspx>

Effective: February 25, 2025

The Maryland Department of Agriculture's (MDA) Animal Health Program strives to safeguard Maryland's animal industries at our fairs and shows. With an increased potential of disease transmission occurring when large numbers of animals gather for exhibition, MDA has set forth requirements for exhibitors to follow at Maryland fairs and shows. As an exhibitor, you can help reduce the potential risk of introduction and spread of infectious and/or contagious diseases by following the species-specific health requirements below.

ANIMAL HEALTH ALERT HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA

FEBRUARY 2025: DUE TO THE RECENT OUTBREAK OF HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA (HPAI) IN BOTH COMMERCIAL AND BACKYARD FLOCKS IN MARYLAND, THE 2025 ANIMAL HEALTH FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

NO POULTRY EXHIBITIONS WILL BE ALLOWED PRIOR TO JUNE 1, 2025.

A DECISION WILL BE MADE ON JUNE 1, 2025 REGARDING POULTRY EXHIBITIONS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SHOW SEASON.

NOTABLE 2025 ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS TO MENTION:

1. **CERTIFICATES OF VETERINARY INSPECTION (CVI):**
 - a. Online CVIs have always been accepted but are encouraged and strongly recommended. Please urge the owner to print out a copy to keep with the animal(s).
2. **CATTLE**
 - a. Bovine Respiratory Disease Complex vaccination is **RECOMMENDED** for Maryland cattle, but is no longer a requirement.
3. **RODEO LIVESTOCK**
 - a. All rodeo livestock should follow the same requirements as those attending a fair or show.

4. **POULTRY/AVIAN INFLUENZA TESTING:**

- a. For avian influenza testing, **ALL BIRDS IN THE FLOCK** must test negative unless there are greater than 15 birds in the flock, then only 15 birds need to be tested. (For out-of-state flocks, if there are greater than 30 birds **IN THE FLOCK** then only 30 birds need to test negative.) "Flock" is defined as "all of the poultry on one premises, except any group of poultry that has been segregated for 21 days may be considered a separate flock" (*COMAR 15.11.11.02*)

Maryland Law provides penalties for violations of Animal Health Law and Regulations. LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY FAILING TO MEET COMPLETE DOCUMENTATION OF ALL REQUIREMENTS WILL BE DENIED ENTRY OR REMOVED FROM THE EXHIBITION - "REJECTED." SEE ANIMAL REJECTION POLICY UNDER GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR EXHIBITORS.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SPONSORS OF A LIVESTOCK/POULTRY EXHIBITION
(*COMAR 15.11.14.05*)

1. **Notification:** Exhibit sponsors must notify the Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA), Animal Health Program Headquarters, 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, MD 21401, of intent to sponsor an event that includes the exhibition of livestock or poultry no less than 30 days before the proposed event. Please fill out all contact information correctly, to include a phone number and email address. Animal arrival times MUST be provided to ensure coverage for entry. Please call 410.841.5810 to request an **EXHIBITION NOTIFICATION** form or go to MDA's website:
<https://mda.maryland.gov/AnimalHealth/Pages/Fairs-Shows.aspx>
2. **Reporting:** Sponsors must report to MDA, within 24 hours, any animal from the exhibition suspected of having or showing obvious, apparent, or known signs of a contagious or infectious disease and/or deaths; and exclude from the exhibition premises any animals having obvious, apparent, or known signs of a contagious or infectious disease. A summary of all disease events shall be provided to MDA, in the form of an **ANIMAL INCIDENT REPORT**. Call 410.841.5810 to request an **ANIMAL INCIDENT REPORT FORM** or go to MDA's website:
<https://mda.maryland.gov/AnimalHealth/Pages/Fairs-Shows.aspx>
3. **Records:** Exhibit sponsors must maintain a report of the owner, premises location, and species of all animals attending the exhibition and provide this report upon request to MDA.
4. **Exemptions:** Exemptions of this regulation may be granted. (Refer to *COMAR 15.11.14.05*)

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR EXHIBITORS OF ALL ANIMAL SPECIES (COMAR 15.11.14.04-06)

- **Exhibitors** at state, county, and district fairs, along with other livestock exhibitions, expositions, rodeos, shows, and swap meets are required to comply with regulatory provisions of the State of Maryland relating to animal health as noted in COMAR 15.11.14.04-06.
 - **Requirements apply to all livestock and poultry:** Livestock is defined as those species of animals used for human food or fiber or those species of animals used for service to humans. This includes but is not limited to cattle, bison, sheep, goats, swine, equine, New World camelids (llamas & alpacas), privately owned cervids, and rabbits. Livestock does not include dogs, cats, and exotic pets. Poultry is defined as any living domestic bird raised for food or other purposes including, but not limited to, chickens, turkeys, ostriches, emus, rheas, cassowaries, other ratites, waterfowl, and game birds.
1. **DOCUMENTATION:** Documentation is required for entry of all livestock and poultry and is described below. Examples of forms can be obtained by visiting the Animal Health website at: <https://mda.maryland.gov/AnimalHealth/Pages/Fairs-Shows.aspx>
 - a. For out-of-state animals, see species specific out of state requirements. Upon request, a person who exhibits livestock or poultry shall present for inspection all reports, test results, and appropriate health certificates required to accompany their animal(s).
 2. **CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION (CVI):** Required for most entries.
 - a. **MARYLAND ENTRIES:** All Maryland entries must be accompanied by a Maryland Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) for show, except poultry, equine and rabbits.
 - i. The Maryland CVI is valid for 120 days for Maryland fairs and shows, providing that the status of the herd or animal(s) does not change.
 - ii. The Maryland CVI is a legible record, made on an official Maryland State form, issued by a Maryland and USDA Category II accredited veterinarian, issued for animals being shown within the state and not crossing a state line, which shows that the animals listed thereon meet the health requirements of the state of Maryland.
 - iii. The Maryland CVI must be completed and signed by an accredited veterinarian (as described above) using the properly selected report on the CVI form. Each animal must be properly identified on the CVI. The veterinarian must select if this document is for fair and exhibition season, sale or other (with explanation).
 - iv. The veterinarian is required to send the original (white and canary) copies to MDA Headquarters within 7 days of completion, the middle (pink) transport copy is to be retained by the owner and should accompany livestock during travel. The last (goldenrod) copy is for the veterinarian's records. Alternatively, the CVI can be completed through an online

system, but it is **STRONGLY** recommended for the owner to print out a copy to keep with the animal.

- b. **OUT-OF-STATE ENTRIES:** All out-of-state entries must be accompanied by an **Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection**, except poultry and rabbits.
 - i. The Interstate CVI is valid for no more than 30 days from the date of inspection.
 - ii. An Interstate CVI must be legible, made on an official form of the state of origin, issued by an accredited veterinarian (both USDA and in the state of origin), and issued for animals being imported to this state within 30 days before the entry of the animals, which shows that the animals listed thereon meet the health requirements of the state of Maryland. If this CVI is performed online, the owner is encouraged to print a copy to display at the time of entry and keep with the animal(s).

- 3. **SELF-CERTIFICATION:** A completed *Self-Certification form* is required for all entries except for equine entering equine-only events.
 - a. Self-Certification forms **must be filled out within 24 hours** prior to loading and presented upon request to the designated representative.
 - i. A Self-Certification is an official Maryland document **signed by the owner/caretaker/transporter** stating that the animals presented for exhibition are not showing any signs of or having recent exposure to infectious or contagious diseases (within 21 days).
 - ii. *Self-Certification forms* are species-specific for livestock (ruminants/swine), equine, poultry and rabbits.
These forms are available on MDA's Animal Health website:
<https://mda.maryland.gov/AnimalHealth/Pages/Fairs-Shows.aspx>
- 4. **TEST REPORT FORMS:** Testing is required for some species, and if so, a test report form will be required unless otherwise documented on the CVI. See species-specific requirements for details of testing and test report requirements. Examples of test reports are shown below:
 - a. Avian Influenza Test Report
 - b. Pullorum-Typhoid Test Report
 - c. Coggins Test Report (Equine Infectious Anemia)
 - d. Tuberculosis Test Report
 - e. HPAI Milk Test Report for LACTATING DAIRY cattle

- 5. **MARYLAND POULTRY PREMISES IDENTIFICATION:** All Maryland premises with poultry are required to be registered with MDA. The Poultry Premises number must be noted on the Test Report or other documentation of NPIP U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid and U.S. H5/ H7 Avian Influenza Clean or State H5/H7 Monitored status. To obtain a poultry premises number, please fill out the application available on our website:
<https://mda.maryland.gov/AnimalHealth/Documents/poultry-registration-form.pdf>

6. **ANIMAL REJECTION POLICY:** Animals may be rejected from an exhibition, either denied entry or removed from the exhibition, as described below:
- a. **FAILURE TO PROVIDE COMPLETED DOCUMENTATION IS GROUNDS FOR REJECTION.**
 - b. Suspicion of communicable disease is adequate grounds for rejection. Confirmed diagnosis is not required since timely removal of suspicious animals is required by law to protect the remaining animals.
 - c. Livestock with clinical signs of infectious or contagious diseases or external parasites are not permitted entry or allowed to remain at the exhibition. Clinical signs include but are not limited to active lesions of ringworm with resulting loss of hair, sore mouth, sore nose, caseous lymphadenitis, mange, or multiple warts easily visible without close examination.
 - d. Exposed animals may be rejected if it is believed that there is a potentially serious communicable disease present. All animals originating with the suspect animal may be rejected. Vesicular diseases are of particular concern.
 - e. All decisions are final.
 - f. All parties involved will be notified of all rejections, including exhibit sponsors and supervisors.
 - g. Animal rejections can be made by MDA Animal Health veterinarians or field inspectors, private veterinarians contracted by the show, Maryland Extension employees, or individuals designated by the fair or show as a 'responsible person.'

FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS:

CATTLE

ALL CATTLE

IDENTIFICATION: INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFICATION OF EACH ANIMAL SHALL BE AN RFID OFFICIAL EAR TAG.

