

OPEN RABBIT AND CAVY SHOW

February 11 - 15, 2026

OFFICIAL A.R.B.A. SHOW

This show will be governed by A.R.B.A. Guidelines.

Superintendent..... Ted Poznaniak
Assistant Superintendent..... Roy Thompson
Secretary..... Carrie Poznaniak

Rabbit Show Committee

Gina Bailey	Emily Poznaniak
Andrew Fernandez	Cheryl Thompson
BJ Fernandez	Jaimie Thompson
Brittany Huston	Christmas Wiley
Laurie Millard	Erma Yerdon

It is the policy of the Florida State Fair to abide by all Rules and Regulations as posted on the Florida State Fair website at www.floridastatefairag.com.

Entry fee will be determined by the date entries are submitted online.

The 1st/Final Late Entry Period for entries postmarked or hand-delivered between January 6 & January 12, 2026, is subject to space availability and will be charged double entry fees.

2. All animals must be at least three months of age or older.

3. If your animal needs tattooing, contact the Fair Office at Emily.Smith@FloridaStateFair.com

4. Any changes must be made by telephone from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. with the Show Secretary at **813-373-3731** or by email: carebearandelfmo@aol.com on or before January 12, 2026.

ANY Substitutions or Changes will be allowed until January 12, 2026. Only Ear Tattoo changes will be made at Check-in.

5. There is no limit to the number of entries per exhibitor, however, the Florida State Fair reserves the right to limit entries based on pen availability. Entries will be accepted in chronological order based on the online submission timestamp.

6. **Entry fees must be paid in full at the time of online submission.** Overpayments of \$20.00 or less will not be refunded. **Entry Fees are Non-Refundable**

7. Entry fees are as follows: **Rabbit and Cavies Open Class - \$5.00; Live Meat Pens - \$5.00.** A Meat Pen shall consist of three rabbits of the same breed and variety. Age limit: ten weeks. **Minimum weight: 3.5 pounds each. Maximum weight: 5.5 pounds each.**

8. All animals must meet each breed's ARBA Junior minimum weight.

9. Any exhibitor from a family with an outstanding balance owed to the Fair will not be eligible to show at the Florida State Fair.

HEALTH

1. All animals must meet health requirements as specified in the Rules for Exhibition as required by the Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services.

2. No sick or diseased stock will be allowed in the Showroom—the Show Superintendents & Asst. Superintendents have the authority to refuse animals. A State Inspector will also be on-site to assist with the check-in process. Every animal must be checked for the disease at the check-in table prior to being cooped. Any entry rejected on entry day for sickness, disease, underage, or badly underweight will not be allowed to return to the Showroom

NEW Entry Due Date Jan. 5, 2026
(No paper entry forms will be accepted for the 2026 Fair)
1st/Final Late Entry Period..... Jan. 12, 2026

Open Rabbits Arrive..... Feb. 11, 12 noon to 8 p.m.
Open Rabbit Judging Feb. 13, 8:30 a.m.
Cavy Judging..... Feb. 14, 8 a.m.
Open Rabbit Judging Feb. 14, 1 p.m.
B.O.B. Photos..... Feb. 15, 4:30 p.m.
Open Rabbit Release..... Feb. 15, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Open Show Judge – Todd Naragon

INTERPRETATION OF RULES

The management of the Florida State Fair reserves the right to amend, add to, and interpret the following Rules and Regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all questions and differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of, connected with, or incident to the Fair.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

All exhibitors entering this show shall agree to abide by the following rules and regulations.

ELIGIBILITY

1 All entries must be BONA FIDE PROPERTY of the exhibitor.

2. All rabbits must be permanently and legibly tattooed in the left ear and cavies must have an ear tag or legible tattoo in the left ear upon arrival in the Showroom. **Absolutely, No Tattooing or Ear Tagging in the Showroom.** Noncompliance with this rule will result in the elimination of the animal from the show and forfeiture of the entry fee.

*****Note: This rule will be strictly enforced.**

3. Entries received without ear numbers or complete information will be returned to exhibitors.

ENTRIES

NEW 1. Entry Due Date - All entries must be submitted and paid online on or before January 5, 2026. Hand-delivered or mailed entries **WILL NOT** be accepted this year.

during this show.

