

POULTRY
16 - Open Poultry Show
Superintendent: Terry Britt (405-830-4338)
Open Class Premiums Offered: \$9,000.00

INFORMATION

Entries

Entry Fees are \$3.00 per head and \$9.50 per exhibitor supply chain surcharge. Entries in all classes shall be made through the online fair entry system at the Illinois State Fair website. Payment must be made via credit card at the time of entry. No other type of entry will be accepted. Assistance with entries is available at the Competitive Events Office, Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. All entries must be submitted online on or before July 15, 2026. Fees will not be refunded. Late entries will be accepted through July 31, 2026, with an additional \$50.00/exhibitor charge assessed.

Deadlines and Check-in

Birds May Arrive	Thursday, August 13, 4:00 p.m.
Birds must be penned by	Friday, August 14, 9:00 a.m.
Show begins	Friday, August 14, 9:30 a.m.
Rooster Crowing Contest begins	Friday, August 14, 11 a.m.
Birds Released	
Open Show Exhibitors Only	Friday, August 14, immediately following show
Open and Junior Exhibitors	Saturday, August 15, after Junior Show

Show Schedule

Show will be held in the Open-Air Pavilion (Building 105). Show order will be as classes are listed in the premium book. Show order is subject to change. Exhibitors should watch and listen to announcements.

Department Rules

1. Each exhibitor must comply with the Illinois Exhibition Health Requirements; Animal Care, Drug, Testing and Welfare Policies; and General Rules of the Open Livestock Division as previously stated.
2. Open Show exhibitors are reminded they must adhere to Open Show registration requirements in order to exhibit in the Open Poultry Show. Junior Show registration does not fulfill Open Show requirements.
3. All Other Standard Breed (AOSB) classes are for birds in breeds not separately listed.
4. No birds will be received for exhibition or given awards except those which have been duly entered with the Fair Management, and on which all entry fees and other charges have been paid.
5. To avoid rearrangement of coops and confusion each time a substitution is made, substitutions or changes will be allowed only under the following conditions, and no other changes will be allowed:
 - a. One bird may be substituted for another bird of the same class number, age and sex.
6. The Illinois State Fair will furnish coops and bedding to all appropriately entered exhibits. No more than two (2) birds will be placed in each coop.
7. Poultry should be brought to the fairgrounds in appropriate crates. Exhibitors and their coop assignment(s) will be identified by numbers, and these numbers can be obtained from the Superintendent upon arrival at the Pavilion on the fairgrounds. Unloading will not be permitted prior to having an exhibitor number assigned. Exhibitors must take crates home or clean and disinfect them on arrival and remove them from the Poultry Show premises.
8. No bird will be judged unless properly entered and cooped before judging begins.

9. All birds exhibited in Breeding Classes must be recognized breeds of the APA/ABA as listed in the American Standard of Perfection. No crossbreeds are allowed. Breeds and varieties that have not been fully approved by the APA/ABA are not eligible to show at the Illinois State Fair. Further, the American Standard of Perfection and American Bantam Standard will be the guide for judging poultry.
10. Poultry shown must be the property of the exhibitor and must be identified with numbered leg band.
11. Any bird exhibiting signs of poor health and condition, or a pronounced defect or abnormality will be ineligible to show and receive premiums at the discretion of the Superintendent.
12. The Department may cancel this exposition with limited advance notice or impose such health measures as it deems appropriate at the time of the Fair.

Special Definitions and Conditions

Cockerel: A male bird under one (1) year of age

Pullet: A female bird under one (1) year of age

Cock: A male bird one (1) year old or older

Hen: A female bird one (1) year old or older

Waterfowl: Includes Ducks and Geese

AOB: Abbreviation for all other or any other breed

AOV: Abbreviation for all other or any other variety

AOC: Abbreviation for all other or any other color

Special Awards

Awards:

- Champion & Reserve Champion will be named in Sections One through Six, and along with the winner of Section Seven and will compete for Grand & Reserve Champion Large Fowl.
- Champion & Reserve Champion will be named in Sections Eight through Thirteen and will compete for Grand & Reserve Champion Bantam
- The following awards will be given in Section 14: Light Duck Champion & Reserve, Medium Duck Champion & Reserve, Heavy Duck Champion & Reserve, Bantam Duck Champion & Reserve.
- The following awards will be given in Section 15: Light Goose Champion & Reserve, Medium Goose Champion & Reserve, Heavy Goose Champion & Reserve.
- Winners in Sections 14 & 15 will compete for Grand & Reserve Champion Waterfowl.