Rodeo Cattle must have official individual ID that is recognized by the USDA (9 CFR Parts 71, 77, 78, and 86). Rodeo Cattle are NOT allowed to commingle with any other cattle at the exhibition.

Maryland Cattle

- **Influenza A:** No testing requirements for Maryland cattle.
- **Brucellosis:** Maryland is a Bovine Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Maryland cattle.
- **Tuberculosis:** Maryland is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. A tuberculin test is not required for Maryland cattle.
- **Immunization:** Bovine Respiratory Disease Complex vaccination is recommended for all cattle to include Bovine Respiratory Syncytial Virus, Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus, Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis and Parainfluenza. Leptospirosis vaccination is also recommended.

Out-of-State Cattle

- **Influenza A:**
 - a. For LACTATING DAIRY cattle (defined as a cow that is producing milk, regardless of the volume of milk that she is producing. This does not include dairy calves, pregnant heifers, or dairy cows that are 'dry' or no longer producing milk.)
 - i. A milk sample from all four quarters must be tested for Influenza A within 7 days of travel, and results must be written on the CVI. Failure to comply will result in denied entry. A bulk tank sample will not be accepted.
- **Brucellosis:**
 - a. Bovine Brucellosis Class-Free State, Region or Zone
 - i. No brucellosis test required.
 - b. Non-Bovine Brucellosis Class-Free State, Region or Zone
 - i. Official vaccinates under 24 months old with vaccination dates recorded on the Interstate CVI permitted, or
 - ii. Test negative within 30 days before entry.
- **Tuberculosis:**
 - a. Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State, Region or Zone
 - i. No tuberculin test required.
 - b. Modified Accredited Advanced or lower Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)
 - i. All cattle over 6 months of age shall comply with the following:
 1. Cattle must originate from a herd where a complete herd test was conducted within the past 12 months; progeny from such herds born since that test may be imported without a tuberculin test, or

2. Any individual animal, over 6 months of age, entering Maryland must have a negative tuberculin test within 60 days before import.
 - ii. Status of herd and area must be shown on their certificate.
- **Immunization:** Bovine Respiratory Disease Complex vaccination is recommended for all out of state cattle to include Bovine Respiratory Syncytial Virus, Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus, Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis and Parainfluenza. Leptospirosis vaccination is also recommended.

FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS:
SWINE

ALL SWINE

IDENTIFICATION: INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFICATION OF EACH ANIMAL SHALL BE AN RFID OFFICIAL EAR TAG.

Maryland Swine

- Brucellosis: Maryland is a Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Maryland swine.
- Pseudorabies: Maryland is a Pseudorabies Stage V state. Pseudorabies testing is not required for Maryland swine.
- Immunization: Leptospirosis vaccination is recommended.

Out-of-State Swine

- Brucellosis: All swine, except barrows, 6 months of age and older shall be negative on an official test for brucellosis within 30 days prior to exhibition entry, or originate directly from a validated brucellosis-free herd or brucellosis-free state.
- Pseudorabies: Swine over 6 months of age shall be negative on an official test for pseudorabies conducted within 30 days prior to exhibition entry, or originate immediately and directly from a Qualified Pseudorabies Negative herd or Stage 4 or Stage 5 Pseudorabies-Free State.
- Immunization: Leptospirosis vaccination is recommended.
- All U.S. states are currently swine brucellosis free and pseudorabies free (this is the current status as of February 2025 but please continue to regularly check each state's status for any changes).

FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS: **SHEEP AND GOATS**

ALL SHEEP

Identification for Sheep: All sheep must be officially Scrapie-identified. Official identification for sheep includes the following:

1. USDA-approved Scrapie ear tags;
2. Legible registration tattoos, for which the breed registration paper shall contain the registry premises or flock tattoo prefix that is linked to the APHIS-assigned PIN and flock ID number of the flock of birth, if breed registry is approved by APHIS; or
3. Legible tattoos consisting of an individual animal number unique within the flock in one ear and the official Scrapie premises identification number (flock ID) in the other ear, except where the tail web or flank may be used for earless animals or animals with damaged ears; must be accompanied by an owner statement.
4. A microchip ID with official Scrapie identification is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.
5. USDA approved RFID tag.

Further clarification on the Federal Scrapie Program can be found at:

<https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-disease-information/sheep-and-goat-health/national-scrapie-eradication-program/>

Out-of-State Sheep

No additional requirements

Market Lambs

It is recommended that all lambs be slick shorn prior to entry for inspection for Club Lamb Fungus (sheep ringworm).

ALL GOATS

Identification for Goats: All goats must be officially Scrapie-identified. Official identification for goats includes the following:

1. USDA-approved Scrapie ear tags;
2. Legible registration tattoos, for which the breed registration paper shall contain the registry premises or flock tattoo prefix that is linked to the APHIS-assigned PIN and flock ID number of the flock of birth, if breed registry is approved by APHIS; or
3. Legible tattoos consisting of an individual animal number unique within the herd in one ear and the official Scrapie premises identification number (flock ID) in the other ear, except where the tail web or flank may be used for earless animals or animals with damaged ears; must be accompanied by an owner statement.
4. A microchip ID with official Scrapie identification is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.
5. USDA approved RFID tag.

Further clarification on the Federal Scrapie Program can be found at:

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Maryland Goats

Brucellosis: Maryland is a Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Maryland goats.

Tuberculosis: Maryland is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. Tuberculin test is not required for Maryland goats.

Out-of-State Goats

Tuberculosis:

1. Accredited Tuberculosis-Free States, Region or Zone: A tuberculin test is not required.
2. Modified Accredited Advanced or lower Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)
 - a. All goats over 6 months of age shall comply with the following:
 - i. Goats must originate from herds in which all animals are tested negative within the past 12 months; progeny from such herds born since that test, may be imported without a tuberculin test, or
 - ii. Any individual animal entering Maryland must have a negative tuberculin test within 60 days before import.
 - b. Status of herd and area must be shown on their certificate.

Brucellosis:

1. There are no out of state requirements for brucellosis testing in goats.

FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS:
RABBITS

ALL RABBITS

1. Rabbits are not required to have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.
2. **Identification:** Individual identification of each animal shall be a tag, tattoo, or microchip, if the exhibitor provides the reader.
3. All rabbit exhibitors shall complete a Rabbit Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health.

No additional requirements for out of state rabbits.

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SPECIAL NOTE TO ANIMAL EXHIBITORS:

Any animal program activity can pose a potential risk of accidents or injuries to participants and their family members. Injuries could include cuts, scrapes, broken bones, bites, head injuries, heat-related illnesses, and injuries to other body parts. By participating in Talbot County Fair animal shows and related activities, you acknowledge that you recognize and understand that there are risks and hazards associated with participation in the show and related activities. You further acknowledge that you accept the risks and that Talbot County Fair, University of Maryland Extension, and Maryland 4-H will not be held responsible or liable for any accidents or injuries.



Cavy Show

(Open Show)
Saturday, July 12, 10:00 a.m.
Chairperson: Tresa Hutchison
(410) 924-2259



RULES

1. Contestants must comply with the Maryland 4-H/FFA Code of Animal Science Ethics and also the latest ARBA/ACBA rules.
2. Cavies must be checked in by **8:30 a.m.** Judging begins promptly at **9:00 a.m.** Please plan to arrive earlier to enter cavies because it takes time to enter each cavy and make any substitutions.
3. All exhibits must be pre-registered on the appropriate form and pay a **\$5 entry fee** per cavy.
4. Substitutions will be allowed in the same group, variety, age, and sex on the day of the show.
5. All exhibits must be a breed recognized by ARBA/ACBA. Mixed breeds are not allowed except in Pet Class.
6. Exhibitors are limited to a total of 6 entries in the breed classes and two pets per entry. The same animal **cannot** be exhibited in the Breed Class and the Pet Class.
7. Cavies must have numbered ear tags unless otherwise approved by the Show Chairperson.
8. Showmanship guidelines can be obtained from the Show Chairperson.
9. Any exhibit displaying signs of disease or in poor fleshing condition will be refused entry. The decision of the chairperson and/or judge is final.
10. All cavies must be owned by the exhibitor.
11. Online registration is due on or before **Friday, June 6.** Pay your fees online or in cash when you arrive to enter your animals in the show.
12. All exhibitors are responsible for presentation of animals for judging. If a conflict exists with another project at show time, the owner should get another project member to present the project to the judge. The exhibitor must check in with the Chairperson before the show notifying them of the conflict.
13. The Fair or Show Committee will not be responsible in case of fire, theft, or destruction. All reasonable precautions to guard against these hazards will be taken.
14. No dogs will be allowed in the show area.
15. Interference and influence of the judges in any way will not be tolerated.
16. Registration indicates acceptance of these rules and regulations.
17. If you have questions, please call the chairperson at 410-924-2259.

CLASSES

1. **Breed Class** – Recognized Breeds are as follows: Abyssinian, Abyssinian Satin, American, American Satin, Coronet, Peruvian, Peruvian Satin, Silkie, Silkie Satin, Teddy, Teddy Satin, Texel, White Crested. If not sure what breed you have, obtain a cavy breeds and varieties list from your County 4-H extension agent to properly fill out your entry or call the Show Chairperson or visit www.arba.net

Cavies to be entered as follows:

- A. Junior Boars or Sows - 12oz to 22oz
- B. Intermediate Boars or Sows - 23oz to 32oz
- C. Senior Boars or Sows - over 32oz

Special Awards

- Best of Variety
- Best of Breed
- Best in Show

2. **Showmanship**

- A. Novice (First year in Showmanship regardless of Age) – Champion Award
- B. Junior (8 – 10 years as of Jan. 1) – Champion Award
- C. Intermediate (11 – 13 years as of Jan 1) – Champion Award
- D. Senior (14 – 18 years as of Jan 1) – Champion Award

3. **Pet Class** - for any cavy that is not acceptable by ARBA/ ACBA in the Breed Class – Champion Award

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Click: Find Your Fair, select Maryland,
and click Talbot County Fair. Talbot 4-H
families sign in using 4-H Online
accounts and open exhibitors sign in
directly through FairEntry.