3. Any rabbit showing signs of disease or pregnancy after arrival will be quarantined and cared for by an experienced rabbit breeder at the owner's expense. The owner will be notified to pick it up.

4. No refunds will be made on rejected animals.

5. Contact the Florida Department of Agriculture, Animal Industry, District 4 Office at (863) 578-1863 with questions pertaining to Health Regulations and/or Rules of Exhibition.

GENERAL

1. Please Note: Due to health and safety issues, no cooking will be allowed in the barns; food and drink should not be consumed in animal areas; and exhibitors should wash their hands after handling animals.

2. Rabbits may not be bred in the Showroom.

3. Any rabbit that is obviously a crossbreed and does not conform to a Breed Standard will not be accepted in the Showroom.

4. All rabbits entered in meat pens will be cooped in one single coop and will be entered into the Pre-Junior Class with an additional regular entry fee.

5. Rabbits will be fed and watered daily. If your animal requires special feeding, then you must take care of this yourself. Special "Do Not Feed" signs can be picked up from the Show Secretary when rabbits arrive. Only Florida State Fair signs can be on cages.

6. Only animals being shown at the Florida State Fair are permitted on the Fairgrounds.

7. Any person who violates the general or special rules posted in this premium list will forfeit all privileges and premiums won.

8. The physical condition of an entrant, which the appropriate committee considers to be a problem for that entrant to participate in the show, may result in the committee not accepting an entry or not allowing that entrant to participate in the show.

9. Failure to cooperate with Fair Officials may result in premium forfeiture and immediate dismissal from the Fairgrounds.

10. Smoking is not permitted in the barns.

11. The use of alcohol is prohibited in barns and livestock areas.

12. Animals are restricted to designated areas of the Fairgrounds and must not be taken from designated areas. Violators are liable for any damage incurred by the owner or animals.

13. No dogs are allowed inside the barns.

ARRIVAL

1. All rabbits entered must arrive and depart through the Livestock Gate at the Orient Road entrance located on the west side of the Fairgrounds.

2. No rabbits will be received earlier than 12:00 noon, Wednesday, February 11, 2026, and must be in the building before 8 p.m. the same day.

3. All possible care will be taken when receiving, cooping, feeding, caring for, and returning animals.

4. Management reserves the right to reject any entry.

ADMISSION

1. Each exhibitor will be issued one (1) armband for the duration of the show.

2. Armbands will be picked up at check-in. Additional armbands CANNOT be purchased. Single-day admission tickets can be bought in advance at discount prices. See the Advance Ticket Form on the website for details. Tickets will be for sale at the gate.

3. Vehicle/Trailer Parking Passes: All Trailers will be parked in the designated areas within the interior of the grounds. Exhibitors will receive a Vehicle Pass for the duration of the show to be able to park in the Ag Lot outside of Gate 3. Only vehicles with the appropriate tags are permitted in this area.

4. Each passenger must have an armband or admission pass.

5. Livestock Gate Drop-Offs Times (This is in addition to arrival): Vehicles will be allowed to enter through the Livestock Gate between the hours of 6 am to 10 am and 3 pm to 6 pm to drop off needed feed and/or supplies. After unloading supplies, vehicles will proceed to the Ag Lot for parking.

6. Parking Map and Detailed Instructions will be posted on the Agribusiness Website prior to the Fair.

7. Reserved parking is provided, and exhibitors must park in the assigned Ag Lot, or your vehicle will be subject to towing.

8. Champion of Champion Lot: Limited Parking Spaces can be purchased by Exhibitors within the interior of the grounds. All information will be posted on the FSF Agribusiness website. Spaces will open for purchase on January 1st, 2026. All proceeds will go towards the Youth participating in the Champion of Champions program

LIABILITY FOR LOSS OR THEFT

1. The owner or custodian of the property of any kind brought to the Fairgrounds, either for exhibit or for other purposes, assumes as a condition of its admission to the grounds all risk and/or responsibility for its loss, damage, or theft.