Grand and Reserve Grand Champions: An award will be given by the Illinois State Fair to the exhibitors of the Grand and Reserve Grand Champions of the Large Fowl, Bantam, and Waterfowl Divisions of the Open Show. Exhibitors of Class Champions and Reserve Class Champions in the Large Fowl and Bantam Divisions will receive additional premium awards with Champions receiving an additional \$75.00 and Reserve Champions an additional \$50.00. Class Champions and Reserve Class Champions in the Waterfowl Division will receive an additional premium in the amount of \$20.00 for Champion and \$10.00 for Reserve Champion. Exhibitors of the Grand Champions and Reserve Grand Champions of the Large Fowl and Bantam Divisions will receive another \$75.00 for Grand Champions and \$50.00 for Reserve Grand Champions

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Premiums for all classes will be paid as follows:	\$5	\$4	\$3	\$2

CLASSES

Section 1 – Large Fowl – American

Division 1601 – Large Fowl – American - Delaware

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Delaware	001	002	003	004

Division 1602 – Large Fowl – American - Dominique

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Dominique	001	002	003	004

Division 1603 – Large Fowl – American – Jersey Giant

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Jersey Giant	001	002	003	004

Division 1604 – Large Fowl – American – New Hampshire

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
New Hampshire	001	002	003	004

Division 1605 – Large Fowl – American – Plymouth Rock

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Barred	001	002	003	004
Buff	005	006	007	008
Partridge	009	010	011	012
White	013	014	015	016
AOV/AOC	017	018	019	020

Division 1606 – Large Fowl – American – Rhode Island Red

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Rose Comb	001	002	003	004
Single Comb	005	006	007	008

Division 1607 – Large Fowl – American - Wyandotte

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Golden Laced	001	002	003	004
Partridge	005	006	007	008
Silver Laced	009	010	011	012
White	013	014	015	016
AOV/AOC	017	018	019	020

Division 1608 – Large Fowl – American - AOB

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
AOB	001	002	003	004

Section 2 – Large Fowl – Asiatic**Division 1609 – Large Fowl – Asiatic - Brahma**

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Buff	001	002	003	004
Dark	005	006	007	008
Light	009	010	011	012

Division 1610 – Large Fowl – Asiatic - Cochin

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Black	001	002	003	004
Blue	005	006	007	008
Buff	009	010	011	012
Partridge	013	014	015	016
White	017	018	019	020
AOV/AOC	021	022	023	024

Division 1611 – Large Fowl – Asiatic - Langshan

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Black	001	002	003	004
White and Blue	005	006	007	008

Section 3 – Large Fowl – Continental**Division 1612 – Large Fowl – Continental - Campines**

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Silver and Golden	001	002	003	004

Division 1613 – Large Fowl – Continental - Crevecouers

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Crevecouers	001	002	003	004

Division 1614 – Large Fowl – Continental - Faverolles

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Salmon and White	001	002	003	004

Division 1615 – Large Fowl – Continental - Hamburg

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Golden Penciled	001	002	003	004
Golden Spangled	005	006	007	008
Silver Penciled	009	010	011	012
Silver Spangled	013	014	015	016
White and Black	017	018	019	020

Division 1616 – Large Fowl – Continental - Houdan

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Mottled and White	001	002	003	004

Division 1617 – Large Fowl – Continental – La Fleche

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
La Fleche	001	002	003	004

Division 1618 – Large Fowl – Continental - Lakenvelders

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Lakenvelders	001	002	003	004

Division 1619 – Large Fowl – Continental - Polish

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Black, White Crested	001	002	003	004
Buff Laced, Bearded and Plain	005	006	007	008
Golden, Bearded and Plain	009	010	011	012
Silver, Bearded and Plain	013	014	015	016
White, Bearded and Plain	017	018	019	020

Division 1620 – Large Fowl – Continental – AOB/AOV/AOC

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
AOB/AOV/AOC	001	002	003	004