Rabbit Show

(Open Show)

Saturday, July 12, 9:00 a.m.

Chairperson: Tresa Hutchison

(410) 924-2259

RULES

1. Contestants must comply with Maryland 4-H/FFA Code of Ethics and also the latest ARBA rules.
2. The show will be a one-day carrier cage show. Rabbits must be placed at **8:30 a.m.** Judging will begin after the Cavy Show.
3. All exhibits must be pre-registered online, and exhibitors must pay the appropriate entry fees.
4. Online registration is due on or before **Friday, June 6. Pay your fees online or pay in cash when you arrive to enter your animals in the show.**
5. Entry fees will be as follows:
 - Breed Class \$5 per animal**
 - Market Pen \$5 per entry**
 - Pet Class \$5 per animal**
6. Exhibitors are limited to ten rabbits total in breed classes, one market pen exhibit, and two pet exhibits. The same animal **cannot** be exhibited in the Breed Class and the Pet Class.
7. Rabbits must be permanently tattooed in the left ear. The tattoo must be legible. Please contact the Show Chairman if your rabbit needs to be tattooed for the show. Market pens do not need to be tattooed.
8. Any rabbits showing signs of disease or poor condition will be refused entry and entry fees will be forfeited.
9. All rabbit exhibitors must fill out a Self-Certification of Rabbit Health form prior to loading animals and shall be presented upon request to the designated fair and show representative at each show attended.
10. Rabbits over two weeks pregnant will not be accepted. Rabbits in breed classes must be a minimum of 12 weeks old to be shown.
11. No substitutions will be allowed except for same breed, variety, age and sex on the day of the show.
12. Showmanship guidelines can be obtained from the Show Chairperson.
13. All rabbits must be owned by the exhibitor. Exhibitor must own the mother (Dam) of the Market Pen in order to be shown.
14. All exhibitors are responsible for presentation of animals for judging. If a conflict exists with another project at show time, the owner should get another project member to present the project to the judge.
15. The Fair or Show Committee will not be responsible in case of fire, theft, or destruction. All reasonable precautions to guard against these hazards will be taken.
16. No dogs will be allowed in the show area.
17. Interference and influence of the judges in any way will not be tolerated.
18. The completion of an entry form indicates acceptance of these rules and regulations.
19. If you have questions, please contact the chairperson at 410-924-2259.

To register, go online to **fairentry.com**. Click: Find Your Fair, select Maryland, and click Talbot County Fair. Talbot 4-H families sign in using 4-H Online accounts and open exhibitors sign in directly through FairEntry.

CLASSES

1. **Breed Class** - Any breed recognized by ARBA. Rabbits may be entered as follows:
 - 4-class breeds*: Sr. Doe, Jr. Doe, Sr. Buck, Jr. Buck
 - 6-class breeds*: Sr. Doe, 6/8 Doe, Jr. Doe, Sr. Buck, 6/8 Buck, Jr. Buck

*Obtain a rabbit breeds and varieties list from your County 4-H extension agent to properly fill out your entry or call the Show Chairperson or visit www.arba.net

Special Awards

Best of Variety

Best of Breed

Best in Show

2. **Market Pen** - 3 Rabbits - all the same breed and variety; no mixed breeds. Age limit not over 69 days, weight limit not over 5 pounds each rabbit. All breeds competing together. Talbot County 4-H Market Pens will be sold in the Livestock Auction on Saturday night. ****Exhibitor must own Dam of Market Pen.**

Best Market Pen Award

3. **Pet Class** - for any rabbit that is not acceptable in the Breed Class because of being mixed breeds, having a disqualification or any breed not acceptable by ARBA.

Best Pet Rabbit Award

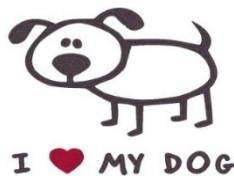
4. Showmanship

A. Novice (First year in Showmanship regardless of Age) – Champion Award

B. Junior (8 – 10 years as of Jan. 1) – Champion Award

C. Intermediate (11 – 13 years as of Jan 1) – Champion Award

D. Senior (14 – 18 years as of Jan 1) – Champion Award



Dog Show

(Open Show)



Friday, July 11, 4:00 p.m.

Chairperson: Karla Wieland-Cherry
Dkcherry4@aol.com, (410) 310-8421

Youth Only

RULES:

1. Contestants must comply with the Maryland 4-H/FFA Code of Ethics.
2. Dogs must be checked in by 3:00 pm. Judging begins at 4:00 pm. Please plan to arrive earlier to enter dogs as it takes time to enter each dog and make any substitutions.
3. Any dog displaying signs of disease or in poor condition will be refused entry. All dogs must have current rabies vaccination.
4. Substitutions will be allowed. Online registration is due on or before **Friday, June 6. No entry fees are being charged because this show does not pay premiums.**
5. All exhibitors are responsible for presentation of animals for judging. If a conflict exists with another project at show time, the owner should get another project member to present the dog to the judge. The exhibitor must check in with the Chairperson before the show notifying them of the conflict.
6. The Fair or Show Committee will not be responsible in case of fire, theft, or destruction. All reasonable precautions to guard against these hazards will be taken.
7. Interference and influence of the judges in any way will not be tolerated. The decision of the chairperson and/or judge is final.
8. The completion of an entry form indicates acceptance of these rules and regulations.
9. Fitting & Showing attire shall be tan/khaki or dark slacks or skirt and white shirt. Dresses may be worn by girls.

If you have questions, please call the chairperson at 410-310-8421.

CLASS

- C1: Obedience Novice - Junior 8 to 10
- C2: Obedience Novice - Intermediate 11 to 13
- C3: Obedience Novice - Senior 14 to 18
- D1: Obedience Advanced - Junior 8 to 10
- D2: Obedience Advanced - Intermediate 11 to 13
- D3: Obedience Advanced - Senior 14 to 18

To register, go online to **fairentury.com**.
Click: Find Your Fair, select Maryland,
and click Talbot County Fair. Talbot 4-

- F1: Fitting and Showing Novice - Junior 8 to 10
- F2: Fitting and Showing Novice - Intermediate 11 to 13
- F3: Fitting and Showing Novice - Senior 14 to 18
- G1: Fitting and Showing Advanced - Junior 8 to 10
- G2: Fitting and Showing Advanced - Intermediate 11 to 13
- G3: Fitting and Showing Advanced - Senior 14 to 18

- H1: Rally Novice - Junior 8 to 10
- H2: Rally Novice - Intermediate 11 to 13
- H3: Rally Novice - Senior 14 to 18
- I1: Rally Advanced - Junior 8 to 10
- I2: Rally Advanced - Intermediate 11 to 13
- I3: Rally Advanced - Senior 14 to 18



Poultry Show

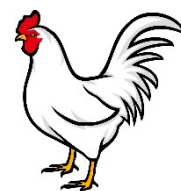
(Open Show)

Chairperson: Karla Wieland-Cherry, Christine Weber

410-310-8421, dkcherry4@aol.com

Saturday, July 12, 10:00 a.m.

Youth Only



RULES:

1. **Contestants must comply with the Maryland 4-H/FFA Code of Ethics, the latest MDA poultry testing guidelines, and leg bands. Talbot County Fair requires Avian Influenza testing for In-State as well as Out-of-State poultry.**
 2. Judging begins promptly at 10:00 a.m. Please arrive at 9:00 a.m. to enter birds because it takes time to enter each bird and make any substitutions.
 3. **No entry fees are being charged because this show does not pay premiums.**
 4. All exhibits must be a breed recognized by American Poultry Association. No mixed breeds except for showmanship class.
 5. Showmanship guidelines can be obtained from the Show Chairperson.
 6. Any exhibit displaying signs of disease or in poor condition will be refused entry. The decision of the chairperson and/or judge is final.
 7. Substitutions will be allowed in the same group and sex on the day of the show; still must bring proof of required testing.
 8. All birds must be owned or leased by the exhibitor.
 9. Cages are available on a first come, first served basis. This is a carrier show. All birds must be safely contained in cages/carriers at all times.
 10. Eggs to be entered must be pre-registered also and should be brought to the fairgrounds on day of show.
 11. All exhibitors must provide their own feed and water containers and be responsible for cleaning of cages/pens when show is completed. Each exhibitor is responsible for feeding and watering their own animals and if they are unable to do so, must make arrangements with someone who will be able to.
 12. Online registration is due on or by **Friday, June 6.**
 13. All exhibitors are responsible for presentation of animals for judging. If a conflict exists with another project at show time, the owner should get another project member to present the project to the judge. The exhibitor must check in with the Chairperson before the show notifying them of the conflict.
 14. The Fair or Show Committee will not be responsible in case of fire, theft, or destruction. All reasonable precautions to guard against these hazards will be taken.
 15. No outside animals will be allowed in the show area.
 16. Interference and influence of the judges in any way will not be tolerated.
 17. Established uniform dress for 4-H boys and girls: must wear khaki or green trousers and khaki or white shirt; green or black tie, neckerchief or bolo is optional.
 18. The completion of an entry form indicates acceptance of these rules and regulations.
- If you have any questions, please call the chairperson at 410-310-8421.

CLASSES:

Showmanship

0. Ages 5 to 7 as of Jan 1
1. Junior 8-10 years as of Jan 1
2. Intermediate 11-13 years as of Jan 1
3. Senior 14-18 years as of Jan 1

BREED CLASSES:

4. All poultry will be shown in a class with its own breed.

EGGS:

5. 1 dz White
6. 1 dz Brown
7. 1 dz Colored

Eggs must be in egg cartons and brought day of show.

To register, go online to **fairentury.com**. Click: Find Your Fair, select Maryland, and click Talbot County Fair, Talbot 4-H families sign in using 4-H Online accounts and open exhibitors sign in directly through FairEntry.