2. The Fair, its officers, and its employees cannot and will not accept responsibility and liability for any damage or injury resulting from theft, fire, the elements, accidents, or other conditions or causes, whether to exhibits, property of the exhibitor, vehicles on the grounds and articles left therein or any other property of any nature whatsoever.

JUDGING

1. In judging or entering rabbits, the classification of the American Rabbit Breeders Association Inc. will prevail. Check A.R.B.A. Standards of Perfection for class & weight.

2. A remark card with the judge's remarks, special awards, etc., will be posted as soon as possible after the judging.

3. Judges will not award premiums to any article, product, or animal that is not deserving. It must be judged individually worthy.

4. The judge's decision is final, and no appeal will be considered except in cases of written protest (see General Disputes Policy).

5. Any exhibitor who interferes with the judging will be promptly excluded from the competition; if after judging, the premiums awarded will be withheld.

6. All animals must be evaluated by the judge in order to

receive premiums.

GENERAL DISPUTES POLICY

With respect to any disputes that may occur with respect to an exhibitor at the show, such disputes shall be handled by the appropriate Livestock Committee (the “Committee”) in accordance with the following:

1. An exhibitor may file a protest with respect to another exhibitor for violation of the rules and regulations of the Committee and/or the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) National Code of Show Ring Ethics by submitting a written protest (a “Protest”) on a form (the “Protest Form”) which will be available at the Agribusiness Department. The Protest must include the exact basis, cause, and description of the dispute, the name of the protesting exhibitor, the name of the exhibitor being protested, and any materials in support of the Protest, as well as any other matters which may be required in the Protest Form, and shall be accompanied by payment of \$50 which shall be refunded only if the Protest is sustained by the Committee. The Protest Form must be signed by the exhibitor (as the protesting exhibitor), and if the exhibitor is a minor, the Protest Form must also be signed by the exhibitor’s guardian or parent, unless the parent or guardian is not available under circumstances that warrant, as determined by the Agribusiness Department in its sole discretion. Failure to properly sign the Protest Form shall deem the Protest Form incomplete and nullity, and in such event, the Protest will not be considered. Any Protest must be submitted (and received by the Agribusiness Department) at least two (2) hours prior to the time that the show is scheduled to occur in order to be considered prior to the show. If a Protest is submitted less than two (2) hours prior to the time that the show is scheduled to occur (“a “Late Submittal”), then the Committee will handle the Protest after the show in accordance with its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, but the Late Submittal shall not affect the award of ribbons for the show. In order to minimize disruption to the show, an exhibitor who intends to file a Protest should do so at the earliest feasible time. In any event, a Protest must be filed with the Agribusiness Department prior to the scheduled release hour for the protested exhibitor’s animal in order to be considered.

2. The Agribusiness Department will forward any Protest Form that is duly signed (by an exhibitor as the protesting exhibitor, and if the exhibitor is a minor, the Protest Form must also be signed by the exhibitor’s guardian or parent) and any accompanying materials submitted by the protesting exhibitor in support of the Protest to the Committee for its consideration. The Agribusiness Department will also notify the exhibitor being protested of the Protest as soon as reasonably practicable after the Protest has been duly submitted and make available a copy of the written Protest to the exhibitor being protested. The exhibitor being protested may, but shall not be required to, provide a written response to the Protest (a “Response”) by submitting a Response to the Agribusiness Department, including any materials in support of the response to the Protest, and the Agribusiness Department shall provide the Response to Committee. A Response shall be on a form obtained from the Agribusiness Department and must be signed by the

protested exhibitor, and if the protested exhibitor is a minor, the Response must also be signed by the protested exhibitor’s guardian or parent, unless the parent or guardian is not available due to circumstances that warrant, as determined by the Agribusiness Department in its sole discretion. The Agribusiness Department shall make available a copy of the Response to the protesting exhibitor upon request by the protesting exhibitor, but it shall be the protesting exhibitor’s responsibility to monitor the Protest and to obtain a copy of the Response. The Agribusiness Department will attempt to notify the protesting exhibitor and the exhibitor being protested of the time of the Committee’s review and consideration of the Protest by calling their respective cell phone numbers if provided on the Protest Form and/or the Response Form, but it shall be the protesting exhibitor and protested exhibitor’s responsibility to monitor the Protest and obtain the time of the Committee’s review and consideration of the Protest and to be available at the time scheduled for the Committee’s consideration of the Protest. For any Late Submission, the Committee will handle the process for review of the Protest after the show.

