

HUNTERDON COUNTY 4-H & AGRICULTURAL FAIR

4-H JUNIOR ROUND ROBIN

Date: THURSDAY of Fair at 7:00 PM

Location: SHEEP BARN

1. The Junior Round Robin is open to all livestock project members in the areas of goat, sheep, horse, rabbit, poultry, beef, and dairy.
2. Participants must be in good club standing and have completed all club requirements. Participants must have shown in their County 4-H show at the fair.
3. Judges may be senior members of your project area. Judges may ask each participant general knowledge questions of the species.

Teams

4. Teams are made up of FOUR participants (completed grades 4-8), (1) judge, and one adult handler/assistant. The selection of participants is up to each livestock group. It is recommended that a careful selection of participants should be made. Participants should be able to hold onto large animals.
5. Participants will be given a packet for them to take notes as they visit the other divisions. They will NOT be allowed to use the packet during the competition.
6. Participants should wear the clothes that they wear when showing for their club. They MUST wear closed-toe shoes or boots: no sneakers or steel-toed boots.
7. Each participant should have a number to pin on his or her back or a hat with a number may be worn. **Judges do not need a number.** Numbers should go as follows (Team A – 1, 2, 3, 4; Team B – 5, 6, 7, 8 etc.) Each participant will also have a score sheet, which will be given to each of the judges when they are showing.

Animal Selection

8. Four animals of each species are used. Animals should be those that are tame, easy to handle and easily managed. **Feisty animals will make kids very nervous and should not be used. Halters or collars are required on all large animals.**

Judge of Each Livestock Animal

9. Each team must supply a judge for their species. The judge must be a person who is knowledgeable in showmanship of the species and who has good public speaking ability. The judge will explain to all groups how to show the species and the additional team members will show the animal as the judge is talking.

Scoring Teams

10. Teams are scored as a group. Each judge will fill out a scorecard. Team scores for a particular species will be ranked from best (1) to worst. Ties will be assigned the same, lower number. All rankings will then be added for each group. The team with the lowest score wins. If there is a tie at this point, the two teams would have to select a livestock animal other than those in the tie and have a "show off."

Scoring Individuals

11. Everyone will be scored on the round robin score sheet. Members are scored in three categories: General Appearance, Showmanship, and Overall Impression. Judge's totals for a specific species will be ranked from highest (1) to lowest. Ties will be assigned the same, lower number. At the end of the event, all individual rankings will be tallied. Awards will be 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Teams will be placed as well. Certificates will be awarded to all participants.