LIVESTOCK

(Open)

GENERAL RULES - See individual show descriptions below for livestock entry dates and times.

1. **All purebred animals for exhibition must be owned and registered in the exhibitor's name.**
2. To be eligible to receive any awards, exhibitors must exhibit an approved animal and keep the animal clean and attractive at all times. Chairpersons reserve the right of ruling on these provisions.
3. **All entries are subject to the health regulations of the Maryland Department of Animal Health. The Talbot County Fair and Talbot Agriculture and Education Center reserve the right to include additional health requirements.**
4. **Livestock entries at the Fairgrounds must be accompanied by current certificate of veterinary inspection, Maryland 4-H self-certification form (complete self-certification at home immediately before loading to go to the fair), proof of any required testing and immunization, and any required registration papers. All required documents must be presented BEFORE livestock is unloaded.**
5. No more than 2 animals may be entered in any class by the same exhibitor. **Entry fee \$5 per animal.**
6. In the event that livestock classes of similar nature do not have sufficient entries to warrant individual competition, these classes may be combined. Exhibitors will receive cash awards for original classes.
7. **Fitting and Showing classes will be limited to 4-H and FFA members.**
 - a. Fitting of Animals
 1. Body Condition. Includes quality of the hide and general condition of the animal. Over-conditioned and under-conditioned animals should receive slight to serious discrimination.
 2. Grooming. Includes cleanliness of animal; proper clipping; smooth, well-polished horns; well-trimmed feet and a glossy coat of hair. Improperly groomed animals should receive slight to serious discrimination.
 - b. Performance in Show Ring
 1. Performance of animals. Animals should stop, start, and post in satisfactory manner.
 2. Ability to show animals other than own. Good showmen are at ease when handling any properly trained animal.
 3. Alertness of showman. Doing the right thing at the right time is important. Follow the judge's instructions.)
 4. Sportsmanship of showman. Includes courtesy.
 5. Personal appearance of showman. A neat personal appearance helps to round out the picture of a good showman.
 6. Established uniform dress: When showing in 4-H and FFA Shows - Dairy, Dairy Goat, Dairy Steers: white or khaki slacks or skirt, white shirt and green or black tie. Meat Goat, Beef, Sheep, Swine - khaki or white slacks or skirt; white shirt and green or black tie
8. Exhibitors must be neatly dressed when showing animals.
9. **Each livestock exhibitor is responsible for bringing straw or shavings and cleaning his or her stalls before leaving the fairgrounds.**
10. If open class exhibitors have a specific need to stay overnight with their livestock, they must receive approval in advance from their parents, the livestock chairperson, and the Talbot County Fair. To obtain permission, exhibitors must complete and return a Code of Conduct form and a Talbot County Fair Permission to Stay Overnight form. Request these forms from the fair superintendent and complete and return these forms to the fair. Be sure to keep a copy of each form and return the other copy.
11. **Talbot 4-H members who also plan to show in open class must ALSO register in the appropriate open classes online AND pay the open class entry fees the same way that all other open participants do.**



DAIRY SHOW

(Open)

Judged: Friday, July 11, 6:00 p.m.

Chairperson: Kara Hutchison

(410) 924-7275

RULES

1. Online registration and entry fees are due by **Friday, June 6**. Pay your fees online or pay in cash when you arrive to enter your animals in the show.
2. Exhibitors are required to enter their dairy cattle **Friday, July 1** anytime between **8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.** Animals will be released after the show.
3. **Each exhibitor is responsible for bringing straw or shavings and cleaning his/her stalls before leaving the fairgrounds.**
4. Talbot 4-H members who plan to show in open class too must ALSO register in the appropriate open classes online AND pay the open class entry fees the same way that all other open participants do. Remember that for dairy you can only enter your registered purebred animals in open.

FITTING AND SHOWING CLASSES

Fitting and Showing Classes will be limited to 4-H and FFA members. Age determined as of January 1 of current year.

15021. Fitting and Showing, Senior
(14–18 years)—Ribbon
15022. Fitting and Showing, Intermediate
(11–13 years)—Ribbon
15023. Fitting and Showing, Junior
(8–10 years)—Ribbon
15024. Fitting and Showing, Novice
(first year showing, 8 years or older)—
Ribbon
- Champion Fitting and Showing—Rosette
Reserve Champion Fitting and Showing—Rosette

15005. Heifer Spring Yearling
born **03-01-24** to **05-31-24**

15006. Heifer Winter Yearling
born **12-01-23** to **02-28-24**

15007. Heifer Fall Yearling
born **09-01-23** to **11-30-23**
Junior Champion—Rosette
Junior Reserve Champion—Rosette

15008. Cow, Jr., 2 Year Old
born **03-01-23** to **08-31-23**

15009. Cow, Sr., 2 Year Old
born **09-01-22** to **02-28-23**

15010. Cow, Jr., 3 Year Old
born **03-01-22** to **08-31-22**

15011. Cow, Sr., 3 Year Old
born **09-01-21** to **02-28-22**

15012. Cow, 4 Years Old and Older
born before **08-31-21**

15013. Dry Cow Class—must have freshened at least once.
Senior Champion—Rosette
Senior Reserve Champion—Rosette
Grand Champion—Rosette and Trophy or
Special Award

CLASS

15001. Heifer Spring Calf
born on or after **03-01-25**
15002. Heifer Winter Calf
born **12-01-24** to **02-28-25**
15003. Heifer Fall Calf
born **09-01-24** to **11-30-24**
15004. Heifer Summer Yearling
born **06-01-24** to **08-31-24**

To register, go online to **faireentry.com**.

Click: Find Your Fair, select Maryland, and click Talbot County Fair.
Open exhibitors create a FairEntry account and then register exhibits.



BEEF SHOW

(Open)

Judged: Saturday, July 12, 10:00 a.m.

Chairperson: Susan Behrens

410-310-6844

DAIRY STEERS

RULES

1. Online registration and entry fees are due **Friday, June 6**. Pay your fees online or pay in cash when you arrive to enter your animals in the show.
2. Exhibitors are required to enter their dairy steers **Saturday, July 12** from **7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.** Dairy Steers will be released after the show.
3. **Each exhibitor is responsible for bringing straw and/or shavings and cleaning stalls before leaving the fairgrounds.**
4. Talbot 4-H members who plan to show in open class too must ALSO register in the appropriate open classes online AND pay the open class entry fees the same way that all other open participants do.

FITTING AND SHOWING CLASSES

Fitting and Showing Classes will be limited to 4-H and FFA members. Age determined as of January 1 of the current year.

- 25021. Fitting and Showing, Senior (14–18 years)—Ribbon
- 25022. Fitting and Showing, Intermediate (11–13 years)—Ribbon
- 25023. Fitting and Showing, Junior (8–10 years)—Ribbon
- 25024. Fitting and Showing, Novice (first year showing, 8 years or older)—Ribbon

Champion Fitting and Showing—Rosette
Reserve Champion Fitting and Showing—Rosette

To register, go online to **fairentury.com**. Click: Find Your Fair, select Maryland, and click Talbot County Fair. Open exhibitors create a FairEntry account and then register exhibits.

RULES

1. Calf must be born on or after **January 1, 2025**.
2. Calf will weigh no more than 700 pounds by show day.
3. Steers will be weighed the day of the show and placed into the appropriate classes.
4. Steers will be judged as finished and ready for market.

CLASS

25001. Feeder Calves

25002. Lightweight Steers, 12 months old or less

25003. Heavyweight Steers, 13 months to 24 months old

Champion—Trophy or Special Award
Reserve Champion—Rosette

BEEF CATTLE

RULES

1. Online registration and entry fees are due by **Friday, June 6**. Pay your fees online or pay in cash when you arrive to enter your animals in the show.
2. Exhibitors are required to enter their beef cattle **Saturday, July 12** from **7:30 a.m.–9:00 a.m.** Beef cattle will be released after the show.
3. **Each exhibitor is responsible for bringing straw and/or shavings and cleaning stalls before leaving the fairgrounds.**
4. Talbot 4-H members who plan to show in open class too must ALSO register in the appropriate open classes online AND pay the open class entry fees the same way that all other open participants do.

FITTING AND SHOWING CLASSES

Age determined as of January 1 of current year.

35021. Fitting and Showing, Senior
(14–18 years)—Ribbon
35022. Fitting and Showing, Intermediate
(11–13 years)—Ribbon
35023. Fitting and Showing, Junior
(8–10 years)—Ribbon
35024. Fitting and Showing, Novice
(first year showing, 8 years or older)—
Rosette
- Champion Fitting and Showing—Rosette
Reserve Champion Fitting and Showing—Rosette

HEIFERS

CLASS

Junior Heifer Calf

(If this heifer is shown here, it will not be eligible to be shown in Feeder Calf Class).

35001. Born **01-01-25** to **02-28-25**
35002. Born **03-01-25** to **04-30-25**
35003. Born **05-01-25** to **05-31-25**

Senior Heifer Calf

35004. Born **09-01-24** to **10-31-24**
35005. Born **11-01-24** to **12-31-24**

Summer Yearling

35006. Born **05-01-24** to **06-30-24**
35007. Born **07-01-24** to **08-31-24**

To register, go online to **faireentry.com**.
Click: Find Your Fair, select Maryland, and click
Talbot County Fair. Open exhibitors create a
FairEntry account and then register exhibits.

Junior Yearling

35008. Born **01-01-24** to **02-28-24**
35009. Born **03-01-24** to **04-30-24**

Senior Yearling

35010. Born **09-01-23** to **10-31-23**
35011. Born **11-01-23** to **12-31-23**
Champion—Rosette/Trophy or Special Award
Reserve Champion—Rosette
Supreme Heifer—Rosette

COW-CALF

35013. Cow-Calf Natural Class - nursing and
born on/after **01-01-25**.

FEEDER CALVES

RULES

1. Calf must be born on or after **01-01-25**.
2. Calf will weigh no more than 700 pounds by show day.
3. This class will be open to any breed, dairy beef included, steers or heifers only.