3. The Committee members present will review the Protest and the Response, if any, in the context of its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and will make a decision to resolve the Protest by a majority of the Committee members present. In the event of a tie vote, the Protest shall be deemed denied by the Committee. The decision of the Committee will be final.

4. The Committee may also apply and enforce its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics with respect to exhibitors at the show.

5. By entering the show, all exhibitors and their respective parents and/or guardians shall be deemed to have acknowledged and accepted this General Disputes Policy.

PREMIUMS AND AWARDS

1. Premiums will be paid on the basis of the judging reports, which must be signed by the department superintendent or clerk.

2. Premiums will be mailed to the exhibitor after the Fair to the address given on the entry form.

Checks will be void after six months from the date on the check. After six months, all uncashed checks will be voided, and replacement checks will not be issued.

3. If a Social Security Number or Federal ID number is not provided, the Fair will not issue a premium check.

4. The management of the Florida State Fair reserves the right to revise the premiums’ dollar amount.

SECURITY

1. Members of the Show committee will be on duty from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

RELEASE

1. All animals must be removed from the Showroom on February 15, 2026, between the hours of 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. All rabbits must be removed by 8 p.m. or the exhibitor will forfeit the ownership of their rabbit(s). Release times will be strictly enforced.

2. No animal may be removed from the showroom before Feb. 15th at 5 p.m. (unless the rabbit has been sold and has

an appropriate Release Form). Exhibitors violating this rule will forfeit all premiums won, all fees paid, and the right to future participation in the fair. Release times are strictly enforced.

3. Animals will be released only to the Open Exhibitor unless the Show Superintendent has requested special written permission.

SALES

1. There will be a minimum sale price of \$20.00.

2. The Show Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent has the authority to screen all animals for sale and disqualify any questionable ones.

3. Animals must meet ARBA Junior minimum weight for each breed and a maximum age of 30 months of age.

4. No rabbits will be sold unless they are entered into the show. The buyer has the option of obtaining a refund if the animal is disqualified.

5. All animals for sale must be specified on a separate sheet of paper.

6. SALES WILL BE HANDLED BY THE SHOW COMMITTEE AT A CHARGE OF 10% PER SALE (10% to go to the Florida State Fair Youth Rabbit Scholarship). All animals sold will receive the Florida State Fair Receipt.

7. A three-generation pedigree must accompany each animal offered for sale upon arrival and each animal must be entered in the show.

8. Release of PURCHASED animals will not be allowed prior to judging, but it will be allowed after judging.

9. A release form must be obtained for the sale of animals.

10. Do NOT send a pedigree or sales sheet to the Florida State Fair. Bring on arrival.

11. All sales will be on a "cash only" basis.

12. Any Youth rabbit for sale and showing in the Open Show cannot be released until it has been shown in the Open Judging.

13. Any exhibitor or their representative discussing sales of their rabbits to interested buyers will be subject to all of their sale animals being removed from sales unless prior permission from the Show Superintendent has been granted. Repeated offense will have the exhibitor subject to the entire entry removed from competition and premiums forfeited at the discretion of the Sales Committee.

A.R.B.A. REGISTRATION

Exhibitors desiring to register their stock under the American Rabbit Breeders Association registration system will have the opportunity to do so during the show. Arrangements for this, however, must be made by the exhibitor with the superintendent.

OPEN SHOW

CASH PRIZES AND CLASSIFICATION

Number of Entries

in Class	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
11 thru 15	\$9.00	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00	\$5.00
6 thru 10	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00	\$5.00	\$5.00
2 thru 5	\$7.00	\$6.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00

1 animal \$5.00

BEST OF BREED

Ten or more rabbits in the breed and three or more breeders competing. Premium \$5.00 and Award.

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX

Ten or more rabbits in class and three or more breeders competing. Premium \$2.50 and Award.

