

Judging & Identification Contest



Contests and Activities are Three to Four Hours in Length

1. To participate in a 4-H judging contest, individuals must be enrolled in 4-H.
2. Ribbons will be awarded on individual scores. In addition, judging team ribbons (blue, red and white) will be awarded to all members (up to five) of the three highest scoring judging teams in each contest. Each team may have a maximum of five (5) members, but team scores will be calculated using the top three individual scores from each team. All teams competing must have a minimum of three members. Team ribbons and team placing will not be awarded to teams with fewer than three members.
3. Counties are required to select an adult leader or parent to accompany each team as a chaperone. **No coaching is allowed during the contest.**
4. **Fair entries. County teams must be identified and registered prior to the judging contest so that we will know which counties need judging packets. Each county may field one intermediate and one senior team.**
5. Only official contest materials may be used during the contest with the exception of a clipboard, a pen or pencil and blank paper for taking notes. Notes will not be allowed when giving reasons to the oral reasons judge. Members using materials other than those allowed will be disqualified.
6. No talking is allowed by 4-H members after the contest has begun. If 4-H members have a question regarding the contest, the member should address that question to the group leader. 4-H members will be given one warning for talking. The next offense will result in the member receiving a zero for that class. Subsequent violations will result in the member being dismissed from the contest and receiving a zero for all classes. Decisions regarding compliance with this rule rest with the group leader.
7. To facilitate greater participation, counties who are unable to enter a full team may wish to combine members so a team representing several counties may participate in the judging contests at State Fair. To enter a combined team, teams must be identified in writing from both county agents prior to the contest. A "hard copy" entry form, available in the State Fair Handbook, must be filled out with participants' names, coach's names, county and approving agent signature of the county Extension Agent in each county.
8. A 4-H member may only enter a National 4-H Competitive event once. Participating members of a team entry are ineligible to enter the same event again as a part of another team (national rules).
9. As a result of rules specified in #8 above, Oregon 4-H members who have previously participated in a National Competitive event will not be eligible to participate on future county judging teams that compete for high placing Senior county team at the appropriate State Contest. Counties that enter such teams will be disqualified from the contest.
10. Teams representing Oregon, in the appropriate National Competitive event, will be responsible for raising a majority of funds associated with expenses budgeted for the National Event. Some assistance may be provided by the Oregon 4-H Foundation.

LIVESTOCK CONTESTS

791 900 002 Dairy Goat Judging and Identification Contest, Intermediate
(Thursday, September 4; registration at 1:30 p.m.)

Contestants will judge four classes of animals (two junior, two senior); one equipment/management class and one class of oral reasons.

791 900 003 Dairy Goat Judging and Identification Contest, Senior

(Thursday, September 4; registration at 1:30 p.m.)

Contestants will judge four classes of animals (two senior, two junior); one equipment/management/feed class and two classes of oral reasons.

731 900 002 Poultry Judging and Identification Contest, Intermediate

(Wednesday, September 3; registration at 3:30 p.m.)

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Contestants will judge at least two classes of Leghorns or Leghorn type hybrids (placing based on past egg production); two classes of ready to cook carcasses (fryers); one class of broken out market eggs; one class of white shelled eggs (candled); one class of white shelled eggs (to be evaluated for exterior egg quality: AA, A, B or dirty); retail-cuts of poultry (identification); and oral reasons on one or more classes. Contest will closely follow the Extension publication titled: Poultry Judging, available at all Oregon county Extension offices.