CLASS

35012. Feeder Calves

STEERS

RULES

1. Steers will be judged as finished and ready for market.
2. Animals will be weighed the day of the show and placed into the appropriate classes.

CLASS

35014. Market steers—steers will be divided into
classes by weight.
Champion—Trophy or Special Award
Reserve Champion—Rosette



MARKET HOG SHOW

(Open)

Judged: Thursday, July 10, 5:00 p.m.

Chairperson: Tresa Hutchison and Kara Hutchison

410-924-2259

RULES

1. Ownership of market hogs must be obtained by June 1.
2. Weight classes will be determined at the fair.
3. Each exhibitor will be limited to two hogs for the show. One of the two can also be entered in showmanship.
4. Online registration and entry fees are due by **Friday, June 6. Pay your fees online or pay in cash when you arrive to enter your animals in the show.**
5. Exhibitors are required to enter their hogs **Thursday, July 10** from **8:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.** Hogs will be released after the show.
6. **Exhibitors are responsible for bringing their own straw or shavings and cleaning their stalls before leaving the fairgrounds.**
7. NOTE: Talbot 4-H members who plan to show in open class too must ALSO register in the appropriate open classes online AND pay the open class entry fees the same way that all other open participants do.

FITTING AND SHOWING CLASSES

Fitting and Showing classes will be limited to 4-H and FFA members. Age determined as of Jan. 1 of current year.

- 45021. Fitting and Showing, Senior (14–18 years)—Ribbon
- 45022. Fitting and Showing, Intermediate (11–13 years)—Ribbon
- 45023. Fitting and Showing, Junior (8–10 years)—Ribbon
- 45024. Fitting and Showing, Novice (first year showing, 8 years or older)—Ribbon

Champion Fitting and Showing—Rosette
Reserve Champion Fitting and Showing—Rosette

MARKET CLASS

45001. Market Hogs—Hogs will be divided into classes by weight. Hogs will be weighed the day of the show.

Champion—Trophy or Special Award
Reserve Champion—Rosette

To register, go online to **fairentury.com**. Click: Find Your Fair, select Maryland, and click Talbot County Fair. Open exhibitors create a FairEntry account and then register exhibits.

MEAT AND PYGMY GOAT SHOW



(Open)

Judged: Friday, July 11, 5:00 p.m.

Chairperson: Tresa Hutchison

410-924-2259

RULES

1. Established uniform: White or khaki slacks or shirt, white shirt and green tie for 4-H and FFA fitting and showing classes.
2. Each exhibitor is responsible for bringing his/her own straw or shavings, and cleaning his/her stalls before leaving the fairgrounds.
3. Each exhibitor will be limited to six (6) goats for the show.
4. Online registration and entry fees are due **Friday, June 6. Pay your fees online or pay in cash when you arrive to enter your animals in the show.**
5. Exhibitors are required to enter their goats **Friday, July 11** from **11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.** Animals will be released after the show.
6. Talbot 4-H members who plan to show in open class too must ALSO register in the appropriate open classes online AND pay the open class entry fees the same way that all other open participants do. Animals will be weighed the day of the show and placed into appropriate classes.

FITTING AND SHOWING CLASSES

Fitting and Showing classes will be limited to 4-H and FFA members. Age determined as of Jan. 1 of current year.

- 75021. Fitting and Showing, Senior (14–18 years)—Ribbon
- 75022. Fitting and Showing, Intermediate (11–13 years)—Ribbon
- 75023. Fitting and Showing, Junior (8–10 years)—Ribbon
- 75024. Fitting and Showing, Novice (first year showing, 8 years or older)—Ribbon

Champion Fitting and Showing—Rosette
Reserve Champion Fitting and Showing—Rosette

To register, go online to **fairentry.com**. Click: Find Your Fair, select Maryland, and click Talbot County Fair. Open exhibitors create a FairEntry account and then register exhibits.

BREED CLASSES

Registered Commercial Breeds

Divisions (please include on entry form)

- R – Registered (Boer, Kiko, Spanish, Savanna – registered 75% and higher including purebred/fullblood)
- C – Commercial (registered 50% or crossbred/unregistered breeding meat goats)

CLASS

- 75001. Junior Doeling under 3 months
- 75002. Doeling 3 months to under 6 months
- 75003. Junior Yearling Doe 6 months to under 9 months
- 75004. Yearling Doe 9 months to under 12 months
- 75005. Yearling Doe 12 months to under 16 months

Champion—Rosette
Reserve Champion—Rosette

Senior Does

75006. Doe 16 months to under 20 months
75007. Doe 20 months to under 24 months
75008. Senior Doe 24 months to under 36 months
75009. Senior Doe 36 to under 48 months
75010. Senior Doe 4 years old and older

Senior Champion Doe—Rosette
Senior Reserve Champion Doe—Rosette

MARKET GOATS CLASS

75014. Market Goats—Goats will be divided into
classes by weight. Goats will be weighed the
day of the show.

Grand Champion Market Goat—Trophy or Special
Award
Reserve Champion Market Goat—Rosette

PYGMY GOATS

CLASS

85001. Doe 0 to 6 months
85002. Doe 7 to 12 months
85003. Doe 1 to 2 years
85004. Doe 2 to 3 years
85005. Doe 3 years and older
85006. Wether 0 to 6 months
85007. Wether 7 to 12 months
85008. Wether 1 to 2 years
85009. Wether 2 to 3 years
85010. Wether 3 years old and older

Grand Champion Pygmy Goat—Rosette
Reserve Champion Pygmy Goat—Rosette



DAIRY GOAT SHOW

(Open Show)

Judged: **Saturday, July 12, 10:00 a.m.**

Combined Senior/Junior Doe Show

Chairperson: Tresa Hutchison and Jane Bailey

(410) 924-2259, (443) 988-1325

RULES

1. The show is sanctioned by the American Dairy Goat Association and their rules shall govern. The Combined Senior and Junior Doe shows are sanctioned for the following breeds to be shown in this order: Saanens, Oberhasli, Recorded Grade, Nubian, All Other Purebreds (Alpine, Toggenburg, Sables, Guernsey), Nigerian Dwarf, and LaMancha. No horned animals allowed. The combined Senior and Junior Doe shows are not separately sanctioned.
2. Online registration is due by **Friday, June 6. Pay fees online while registering or pay them in cash when you enter your animals the day of the show. Fee is \$10 per animal.** There will be no refund of entry fees for any reason. Substitutions will be allowed within the same breed and show. There is no limit to the number of animals that can be shown by an exhibitor, but only two premiums will be paid per exhibitor per class. In addition, in order to receive premiums and championship legs, all animals must have readable tattoos. EID will be accepted as secondary identification according to ADGA rules. Exhibitor must provide reader. Animals entered in showmanship classes must be entered in their breed classes.
3. No-tie stalling will be allowed. Exhibitors are responsible for providing enough help to hold animals not in pens or trailers, ringside. There are no pens for open exhibitors. Be prepared to work from your trailer and there will be holding pens ringside while each breed is showing. Some power hookups are available. Bring your own power cords and shade. Exhibitors must furnish their own feed, water, hay, and bedding.
4. The base date is **July 12, 2025**, which is the date the animal is to be judged.
5. The original registration certificate is required for all animals and must be shown to the show secretary before the show. The original registration for all animals under six months must be shown to the show secretary before the start of the show. No copies of the registration certificate or the stamped duplicate application or phone calls will be accepted in lieu of the original certificate, except ADGA rules shall govern as to stamped duplicates at the time of the show.
6. Goats must be checked in **Saturday, July 12 between 7:30 and 9:00 a.m.** All animals must have a collar. Animals will be released after the show.
7. The Show Committee, Talbot County Fair Board, Talbot Agriculture and Education Center, and the ADGA will not be responsible for loss, damage, or accident to any person, animal, or property.
8. The show order is subject to change at the discretion of the show chairperson, if needed, to facilitate the progress of the show. However, in no event will the show start earlier than the scheduled start time.
9. Exhibitor shall be defined as the name at it appears on the original ADGA registration certificate. No entries will be allowed under various individual names that do not appear on the ADGA certificate at check-in. Maximum entry of two animals per exhibitor per class will be paid premiums.

CLASSES – Classes will be set up by breed

Junior Doe Classes

01. Junior Kid 0-6 months
02. Senior Kid 6-12 months
03. Dry Yearling 12-24 months

Junior Champion Doe (not a premium class)

Senior Doe Classes

04. Milker under 2 years
05. Milker 2-3 years
06. Milker 3-4 years
07. Milker 4-5 years
08. Milker 5 years and older

Senior Champion and Reserve (not a premium class)

09. Champion Challenge

Best Doe in Show (not a premium class)

This class concludes the ADGA Senior/Junior Combined Show.