SHOW AWARDS

There must be at least 50 rabbits entered.

Best of Show - \$20.00 & Award

1st Runner-Up - \$15.00 & Award

2nd Runner-Up - \$10.00 & Award

LIVE MEAT PENS

1st=\$25.00, 2nd=\$20.00, 3rd=\$15.00, 4th=\$10.00, 5th=\$5.00

All Meat Pens shall consist of three rabbits of the same breed and variety. Age limit - Rabbits must be at least 6 weeks, not over ten weeks. Minimum weight: 3.5 pounds each. Maximum weight: 5.5 pounds each.

First-place trophies and second - fifth-place ribbons presented for meat pen classes only.

Please note: The Florida State Fair will furnish a 16% Rabbit feed to all animals cooped in the Rabbit Barn during the 2026 Florida State Fair Open Rabbit Show.

Official A.R.B.A. Sanctioned Show

American Rabbit Breeders Assoc., PO Box 400, Knox, PA 16232-0400

Sanction Fees: Open \$25.00/Youth \$20.00, Open & Youth in conjunction \$40.00

Membership Dues: Adult \$20.00 (\$50.00 for three years); H/W \$30.00 (\$75.00 for three years); Single Adult Family \$20.00 plus \$5.00 per Youth (\$50.00 plus \$10.00 per Youth for three years); H/W Family \$30.00 plus \$5.00 per Youth (\$75.00 plus \$10.00 per Youth for 3 years); Individual Youth \$12.00 (\$30.00 for 3 years); Life Membership \$300.00 plus \$200.00 for a spouse.

OFFICIAL SWEEPSTAKES SANCTIONS

Breed Sanctions are not required for Grand Champion Legs. Legs will be awarded per ARBA rules.

National Mini Rex Rabbit Club

Bridget Forman, 8562 290th Street, Boyd, WI 54726

Email: NMRRCSecretary@gmail.com

Membership: Adult - \$25, \$55 3 yrs; H/W - \$30, \$70 3 yrs; Family - \$45, \$115; Youth - \$25, \$55 3 yrs; Adult Foreign - \$50, \$110 3 yrs; H/W Foreign - \$60, \$140 3 yrs; Family Foreign \$90, \$230 3 yrs Sanction Fees: OPEN \$15.00; YOUTH \$15.00;

OPEN/YOUTH COMBO \$30.00

Send Sanction Requests to: Bridget Forman

Send Show Reports to: Margaret Potter, 1401 W Sian Drive

Sanford, MI 48657 Phone: 989-430-9161

Email: nmrrcopensweeps@yahoo.com

Club Website: www.nmrrc.net

American Satin & Mini Satin Rabbit Breeders

Association

Sherry Garrett, 18902 7 Mile Rd, Reed City, MI 49677

Phone: 231-679-5554 Email: asrba.secretary@gmail.com

Membership: Adult – (New) \$17, \$35 3 yr, (Renewal) \$12, \$30 3 yr;

Youth – (New) \$14, \$28 3 yr, (Renewal) \$9, \$23 3 yr; Husband/Wife

– (New) \$19, \$40 3 yr, (Renewal) \$14, \$35 3 yr; Family – (New)

\$22, \$46 3 yr, (Renewal) \$17, \$41 3 yr;

Sanction Fees: OPEN \$20.00 – YOUTH \$10.00

Send Sanction Requests to: Sherry Garrett

Send Show Reports to: Cullen Santino Leroy, 274 Ferguson Lane

Central City, KY 42330 Email: 2021ASRBA.sweeps@gmail.com

Club website: <https://www.asrba.org>

American Polish Rabbit Club

Michaela Walsh, 3090 80th St NE, De Graff, MN 56271

Email: aprsec@gmail.com

Membership: Adult – \$12, \$30 3 yr; Youth – \$10, \$25 3 yr;

Husband/Wife (or 2 individuals at the same address) – \$15, \$35 3

yr; Family – \$18, \$40 3 yr; Foreign Membership – Add \$10/year

to above fees;

Sanction Fees: OPEN \$15.00; YOUTH \$10.00

OPEN SPECIALS AND TROPHIES

The Florida State Fair awards various cash specials, and a State Fair Special Award is awarded to the Best of Show winner. Awards will be presented by the Florida State Fair for 1st runner-up and 2nd runner-up, Best of Breed, and Best Opposite Sex as required by the specialty sanction.