Section 4 – Large Fowl – English**Division 1621 – Large Fowl – English - Australorp**

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Australorp	001	002	003	004

Division 1622 – Large Fowl – English - Cornish

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
White Laced Red	001	002	003	004
AOV/AOC	005	006	007	008

Division 1623 – Large Fowl – English - Dorking

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Red	001	002	003	004
Silver Gray	005	006	007	008
AOV/AOC	009	010	011	012

Division 1624 – Large Fowl – English - Orpington

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Buff	001	002	003	004
AOV/AOC	005	006	007	008

Division 1625 – Large Fowl – English – Sussex, Speckled

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Sussex, Speckled	001	002	003	004

Division 1626 – Large Fowl – English - AOB

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
AOB	001	002	003	004

Section 5 – Large Fowl – Mediterranean**Division 1627 – Large Fowl – Mediterranean - Ancona**

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Single and Rose Comb	001	002	003	004

Division 1628 – Large Fowl – Mediterranean - Andalusian

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Blue	001	002	003	004

Division 1629 – Large Fowl – Mediterranean - Buttercups

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Buttercups	001	002	003	004

Division 1630 – Large Fowl – Mediterranean - Leghorn

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Dark Brown, Single and Rose Comb	001	002	003	004
Light Brown, Rose Comb	005	006	007	008
Light Brown, Single Comb	009	010	011	012
White, Rose Comb	013	014	015	016
White, Single Comb	017	018	019	020
AOV/AOC	021	022	023	024

Division 1631 – Large Fowl – Mediterranean - Minorca

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Black, Single and Rose Comb	001	002	003	004

Division 1632 – Large Fowl – Mediterranean - Spanish

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
White-Faced Black	001	002	003	004

Division 1633 – Large Fowl – Mediterranean - AOB

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
AOB	001	002	003	004

Section 6 – Large Fowl – All Other Standard Breeds**Division 1634 – Large Fowl – All Other Standard Breeds**

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Ameraucana, Any Color	001	002	003	004
Cubalaya, Any Color	005	006	007	008
Modern Game, Any Variety	009	010	011	012
Old English Game, Any Variety	013	014	015	016
Sumatra, Black	017	018	019	020
AOB/AOV/AOC	021	022	023	024

Section 7 – Large Fowl – Guinea**Division 1635 – Large Fowl – All Other Standard Breeds**

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Guinea, All Varieties	001	002	003	004

Section 8 – Bantams – Feather Legged

Division 1636 – Bantams – Feather Legged – Brahma

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Buff	001	002	003	004
Dark	005	006	007	008
Light	009	010	011	012

Division 1637 – Bantams – Feather Legged – Cochin

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Black	001	002	003	004
Blue	005	006	007	008
Buff	009	010	011	012
Partridge	013	014	015	016
White	017	018	019	020
AOV/AOC	021	022	023	024

Division 1638 – Bantams – Feather Legged – Langshan

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Black and White	001	002	003	004

Division 1639 – Bantams – Feather Legged – D’uccle

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Bearded, Any Variety	001	002	003	004

Division 1640 – Bantams – Feather Legged – Silkies

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Black, Plain and Bearded	001	002	003	004
Blue, Plain and Bearded	005	006	007	008
White, Plain and Bearded	009	010	011	012
AOV/AOC	013	014	015	016

Division 1641 – Bantams – Feather Legged – AOB/AOV/AOC

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
AOB/AOV/AOC	001	002	003	004

Section 9 – Bantams – American Game

Division 1642 – Bantams – American Game

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
All Varieties	001	002	003	004

Section 10 – Bantams – Modern Game

Division 1643 – Bantams – Modern Game

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Birchen	001	002	003	004
Black Breasted Red	005	006	007	008
Brown Red	009	010	011	012
Red Pyle	013	014	015	016
AOB/AOV/AOC	017	018	0019	020

Section 11 – Bantams – Old English Game

Division 1644 – Bantams – Old English Game

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Black	001	002	003	004
Black Breasted Red	005	006	007	008
Blue Splash	009	010	011	012
Crele	013	014	015	016
Red Pyle	017	018	019	020
Silver Duckwing	021	022	023	024
Wheaton	025	026	027	028
White	029	030	031	032
AOB/AOV/AOC	033	034	035	036