MINIATURE DAIRY GOAT SHOW

(Open Show)

Judged: Saturday, July 12 following the completion of the Dairy Goat Show

Combined Senior/Junior Doe Show

Chairperson: Tresa Hutchison and Jane Bailey

(410) 924-2259, (443) 988-1325

Rules and Regulations:

1. The show is sanctioned by the Miniature Dairy Goat Association and their rules shall govern. The Combined Senior and Junior doe shows are sanctioned for the following breeds to be shown in this order: Mini Nubian, AOM (Mini Alpine, Mini Guernsey, Mini Oberhasli, Mini Saanen, Mini Toggenburg), Mini LaMancha, No horned animals allowed. The combined Senior and Junior doe shows are not separately sanctioned.
2. Online registration is due **Friday, June 6. Pay fees online while registering or pay them in cash when you enter your animals the day of the show. Fee is \$10 per animal.** There will be no refund of entry fees for any reason. Substitutions will be allowed within the same breed and show. There is no limit to the number of animals that can be shown by an exhibitor, but only 2 premiums will be paid per exhibitor per class. All animals must be tattooed with assigned tattoo numbers or microchipped before arrival at the show. No tattoos or EIDs (microchips) should be applied at the show. Owners of animals with EID (microchips) must have a microchip reader available at the show. Champion and Reserve Champion animals will not receive official awards if the tattoo or microchip cannot be read. *Tattoo(s) and/or EIDs are allowed as primary identification and must match the recorded information exactly on the registration certificate to receive credit for an official "leg". If the tattoo is correct but in the wrong location, MDGA will award the Championship but without the "official leg". If the identification is incorrect for that animal, said animal will be disqualified.
3. No tie stalling will be allowed. Exhibitors are responsible for providing enough help to hold animals not in pens or trailers, ringside. There are no pens for open exhibitors. Be prepared to work from your trailer and there will be holding pens ringside while each breed is showing. Some power hookups are available. Bring your own power cords and shade.
4. Eligibility to participate in an MDGA-sanctioned Live Show requires that you be a current MDGA member in good standing.
5. Exhibitors must furnish their own feed, water, hay and bedding.
6. The base date is **July 12, 2025** which is the date the animal is to be judged.
7. For all entries in a sanctioned show, either a registration certificate or an email from the registrar showing that an application for registration has been submitted to the registry must be presented to the show secretary or appointed trustee at the time of check-in.
8. Goats must be checked in **Saturday, July 12 between 7:30 and 9:00 a.m.** All animals must have a collar.
9. The Show Committee, Talbot County Fair Board, Talbot Agriculture and Education Center, and the MDGA will not be responsible for loss, damage, or accident to any person, animal, or property.
10. The show order is subject to change at the discretion of the show chairman, if needed, to facilitate the progress of the show.
11. Exhibitor shall be defined as the name as it appears on the official MDGA registration certificate. No entries will be allowed under various individual names that do not appear on the MDGA certificate at check in. Maximum entry of 2 animals per exhibitor per class will be paid premiums.

CLASSES – Classes will be set up by breed

Junior Doe Classes

- 01 Junior Kid 0-6 months
- 02 Senior Kid 6-12 months
- 03 Dry Yearling 12-24 months

Junior Champion Doe (Not a premium class)

Senior Doe Classes:

- 04 Milkers under 2 years
- 05 Milkers 2-3 years
- 06 Milkers 3-4 years
- 07 Milkers 4-5 years
- 08 Milkers 5 years and older

Senior Champion and Reserve (Not a premium class)

Best Doe in Show (Not a premium class)

09 Best Udder in Show



SHEEP SHOW

(Open)

Judged: Saturday, July 12, 2:00 p.m.

Chairperson: Susan Behrens

410-310-6844

RULES

1. Online registration and entry fees are due **Friday, June 6**. Pay your fees online or pay in cash when you arrive to enter your animals in the show.
2. Exhibitors are required to enter their sheep **Saturday, July 12** from **7:30 a.m.–9:00 a.m.** Sheep will be released after the show.
3. **Each exhibitor is responsible for bringing straw or shavings and cleaning stalls before leaving the fairgrounds.**
4. Shearing of sheep is not permitted on the fairgrounds during fair week.
5. Talbot 4-H members who plan to show in open class too must ALSO register in the appropriate open classes online AND pay the open class entry fees the same way that all other open participants do.

FITTING AND SHOWING CLASSES

Fitting and Showing classes will be limited to 4-H and FFA members. Age determined as of January 1 of current year.

65021. Fitting and Showing, Senior
(14-18 years)—Ribbon

65022. Fitting and Showing, Intermediate
(11-13 years)—Ribbon

65023. Fitting and Showing, Junior
(8-10 years)—Ribbon

65024. Fitting and Showing, Novice (first year showing, 8 years or older)—Ribbon

Champion Fitting and Showing—Rosette

Reserve Champion Fitting and Showing—Rosette

MARKET LAMBS

65008. Market Lambs—Lambs will be divided into classes by weight. Lambs will be weighed the day of the show.

Champion—Trophy or Special Award

Reserve Champion—Rosette

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Section 3: Indoor Exhibits Departments

- Agricultural Products
- Vegetables and Fruit
- Crafts/Hobbies and Art
- Electricity and Woodworking
- Photography
- Food Preservation
- Baked Foods
- Home Furnishings and Needlework
- Clothing
- Flowers and Plants



**DEPARTMENT CC
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(OPEN)**

No entry: saved for FALL fair day

FIELD CROPS

RULES

1. One entry per class.
2. Field crop exhibits will be judged on quality, uniformity and freedom from disease and insect damage.
3. GRAIN: Exhibits shall consist of one quart of grain in a clear glass jar with a lid. Jars must be free of printing, labels, advertisements; except for a 3x5 card attached to the exhibit with string or tape. The following information must be printed on the card:
 - a. Variety (e.g. Potomac Wheat)
 - b. Was the seed "certified"?
 - c. How much nitrogen was applied? On what date?
 - d. What crop was grown on this land last year?
 - e. Intended use (e.g. used on farm, saved for seed, sold, other – indicate what)
4. HAY: Hay must be cured below 20% moisture. Alfalfa or clover hay with more than 10% grass will be classified as mixed. Exhibits shall consist of a bundle approx. 18"x18"x 6" in size. Bundle must be securely tied 4 ways for hanging. **Attach a 3x5 card to the exhibit with string or tape. The following information must be printed on the card:**
 - Variety and Species (e.g. WL323 Alfalfa benchmark Orchard grass)—if mixed, indicate main composition.
 - Was the seed "certified"?
 - Date of seeding (month/year) and which cutting
 - What crop was grown on this land last year?
 - Intended use (e.g. used on farm, saved for seed. sold, other - indicate what)
5. Items cannot be entered if they were entered in previous years.

CLASS

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| 1. Corn, 4 ear sample – yellow | 16. Hay, mixed – 18"x18"x6" |
| 2. Corn, 3 stalks with ears | 17. Hay, other – 18"x18"x6" |
| 3. Corn, shelled, 1 quart | 18. Straw, any variety - 18"x18"x6" |
| 4. Best single ear corn | |
| 5. Oats, bundle | |
| 6. Wheat, bundle | |
| 7. Barley, bundle | |
| 8. Wheat, 1 quart | |
| 9. Barley, 1 quart | |
| 10. Oats, 1 quart | |
| 11. Soybeans, 1 quart | |
| 12. Grain, other, 1 quart | |
| 13. Sunflower, large for seed harvest, 3 cut in container | |
| 14. Hay, alfalfa – 18"x18"x6" | |
| 15. Hay, clover – 18"x18"x6" | |

EGGS

(Adults only: Youth enter eggs in poultry show)

RULES

1. One entry per class.
2. Eggs will be judged on internal and external qualities, not size.
3. All eggs must be exhibited in egg cartons.

CLASS

19. One Dozen, White, in carton
20. One Dozen, Brown, in carton
21. One Dozen, Other Color, in carton

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HONEY

RULES

1. One entry per class.
2. All honey and beeswax must have been produced by the exhibitor within a 15-month period prior to entry.
3. All honey exhibited must have been gathered and ripened in a natural way by honey bees.
4. All extracted honey entries must be exhibited in 1 pound glass jars.
5. All chunk and finely granulated honey entries must be exhibited in jars of one pound or more capacity.
6. All section comb honey entries must be wrapped in clear cellophane.

CLASS

22. White to extra light amber extracted honey - 1 lb. jar
23. Light amber to amber extracted honey - 1 lb. jar
24. Dark extracted honey - 1 lb. jar
25. Section comb honey - light or dark -2 sections
26. Chunk honey - 1 lb. jar



DEPARTMENT DD

VEGETABLES and FRUIT

(OPEN)

RULES

1. One entry per class. **Exhibitors need to predict which of their vegetables and fruit will be mature by the fair entry date and pre-register for ALL of those classes.** At fair entry, mature items may be entered and immature items may be crossed off the list.
2. All exhibits must have been grown by the exhibitor. For more detailed exhibiting instructions, contact the Extension office.
3. **Basis for Judging: Free from injury, damage, disease, insects; uniform in size, shape and color; but market size and quality, maturity (not over mature); true to variety type, cultural perfection, clean.**

CLASS

01. Beets, topped - 5
02. Broccoli - 1 bunch
04. Cabbage, green - 1 head
05. Cantaloupe - 1
06. Carrots (topped) - 5
07. Cucumber, salad - 3
08. Cucumber, pickling - 5
09. Eggplant - any variety - 1
11. Kale - 1 bunch
13. Onions - white - 5
14. Onions - yellow - 5
15. Peppers - Bell type - 5
16. Peppers - other sweet variety- 5
17. Peppers - any hot variety - 5
18. Potatoes - any red variety - 5
19. Potatoes - any white variety - 5
20. Beans - green snap - 10
21. Beans - yellow snap - 10
23. Squash - crookneck - 3
24. Squash - patty pan - 3
25. Squash - yellow straight neck - 3
26. Squash - zucchini - 3
27. Sweet corn - white - 5
28. Sweet corn - yellow - 5

29. Tomatoes - any red slicing variety - 5
30. Tomatoes - any yellow slicing variety - 5
31. Tomatoes - cherry or grape - 10
32. Tomatoes - any green slicing variety - 5
33. Watermelon - oblong - 1
34. Watermelon - sugar baby - 1
35. Miscellaneous vegetables, specify*
36. Miscellaneous fruit, specify
37. Vegetable garden display**
38. Herb, label variety—1 bunch (6 stalks in water)

*Miscellaneous vegetable or fruit - Number of specimens in exhibit should be consistent with similar varieties above: they should demonstrate consistency for the variety and make an adequate display. Variety must be identified.

