RABBIT SKILLATHON CONTEST

ENTRY DEADLINE: CONTEST CHECK-IN

ENTRY FEE: FREE

CONTEST CHECK-IN BEGINS 15

MINS PRIOR TO CONTEST START TIME

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN: Lynette Lee

2025 RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1. This contest will be open to any Austin County 4-H or FFA Member.
- 2. All contestants are subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Austin County Fair.
- 3. A link to online entry submission will be posted to the Austin County Fair website (www.austincountyfair.com). This link will be separate from the online livestock entry portal.
- 4. Contest will be held on Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at 10am in the American Legion Hall located near the FM 529 entrance to the fairgrounds, behind the Luhn Barn. (Subject to change, please stay updated via ACF website)
- 5. Contestants will be divided into three age divisions, based on contestants' school grade as of September 1, 2025:

a. Junior: 3rd – 5th grade

b. Intermediate: $6^{th} - 8^{th}$ grade

c. Senior: 9th – 12th grade

- 6. During the competition, contestants will be divided into stations. While completing the individual stations, there will be no conferring between contestants or between a contestant and anyone else except as directed by contest officials.
- 7. Conferring among contestants (talking, gestures, etc.) will result in immediate dismissal from the contest. Contestants may not carry any electronic communication device (cell phones, etc.). Any contestant found in possession of such a device at any time during the contest will be immediately removed from the competition.
- 8. All testing materials required to complete the individual competition stations will be provided. The contestants may bring no books, notes, pamphlets, or other reference material into the contest area.
- 9. The contest will consist of:

*written exam (multiple choice, true/false & fill in the blank formats) over materials covered in any of our 2025 rabbit project meetings, any materials written in the 2021-2025

ARBA Standard of Perfection, as well as the 2025 Austin County Fair Livestock Rule Book.

- 10. It is the individual contestant's responsibility to access the materials, as well as any other material sources listed, pertaining to the topics listed in these rules and regulations. These study materials will not be published on the fair website.
- 11. Awards will be given in each age division. These awards will be presented on Saturday, October 11, 2025, following the Livestock judging contest awards under the Brandes Entertainment Pavillion. The Livestock Awards begin at 12:30pm.
- 12. In the event of a tied score, the tie will be broken based on having the correct answer for specific questions at specific stations. These questions will be randomly selected by drawing question numbers. Drawing of random questions will only take place in the event of a tied score.
- 13. The ARBA Standard of Perfection is available for purchase online https://arba.net/product/standard-of-perfection/ or at any of the rabbit project meetings, until sources run out.

Any special circumstances will be handled on an individual basis. Please refer all questions or special circumstances to the Chairman of the Rabbit Committee.

^{*}written exam on rabbit diseases

^{*}rabbit breed identification

^{*}hands on judging of live rabbits