Section 12 – Bantams – Rose Comb Clean Legged

Division 1645 – Bantams – Rose Comb Clean Legged – D’Anver Belgians

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
D’Anver Belgians	001	002	003	004

Division 1646 – Bantams – Rose Comb Clean Legged – Hamburg

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Hamburg, All Varieties	001	002	003	004

Division 1647 – Bantams – Rose Comb Clean Legged – Rosecomb

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Black and White	001	002	003	004

Division 1648 – Bantams – Rose Comb Clean Legged – Sebright

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Golden	001	002	003	004
Silver	005	006	007	008

Division 1649 – Bantams – Rose Comb Clean Legged – Wyandotte

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Black	001	002	003	004
Partridge	005	006	007	008
Silver Laced	009	010	011	012
White	013	014	015	016
AOV/AOC	017	018	019	020

Division 1650 – Bantams – Rose Comb Clean Legged – AOB/AOV

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
AOB/AOV	001	002	003	004

Section 13 – Bantams – Single Comb Clean Legged**Division 1651 – Bantams – Single Comb Clean Legged – Japanese**

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Black-Tailed White	001	002	003	004
White and Black	005	006	007	008
AOV/AOC	009	010	011	012

Division 1652 – Bantams – Single Comb Clean Legged – Leghorn

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Brown	001	002	003	004
White	005	006	007	008

Division 1653 – Bantams – Single Comb Clean Legged – New Hampshire

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
New Hampshire	001	002	003	004

Division 1654 – Bantams – Single Comb Clean Legged – Plymouth Rock

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Barred	001	002	003	004
White	005	006	007	008
AOV/AOC	009	010	011	012

Division 1655 – Bantams – Single Comb Clean Legged – Rhode Island Red

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Rhode Island Red	001	002	003	004

Division 1656 – Bantams – Single Comb Clean Legged – AOB/AOV

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
AOB/AOV	001	002	003	004

Section 14 – Bantams – Any Other Comb Legged**Division 1657 – Bantams – Any Other Comb Legged – Cornish**

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Dark	001	002	003	004
AOV/AOC	005	006	007	008

Division 1658 – Bantams – Any Other Comb Legged – Polish

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
Black, White Crested	001	002	003	004
AOV/AOC	005	006	007	008

Division 1659 – Bantams – Any Other Comb Legged – Sumatra

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
All Varieties	001	002	003	004

Division 1660 – Bantams – Any Other Comb Legged – AOB

Breed/Variety	Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet
All Varieties	001	002	003	004

Section 15 – Waterfowl – Ducks

Division 1661 – Waterfowl – Standard Ducks

Breed/Variety	Drake	Duck	Young Drake	Young Duck
Aylesbury	001	002	003	004
Cayuga	005	006	007	008
Crested, White	009	010	011	012
Magpie, Any Variety	013	014	0015	016
Muscovy, Any Color	017	018	019	020
Pekin	021	022	023	024
Rouen	025	026	027	028
Runner, Fawn and White	029	030	031	032
Runner, White	033	034	035	036
Runner, AOV/AOC	037	038	039	040
Swedish, Blue	041	042	043	044
Buff	045	046	047	048
AOB/AOV/AOC	049	050	051	052

Division 1662 – Waterfowl – Bantam Ducks

Breed/Variety	Drake	Duck	Young Drake	Young Duck
Call, Gray	001	002	003	004
Call, Snowy	005	006	007	008
Call, White	009	010	011	012
Call, AOV/AOC	013	014	015	016
East Indies, Black	017	018	0019	020
AOB/AOV/AOC	021	022	023	024

Section 16 – Waterfowl – Geese

Division 1663 – Waterfowl – Geese

Breed/Variety	Gander	Goose	Young Gander	Young Goose
African	001	002	003	004
Buff	005	006	007	008
Chinese, All Varieties	009	010	011	012
Egyptian	013	014	015	016
Emden	017	018	019	020
Pilgrim	021	022	023	024
Sebastopol	025	026	027	028
Toulouse	029	030	031	032
AOB/AOV	033	034	035	036

Section 17 – Turkeys

Division 1664 – Turkeys

Breed/Variety	Adult Tom	Adult Hen
Single Bird	001	002