**This class is for a display of any kind of variety of vegetables from the home garden or farm. It is suggested that the vegetables used in this exhibit be limited to those listed above. Each exhibitor is limited to one entry. Judging of these exhibits will be on the following basis:

50 % for quality of vegetables
25 % for attractiveness and educational value
25 % for number and variety of vegetables

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DEPARTMENT EE CRAFTS AND ART (OPEN)

RULES

1. Maximum of one entry per class.
2. Craft entries will be evaluated based on the following definition of quality craft: quality craft reflects the craftsman's imagination and skill in creating decorative and/or useful items from appropriate designs and materials.
3. All artwork identified as ready to hang, must be mounted with hanger attached, no less than 8 1/2" X 11" and no greater than 24" X 36" for 13 years old and under, no less than 8 1/2" X 11" and no greater than 36" X 48" for ages 14 and older. Frames are suggested for all artwork, but mat boards with hangers are the minimum accepted.
4. All needlework is to be entered in the home furnishings Department.
5. If an item is made from a kit, photocopy instructions and attach to project.

CLASS

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| 03. Painting, acrylic or tempera – ready to hang (not paint by numbers) | 27. Recycled Craft |
| 04. Painting, water color - ready to hang | 28. Stained Glass article |
| 05. Painting, pastels - ready to hang | 34. Decorative painting, 3-D not suitable for framing |
| 06. Pencil drawing, black and white mounted and ready to hang | 35. Tie dyeing |
| 07. Pencil drawing, color - mounted and ready to hang | 36. Holiday craft – not Christmas ornament |
| 08. Oil painting - mounted and ready to hang | 37. Jewelry, kit – include instructions |
| 09. Mosaics, glass, seeds, tiles, etc. | 38. Jewelry, original |
| 10. Collage, cloth, paper, mixed media-framed - ready to hang | 41. Stamping |
| 11. Modeling clay, plaster, etc. | 43. Heritage craft - include history of craft |
| 12. Sculpture; stone, metal, wire, etc. | 45. Miscellaneous - No entries will be accepted if they conform to above classes. Identify craft type. |
| 13. Ceramics; made from a mold – fired | |
| 14. Original pillow | |
| 15. Rock or shell craft | |
| 16. Basketry (homemade only, not purchased) | |
| 17. Holiday tree ornament | |
| 18. Model – original | |
| 19. Model – kit (directions attached) | |
| 20. Sand art (no plants) | |
| 21. Weaving using loom | |

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DEPARTMENT FF WOODWORKING (OPEN)

RULES

1. Maximum of one entry per class.
2. All items made from kits must be entered in class 7.
3. Basis for Judging Woodworking: quality of workmanship, difficulty of construction, suitable finish, general characteristics and originality of design.
4. **A plan, blueprint, working drawing or sketch used in construction, or refinishing method and a “before” photograph, must accompany each article, along with a statement of intended use.**

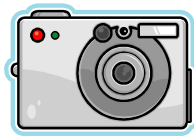
Enclose plans in an envelope list the exhibitor's name, county and class. Attach envelope to exhibit securely with string or tape.

CLASS

07. Woodworking kit item

11. Large wooden outdoor item (any dimension 22" or more)
12. Small wooden outdoor item (any dimension less than 22")
13. Large wooden indoor item (any dimension 22" or more)
14. Small wooden indoor item (any dimension less than 22")
15. Wooden item for farm/shop use
19. Wooden toy
24. Refinished wooden item
27. Other - wooden item that does not fit in one of the above classes

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DEPARTMENT GG PHOTOGRAPHY (OPEN)

RULES

1. One entry per class.
2. Prints must be mounted on stiff mat board. No poster board will be accepted.
3. **PHOTOS DO NOT NEED TO BE READY TO HANG FOR THE TALBOT COUNTY FAIR.**
4. Minimum Size

Photo Size	Mat Size
5" x 7"	8" x 10"
8" x 10"	11" x 14"
11" x 14"	16" x 20"
Sequence	16" x 20"
5. **Attach (with paper clips) a white 3" x 5" file card to lower right corner, edge flush, with the following information typed on it: title of picture, date picture taken, name of camera, type of camera, kind of film used/digital.**
6. Basis for Judging: composition (40%). Story- telling ability (30%), photographic quality (20%), developing and printing (5% except class 110, 210, 310), mounting (5%)
7. Photos not meeting the above guidelines will be disqualified.

COLOR

CLASS:

01. Building
02. Landscape
03. Seascape
04. People - individual
05. People - 2 or more
06. Animals
07. Flowers or plants
08. Sequence of two to four pictures telling a story.
12. Photo of Maryland – a photo that captures the spirit of the state.
13. Digitally altered images. Attach a 3x5 card explaining how the image was altered

BLACK AND WHITE

CLASS:

14. Building
15. Landscape
16. Seascape
17. People, individual
18. People, 2 or more
19. Animals
20. Flowers/Plants
21. Sequence of two to four pictures telling a story
25. Photo of Maryland – a photo that captures the spirit of the state.
26. Digitally-altered images. Attach a 3x5 card explaining how the image was altered.

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DEPARTMENT HH FOOD PRESERVATION (OPEN)

No entry: saved for FALL fair day

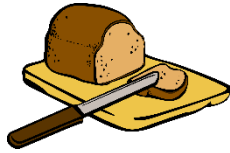
RULES

1. One entry per class.
2. For fruits, tomatoes and pickled vegetables, use a boiling water bath canner. You can process these acid foods safely in boiling water. A pressure canner must have been used for all vegetables except tomatoes and pickles. To process the low acid food safely in a reasonable length of time takes a temperature higher than that of boiled water.
3. Both standard and wide-mouthed regulation canning jars in clear glass are acceptable.
4. Rims or rings are to be left on jars. Label each jar clearly as to product, date of processing, type of pack, type of processing, and time processed.
5. Judges reserve the right to open canned products if necessary to make the best decisions.
6. Entries will consist of 1 jar unless otherwise specified.
7. Basis for judging canned fruits: texture-ripeness and clearness, uniformity-pieces of same size, shape and color, pack-good proportion of liquids and solids, container standard.
8. Basis for judging canned vegetables: maturity of product, pack, uniformity, texture, container.
9. Basis for judging juice: color and clearness, consistency.
10. Basis for judging pickles: uniformity, texture, color, liquid, container, pack.

CLASS

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| 01. Applesauce | 15. Tomatoes – whole |
| 02. Berries | 16. Tomato juice |
| 03. Cherries | 17. Sliced cucumber sweet pickle |
| 04. Grape – juice | 19. Sour or dill pickles |
| 05. Peaches | 20. Relish (mixed vegetables) |
| 06. Pears | 21. Pickle, any other (name) |
| 08. Beans – green or wax | 22. Jelly |
| 09. Beans – lima | 23. Jam |
| 11. Beets – sliced with or w/o vinegar | 24. Preserves |
| 12. Beets – whole with or w/o vinegar | 25. Dried Fruit |
| 14. Tomatoes – broken in juice | 26. Dried Vegetable |
| | 27. Dried Herbs |
| | 28. Jerky |

To register, go online to **fairentree.com**. Click: Find Your Fair, select Maryland, and click Talbot County Fair. Open exhibitors create a FairEntry account and then register exhibits.



DEPARTMENT I I BAKED GOODS (OPEN)

Exhibitors may enter whole or half of cakes, loaves of bread, and coffee cakes. Each entry is to be the individual work of exhibitor, therefore matching halves have no place for entry. Entries of 1/2 pies will not be accepted. Box mixes may not be used.

RULES

1. One entry per class.
2. A recipe must be included for all entries. Include list of ingredients, the amounts and procedures for preparing a product. Recipe cards must be printed or typed. **EXHIBITS WITHOUT RECIPE CARDS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED!!**
3. Basis for Judging Baked Goods: Outside appearance: shape, crust or surface, volume, uniform size, biscuits, cookies, etc. 1-1/2" to 2-1/2": diameter. Inside appearance: texture, grain, color, eating quality: flavor, aroma.
4. Basis for judging frosting: consistency, flavor, distribution, style, color.
5. Following judging - A slice of cake must be left; the rest may be taken home or donated to auction.

CLASS

CAKES

- 01. 2-layer butter cake, iced
- 04. Cupcakes, iced – 4
- 07. Angel food cake, no icing
- 08. Sponge cake, no icing
- 09. Pound cake, no icing or layers
- 13. Chiffon cake
- 15. Jelly roll

DECORATED CAKES

The whole cake may not exceed 9" wide x 13" long x 12" high. All decorations must be edible. Cake and icing recipes must be included.

- 38. Special Occasion - decorated for a special event: wedding, birthday, anniversary, etc.
- 39. Novelty - decorated to carry out an idea; may be shaped/decorated to resemble an animal, person or idea (i.e. pizza, bunny, etc.) It is not a birthday, shower or other special occasion cake.

BREADS

- 25. Gluten-free quick bread
- 26. Muffins – 4
- 27. Coffee cake, non-yeast
- 28. Cheese bread
- 29. Yeast rolls, plain – 4
- 30. Yeast rolls, cinnamon – 4
- 31. Yeast loaf, white
- 32. Yeast loaf, other
- 33. Yeast loaf, whole wheat
- 34. Loaf, fruit, vegetable or nut

PIES **No entry: pies saved for FALL fair day**

- 35. Pie shell, no filling
- 36. Fruit pie, double crust
- 37. Fruit pie, crumb crust top

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COOKIES (4 in plastic bag)

- 16. Brownies with or without nuts
- 17. Drop cookies
- 18. Refrigerator cookies
- 19. Rolled cookies
- 20. Bar cookies (no brownies)
- 21. Molded or shaped cookies (by hand)
- 22. Pressed cookies
- 23. Fancy cookies (filled, iced, for parties, etc.)



