

# Small Animal Showmanship

Judging: Check Species for schedule information  
 Entry Fee: \$1.00 per entry per class

## Rules & Guidelines:

- American System of Judging
- Small Animal Exhibitors may list two (2) animals on their entry form, but may only show one of the two animals in Showmanship. Both animals must be entered and shown in regular judging classes.
- All Showmanship classes must be pre-registered on an official entry form.
- Only animals owned, fitted and shown by the exhibitor on Junior Department classes, or required to be shown in showmanship.
- Any animal that is disqualified due to weight, at time of weigh in, is still eligible to be shown in showmanship.
- Animals removed from their exhibit cages or pens, must be returned immediately following the completion of showmanship.
- California State Fair Junior Livestock Competitions: check in the Livestock Office for the California State Fair Junior Best of Show Competition Entry Forms and Rules and Guidelines.
- Showmanship classes will be broken into groups as follows:
  - 4-H Clover Showmanship – Exhibitors who are 5 years to 8 years of age
  - 4-H Beginning Showmanship – Exhibitors who are 13 years of age and younger, who have never won a first place ribbon in Showmanship in that species category at the Santa Clara County Fair. Places 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> may enter Novice Showmanship this year.
  - 4-H Novice Showmanship – Exhibitors who are 14 years of age and older as of January 1, 2010, who have never won a first place ribbon in this category of livestock at the Santa Clara County Fair and exhibitor 13 years of age and younger who have not won a first place ribbon in Novice Showmanship with that species at the Santa Clara County Fair. Additionally any exhibitor from the 2009 Fair, Beginning Showmanship group who competed in 2009 at the Novice level, must now enter Novice Showmanship (or Advanced Showmanship if required). First place, second place and third place ribbon winners may enter Advanced Showmanship this year.
  - 4-H Advanced Showmanship – Exhibitors are of any age, who have won a first place ribbon in Novice Showmanship of this species in prior years at the Santa Clara County Fair. Additionally, any exhibitor who has exhibited in prior years' at the Santa Clara County Fair at the Advanced level, must show in the Advanced Showmanship group. The first place winners of the Advanced Showmanship classes will compete in the Small Animal Master Showmanship Contest (formerly called the Round Robin contest) and must be willing to let their animals be used in the Small Animal Master Showmanship Contest..
  - FFA Novice Showmanship – Exhibitors who are showing this species for the 1<sup>st</sup> year ever. Projects starting no sooner than September 1<sup>st</sup> of the preceding year. Top three winners may enter Advanced Showmanship this year FFA Advanced Showmanship – Any FFA member who has shown in previous years and the top three winners from this year's Novice Showmanship Classes.

Section	Breed
750	Cavy Showmanship
751	Dog Showmanship
752	Rabbit Showmanship
753	Poultry Showmanship
754	Pygmy Goat Showmanship

Class	Sex/Age
1	4-H Clover Showmanship
2	4-H Beginning Showmanship
3	4-H Novice Showmanship
4	4-H Advanced Showmanship
5	FFA Novice Showmanship
6	FFA Advanced Showmanship

# Small Animal Master Showmanship Contest

(Formerly called Round Robin Contest)

No pre-entry required. Entrants based on showmanship placing.

Participants will meet in the Livestock Area at 11:30 am on Saturday, August 7th.

Competition begins at 12:00 noon

1. An individual can win Small Animal Master Showmanship (Round Robin) only once, and thereafter, is not eligible to participate in the contest.
  2. ONLY SANTA CLARA COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SMALL ANIMAL MASTER SHOWMANSHIP (ROUND ROBIN) CONTEST.
  3. Only winners of advanced showmanship (in rabbits, cavies, dogs, poultry and pygmy goats) are eligible to participate in Small Animal Master Showmanship. If the first place winner of Advanced Showmanship in one of the above categories was a previous Round Robin Winner, or if for any other reason the Advanced Showmanship winner does not participate in the Master Showmanship, then the second place individual from that same category would be eligible for Master Showmanship.
  4. The Small Animal Master Showmanship Contest will be handled by the 4-H Small Animal Chair.
- FFA Small Animal Master Showmanship (Saturday, August 7th at 12:00 noon in Livestock Area)  
4-H Small Animal Master Showmanship (Saturday, August 7th at 12:00 noon in Livestock Area)