Rabbits and Cavies

What is required for the Rabbit and Cavy Project?

- All rabbits and cavies the 4-Her plans to complete the project with must be registered with the county 4-H office by June 1st, if you plan on showing at State Fair. If you don’t plan on showing at State Fair they are due August 1st. (The registration form is in Appendix D)
- The 4-Her is required to complete Quality Assurance courses online. These classes are required if you are beginning the rabbit and cavy project and when you go from one age category to the next (Junior to Intermediate, Intermediate to Senior.) The website to complete Quality Assurance is https://webtools.moo.umd.edu/AHQA/.
- At the end of the year the 4-Her should complete a Project Record Book. (The form can be found in Appendix E.)

Do I have to own my own rabbit and/or cavy?

Yes, you must own and raise the rabbits and/or cavies you intend to use for the rabbit and cavy project.

What is required to take my rabbit and/or cavy to a show?

- A Self-Certification form must be completed prior to taking your rabbits and/or cavies to the show. (The form can be found in Appendix E.)
- Rabbits MUST have an individual ear tattoo. If you have any questions on tattooing you call the county 4-H office and they will point you in the direction of someone that can help.
- If your rabbits and/or cavies are going out-of-state to a show, check with state to see what may be required in order to show.

What is Available to further my Knowledge on Rabbits and/or Cavies?

- Rabbit Judging- Learn to evaluate a rabbit for breed, meat, and fur characteristics. Learn the different parts of a rabbits; equipment, breeds, and disqualification identification; and a written exam. The contest is held during State Fair.

If you are interested in getting involved with Rabbit Judging, contact your county 4-H Office to discover when and where the county practices meet and how to join in the fun!