DEPARTMENT JJ

HOME FURNISHINGS AND NEEDLEWORK

(OPEN)

RULES

1. Maximum of one entry per class.
2. If item is made from a kit, please specify.

CLASS: CROCHETING

- 01. Afghan
- 04. Bedspread
- 06. Pillow, original design
- 07. Miscellaneous, specify

CLASS: EMBROIDERY (must identify hand or machine stitching on entry tag)

- 08. Picture or wall hanging
- 09. Pillow
- 13. Embroidered clothing item
- 14. Home furnishing item
- 15. Kitchen item
- 18. Needlepoint item
- 22. Plastic canvas item

CLASS: KNITTING

- 23. Afghan
- 26. Bedspread
- 27. Pillow
- 28. Miscellaneous Item

CLASS: QUILTING (exhibitor must identify who did the quilting on entry tag)

- 29. Antique quilt with typed story
- 30. Wall hanging
- 31. Appliqued or embroidered quilt
- 32. Patchwork quilt
- 33. Novelty quilt
- 34. Patchwork quilted pillow top
- 35. Appliqued quilted pillow top
- 36. Novelty quilted pillow top
- 37. Mixed techniques

CLASS: WREATHS

- 44. Christmas
- 45. Floral Decorations
- 46. Non-Floral Decoration

CLASS: SEWN HOME FURNISHINGS

- 49. Tablecloth
- 50. Bedspread or comforter
- 51. Accent pillow
- 52. Pillow cases
- 54. Set of 4 placemats
- 55. Table runner
- 56. Window treatment
- 57. Miscellaneous item, not listed

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DEPARTMENT KK CLOTHING (OPEN)

RULES

1. Maximum of 1 entry per class.
2. **Please safety pin or otherwise secure your entry tag to clothing items at home before entering them.**
3. Garments must be on hangers.
4. Clear plastic garment bags may be provided by exhibitor to protect garments.
5. All clothing must have been completed after **August 1, 2024** and must be the work of the exhibitor.
6. Judging criteria:
 - quality of workmanship
 - coordination of fabric and pattern
 - personal creativity
 - cleanliness

CLASS

01. Clothing accessory – tote bag, purse, etc.
02. Clothing accessory – belt, scarf, tie, hat
03. Simple shirt
04. Shirt/blouse – with details
05. Vest
06. Skirt, any style
07. Shorts, pants, or capris, any style
08. Apron
09. Pajamas, sleepwear, robe
10. Simple Dress
11. Sportswear, jogging, sweat suit, beach cover, swim wear
12. Dress – collar and/or sleeves- with details
13. Two-piece outfit – bottom and vest; pants, skirt, dress, capris and vest
14. Two-piece outfit – bottom and shirt; pants, skirt, dress, capris and shirt
15. Two-piece outfit – bottom and jacket; skirt, pants, capris, dress and jacket
16. Outerwear simple jacket, poncho, cape
17. Tailored jacket or coat – lined
19. Evening wear – short or long
22. Miscellaneous clothing item not mentioned above
23. Complete outfit for a doll

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DEPARTMENT LL FLOWERS AND PLANTS (OPEN)

RULES

1. One entry of one variety per class
2. Exhibitor must provide container for arrangements, houseplants and specimens. Containers for specimens must be transparent (clear).
3. Houseplants and terrariums should have been established in the pot or container at least one month.
4. Basis for judging flowering plants: cultural perfection - clean, free from pests; size of plant (suitable to variety); abundance of flowers, rarity, good soil mixture and color.
5. Basis for judging foliage plants: cultural perfection, size of plant suitable to variety, rarity, foliage, shape or form, container size in proportion to plant.
6. Basis for judging arrangements: good design-balance, scale, proportion; good use of color combinations, avoiding clashing colors; good relationship to materials, materials are not too skimpy, too crowded or out of scale with container; originality, flowers in good condition.
7. Basis for judging corsages: use of silk flowers is acceptable; good use of color combinations avoiding clashing colors; foliage, suitability of combination of material, condition and pleasing pattern.

CLASS:

Specimen (3 flowers, 1 per stem)

01. Asters
02. Calendulas
03. Cosmos
04. Daisies
05. Gladiolus
06. Marigolds under 1.5" in diameter
07. Marigolds over 1.5" in diameter
08. Petunias
09. Sunflower- under 6" in diameter
10. Black eyed Susan
11. Roses
12. Snapdragons
13. Zinnias- small under 1.5" in diameter
14. Zinnias- large over 1.5" in diameter
15. Dahlias
16. Other specimen – specify (write) the type on the entry tag

Arrangements (fresh or silk flowers)

17. Dried
18. Line
19. Mass
20. Holiday

House Plants, Dish Gardens, and Terrariums

22. African violet
23. Begonia, flowering type
24. Cactus
25. Coleus
26. Geranium
27. Dish garden – minimum 3 plants
28. Philodendron – vine type
29. Snake plant
30. Terrarium
31. Hanging plant
32. Other houseplant – specify (write) the type on the entry tag
33. Outside container plants – 3 or more varieties

Corsages (fresh or silk flowers)

34. Nosegay
35. Spray type
36. Individual flower
37. Holiday

To register, go online to **faireentry.com**. Click: Find Your Fair, select Maryland, and click Talbot County Fair. Open exhibitors create a FairEntry account and then register exhibits.

Section 4: Fair Forms

- Animal Health Self-Certification Forms
 - Livestock
 - Rabbit
 - Poultry



Livestock Exhibitor's Self-Certification of Animal Health

I, the undersigned, hereby verify the following:

(Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

1. I am the **owner/authorized caretaker/transporter** (circle as applicable) of the animal(s) identified on the current, valid, "Certificate of Veterinary Inspection" (CVI) document.
2. I understand that animals showing any signs of, or having recent exposure to, contagious or infectious disease are not permitted to enter the fair/show premises. These conditions include but are not limited to the following:
 - ☐ SKIN: Visible evidence of skin infections such as *ringworm, warts, mange, lice, and club lamb fungus*.
 - ☐ HEAD: Discharge from the eyes or nose or evidence of *soremouth, pinkeye, atrophic rhinitis, caseous lymphadenitis*.
 - ☐ RESPIRATORY: Infectious respiratory disease (*pneumonia*)
 - ☐ INTESTINAL: Diarrhea
 - ☐ FEET: Contagious hoof infections such as *footrot*. Exhibition of lame animals is discouraged.
 - ☐ OTHER: Recent exposure to, or clinical signs of, any contagious or infectious disease conditions that would exclude livestock from exhibition.
3. I have read and understand the above guidelines.
4. I have visually examined the animals I am presenting for exhibit.
5. I agree not to present for exhibition animals showing any signs of contagious or infectious disease.

Date of inspection: _____ Number inspected _____ Signature _____

Printed Name _____ Event _____

(Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

Date of inspection: _____ Number inspected _____ Signature _____

Printed Name _____ Event _____

(Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

Date of inspection: _____ Number inspected _____ Signature _____

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Date of inspection: _____ Number inspected _____ Signature _____

Printed Name _____ Event _____

(Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)



Rabbit Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health

Name of Owner: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

I, the undersigned, hereby verify the following:

(Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

1. I am the **owner/authorized caretaker/transporter** (*circle as applicable*) of the rabbit(s) identified on this form, have been visually examined.
2. I understand that rabbits showing any signs of, or having recent exposure to (within 21 days), contagious or infectious disease are not permitted to enter the fair/show premises. These conditions include but are not limited to the following:
 - ☐ SKIN & HEAD: No visible evidence of skin infections, discharge for the eyes or nose or excessive head shaking with particular emphasis on *Ear mites, Fur mites, Myxomatosis, and Ringworm.*
 - ☐ REPRODUCTIVE: No signs of sexually transmitted diseases with particular emphasis on *Syphilis.*
 - ☐ RESPIRATORY: No signs of infectious respiratory disease such as sneezing, white nasal discharge or excessive tearing which are all common signs of *Snuffles.*
 - ☐ INTESTINAL: No evidence of soft droppings, soiling on rump or hocks consistent with *Diarrhea.*
 - ☐ OTHER: Recent exposure to, or clinical signs of, any contagious or infectious disease conditions that would exclude rabbits from exhibition. *Viral Hemorrhagic Disease (VHD)*
3. I have read and understand the above guidelines.
4. I have visually examined the animals I am presenting for exhibit.
5. I agree not to present for exhibition rabbits showing any signs of contagious or infectious disease.

#	Tattoo	Registry Name or #	Date of Birth	Sex	Breed
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					

Date of inspection: _____ Number inspected _____ Signature _____

Printed Name _____ Event _____

(Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)



Self-Certification of Poultry Health

This Certificate Must Accompany ALL Eligible Animals to ALL Maryland Poultry Shows.
This is not an Interstate Certificate.

Name of Owner _____ Premises #: _____ Block 1

Address _____

Telephone number _____ No. of Poultry on Premises _____

Leg Band No.	Leg Band Number Series	Age	Sex	Breed	Block 2
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					

Inspection of Poultry (Check boxes if clear of visual signs) Block 3

- ☐ **FEATHERS:** No signs of loss of feather, feather picked, soiled hackle feathers or evidence of egg clusters commonly caused by *Lice* or *Mites*.
- ☐ **HEAD:** No signs of swelling or puffiness on the head. No watery, large or swollen eyes and or crust on the eye lids commonly caused by *Mycoplasma* or *Fowl pox*.
- ☐ **RESPIRATORY:** No signs of infectious respiratory diseases such as nasal discharge, rattling cough or distressed breathing commonly caused by *Infectious Bronchitis* or *Laryngotracheitis*.
- ☐ **INTESTINAL:** No evidence of pasted vents, chalk-white feces or internal parasites consistent with *Diarrhea*.
- ☐ **OTHER:** Recent exposure to, or clinical signs of, any contagious or infectious disease conditions that would exclude poultry from exhibition.
- ☐ **NO** unusual mortality in the last 30 days.

Poultry Tests Required for Exhibition (Check and date)

☐ Avian Influenza Testing _____ ☐ Pullorum-Typhoid Testing _____

I, the owner/authorized caretaker/transporter, of the poultry identified above have visually examined these birds and observed no signs of contagious or infectious disease and have no knowledge of recent (21 day) exposure to any contagious or infectious diseases. Block 4

Signature (Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

Date

Please Note: This certificate of inspection shall accompany valid Avian Influenza, Pullorum-Typhoid and Premises Registration documents and must be filled out for each individual show.

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