ALL NON-SANCTIONED BREEDS

A minimum of fifteen (15) entries is required per sweepstake show to qualify for Sweepstake Sanction in the 2026 Fair.

SHOWERS/EXHIBITOR CHANGING AREA

1. Shower/ changing area facilities are available on the

grounds for use by exhibitors only!

2. Access to shower facilities will be allowed to Livestock Exhibitors through the Agribusiness Office.

MOTEL ACCOMMODATION

1. For motel accommodation information, see our website for the Preferred Hotel List.

QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM

The Florida State Fair believes that every animal participating in activities of the Florida State Fair shall at all times be provided proper care and management in the best interest of the animal's welfare.

1. Quality assurance testing or a survey may be done at the Florida State Fair.

2. All animals are subject to testing at any time:

A. To determine whether an animal qualifies for competition in a particular breed classification.

B. To determine whether the animal has been unethically fitted in any way.

C. To determine whether any false information or representation was made in a competition entry.

3. During the online process, the exhibitor acknowledges that they have read and agree to the IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics. (Please note: Rule #4 deals specifically with drugs.)

4. Use of drugs, in animals, not in compliance with manufacturer's label as to dosage, time of withdrawal limitations, or other manufacturer's limitations and show regulations are **PROHIBITED**. The use of tranquilizers or possession of same after arrival at the Fair will be construed as tampering.

5. Violators will be disqualified and will forfeit all premiums and awards, including the sale price of animals, if applicable, and future entry of exhibitors and/or family at the Florida State Fair.

6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices that are not recognized as acceptable training, restraint, or animal movement techniques are prohibited.

OPEN CAVY SHOW

Cavy Show Superintendent/Secretary.....Carrie Poznaniak
..... 813-373-3731

**TO CONTINUE THE OPEN CAVY SHOW, THERE
MUST BE A MINIMUM OF 30 ANIMALS SHOWN
AT THE 2026 FAIR.**

Entry Fee \$5.00

Entry Deadline Feb. 12, 2026, 10 p.m.

**ALL ENTRIES MUST BE EMAILED. NO CALL-INS,
FAXES, OR REGULAR MAIL. Email to
carebearandemo@aol.com**

Entry fees are due upon arrival at the Fair. Exhibitors
must pay for all animals entered on the entry form.

Arrive.....Saturday, Feb. 14, 7 a.m.
Show.....Saturday, Feb. 14, 8 a.m.
Release Saturday, Feb. 14, end of show

Cavies may be brought in at 7 a.m. (PLEASE NOTE: Fair
Gate does not open until 7 a.m.), Saturday, February 14,
2026, and removed after judging. Cavies must be checked in
no later than 7:30 a.m. All exhibitors must park in designated
parking lot. All other general show rules apply.

**All Cavies entering the barn must be entered in the show
and be checked by the Show Superintendent for health.**

All Cavies must follow Rabbit Show Rules.

Youth Exhibitors can enter the Open Cavy Show.

Weight and age requirements to qualify for classes are:

Junior Class –

min. weight 12 ounces, max weight 22 ounces

Intermediate Class –

weight over 22 ounces, max weight 32 ounces

Senior Class-

Min weight over 32 ounces

As per A.R.B.A. and A.C.B.A.

SALES

1. All cavy must be entered into the show and judged in order to sell.
2. Exhibitors wanting to sell cavies can bring their animals at the same time as the Open Rabbits; however, the animals cannot be sold until after judging.
3. Exhibitors need to supply feed for the Cavy.

ARRIVAL/ADMISSION

1. All cavies entered must arrive through the Livestock Gate at the Orient Road entrance located on the west side of the Fairgrounds.
2. Each exhibitor will receive two (2) daily admission passes.
3. Tickets can be picked up from the Vet Trailer at the Livestock Gate upon arrival.

SHOW AWARDS

A **minimum** of 10 entries per breed is required to qualify for Best of Breed and Best of Opposite Sex trophy and premium.

Best of Breed..... \$2.00, and Rosette

Best Opposite Sex \$1.00, and Rosette

Best in Show - must be at least 50 animals entered.

Best in Show \$20.00 & Award

1st Runner-Up \$15.00 & Award

2nd Runner-Up \$10.00 & Award

CASH PRIZES AND CLASSIFICATION

**No. Entries
in Class:**

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
21 or more	\$10.00	\$6.50	\$5.50	\$4.00	\$3.50
16 thru 20	\$ 8.00	\$6.00	\$5.00	\$3.50	\$3.00
11 thru 15	\$ 6.00	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00	\$2.00
6 thru 10	\$ 5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00	\$2.00	\$2.00
2 thru 5	\$ 4.00	\$3.00	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$2.00
1 animal	\$ 3.00				

AMERICAN CAVY BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

Patee Singer, PO Box 1330, West Point, CA 95255

Phone: 209-268-6736 Email: secretary@acbaonline.com

Membership: Adult – (New) \$25, 3 yrs \$60 (Renewal) \$20,

3 yrs \$55 Youth – (New) \$20, 3 yrs \$45 (Renewal) \$15, 3

ysrs \$40 Family – (New) \$30, 3 yrs \$75 (Renewal) \$25, 3

ysrs \$70 Sanction Fees: OPEN \$15 – Youth \$10.00 Please

Send Sanction Requests to: Kimberly Davis, Treasurer

3392 Old Mulkey Road, Tompkinsville, KY 42167

Phone: 936-524-4501

Send Sweepstakes/Show Reports to:

Laurie Norman, 172 Spruce Street, Elyria, OH 44035

Email: acbasweeps@gmail.com

Club Website: www.acbaonline.com

IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS)

NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open-class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial, and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards, and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibitions in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership, and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.

2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.

3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.

4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of drugs. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations, and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations, and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.

If the laboratory report on the chemical analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other samples were taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample or urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the approved laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved, and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise at any hearing in regard to the matter conducted by the fair or livestock show.

At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or irritant substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.

6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.

7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In

the furtherance of their official shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation, and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individuals to disciplinary action.

9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant, whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.

10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have any disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including *Fairs and Expositions* and any special notices to members.

11. The act of entering of an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

FLORIDA STATE FAIR AUTHORITY

LIVESTOCK ADDENDUM

OWNER represents to Florida State Fair Authority ("AUTHORITY") that no animals that are exhibited or otherwise transported onto FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS will in any way be suffering from any contagious or infectious disease. In addition, OWNER shall defend, indemnify, and hold the AUTHORITY, the applicable Show Committee and each of their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agents harmless of and from all losses, damages, claims, expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees at the trial and appellate levels, actions and causes of action arising out of, or in any way connected with, or by reason of this Agreement, the presence of OWNER's livestock at FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS, and/or use of FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS including, but not limited to any claim for the death of, or injury to any person or livestock, or damage to, theft of, or destruction of any property arising out of any act or omission of OWNER, OWNER's officers, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, riders, handlers, contractors and livestock, violation of any Federal, State and Local environmental laws, rules, ordinances and/or regulations, actions for negligence, wrongful death, torts, defects in the real and personal property at FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS and from any alleged liability, cause, litigation or proceeding whatsoever, even if such injury, death, loss or property damage results, in whole or in part, from the negligence of AUTHORITY, or the applicable Show Committee and their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agents or otherwise. Neither AUTHORITY nor such applicable Show Committee shall be liable to OWNER, or any officer, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, riders, handlers, or other contractors, invitees, or guests of OWNER for any injury or damage to livestock, person, or property. AUTHORITY, its officers, or agents, assume no liability for any loss or damage to property (including but not limited to livestock) on account of fire, theft, or any other cause including infectious or contagious diseases. In addition, OWNER acknowledges receiving and agrees to abide by the applicable rules and regulations of the AUTHORITY titled FLORIDA STATE FAIR LIVESTOCK RULES & PRIZE LIST, and same are incorporated by reference herein.

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