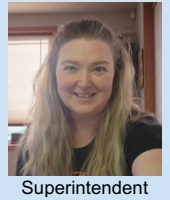




**MARKET
POULTRY
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PCYMS Market Poultry Department
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Event	Location	Date	Time
Last day to register online	FairEntry	Friday, June 15, 2026	Until 9:59 p.m.
Haul-In/Vet Check	Green Parking Lot	Wednesday, August 12, 2026	4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

All animals must be entered in [FairEntry](#).
 The Superintendent will assign stalls and pens. Do not unload until granted permission by the Fair Veterinarian.

PCYMS Market Poultry Department Rules, Regulations and Eligibility

- Exhibitors must fit and show their own animal. Exhibitors not caring for or arranging for care (sharing Herdsmanship) of their animals will be disqualified and asked to remove them.
- Each Exhibitor is responsible for fitting their own animal. A parent or junior leader may assist by holding the animal for fitting.
- If an Exhibitor does not plan to show up after entry day, please notify the Superintendent before animals are entered on Wednesday, August 12, 2026.
- Pens must be cleaned by 10:00 a.m. daily.
- Birdsmanship is required of all Exhibitors who bring animals to the Fair. Premiums are not paid for Market Sale Birdsmanship.
- Each exhibitor may be enrolled in 4-H or a member of an FFA Chapter and be actively caring for the animal(s) exhibited as a 4-H project or an FFA livestock project. Open Class is the exception to this rule. 4-H and FFA members must be enrolled as a member of Pierce County 4-H or an FFA Chapter. Each 4-H and FFA member must follow the rules and regulations of their respective organization and the Pierce County Fair. If any disciplinary action is taken of an Exhibitor during the Fair, the PCYMS Committee reserves the right to review all actions and may result in not being allowed to sell.
- The Intent to Sell shall be completed to be eligible for the sale and be postmarked by May 15th for steers, lamb, swine, and goats. And June 15th for poultry and rabbits. Intent to Sale forms can be uploaded to [FairEntry](#), mailed to Market Animal Sale Committee, PO BOX 1365; Graham, WA 98338 or emailed to info@pcyms.org Copies of the Intent to Sell form are available on the PCYMS website at www.pcyms.org
- The Market Sale Sifting Committee shall inspect all animals entered in the division during weigh-in. If the animal does not meet weight limits, the exhibit will be eliminated from the auction. However, the Exhibitor may change his/her entry and show it in the appropriate division, class & lot, not associated with the Market Sale. Exhibitors must be present for inspection and weigh-in. **NO PROXIES ALLOWED WITHOUT PRIOR SALE COMMITTEE APPROVAL.**
- No animal previously sold at any youth sale shall be allowed to be resold at the Pierce County Youth Market Sale.
- If you choose to participate in the Pierce County Youth Market Sale, you may not cross enter that project animal into any neighboring county fair market animal sales or the 2026 Pierce County Fair. For the current year (the Northwest Junior Livestock Show, Puget Sound Livestock Show, and Washington Junior Lamb Carcass Show are not county fairs.)

LIVE WEIGHT, GRADING, & AGE REQUIREMENTS FOR MARKET ANIMALS:

If the weight of an animal is contested, it must stay in the immediate vicinity of the scale to be re-weighed.

Only Lots awarded a blue or red ribbon in their Market Class will be allowed to sell at Auction.

All birds must be in the exhibitor’s possession and on feed, adhering to the guidelines below to meet age and maturity requirements by these timeframes but no later:

- **MARKET CHICKEN**
 - a. *Accepted Breeds:* Cornish Cross or Commercial Red Ranger
 - b. Pen of 3: 8-12 weeks of age at time of Auction
 - c. Minimum weight 4 pounds each
 - d. For the health of the bird, it is strongly recommended that birds not exceed 10 pounds
- **MARKET TURKEY**
 - a. *Accepted Breeds:* Broad Breasted White or Bronze
 - b. *Single Entry Only:* Hen or Tom 14-24 weeks old
 - c. Minimum weight 12 pounds. For the health of the bird, it is strongly recommended that birds not exceed 30 pounds

In the event, the animal is over the maximum weight listed in the exhibitor guide, and the animal receives and blue or red ribbon, it will still be eligible for sale but sold at auction price per pound up to the maximum weight listed. If no maximum weight is listed, the buyer will pay the actual weight of the animal.

All poultry should be properly groomed prior to check in. No whole-body bathing will be allowed on fairgrounds.

QUALITY ASSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Each exhibitor is required to complete the Youth for Quality Care of Animals. In person classes are strongly encouraged however there is an online program available at <https://yqcaprogram.org>
2. Proof of Completion is required by midnight, June 15th of each sale year. Your certificate of completion must be uploaded to [FairEntry](#).

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION:

Poultry should have appropriate Pierce County Market sale issued leg bands; leg bands need to be in place prior to haul in.

ENTRY REGULATIONS:

1. **Each exhibitor may consign up to two (2) units for this sale.** A unit is considered to be a single steer, a single market swine, a single market lamb, a single meat goat, a single market rabbit (fryer/roaster/stewer), a pen of 3 market rabbits (fryers), a single market turkey, a pen of 3 market chickens.
2. Exhibitors may not withdraw their exhibits from the show or auction after weigh-in on the day before the fair.
3. Market animals must not be in any type of partnership. If this rule is violated, future entries into the sale may be limited.
4. Exhibitors and/or others may not buy animals for specific return of animals to the seller to be shown at other shows and/or market sales by any exhibitor.
5. NO ANIMAL WILL BE ALLOWED TO SELL UNLESS AN INTENT TO SELL OF SALE RULES IS SIGNED BY EXHIBITOR, LEADER/ADVISOR, AND PARENT/GUARDIAN AND RECEIVED BY SECRETARY BY DUE DATES INDICATED ON INTENT TO SELL FORM.
6. No animal will be weighed without a completed Market Health Record.
7. Cost worksheets will be required to be posted for every animal by noon on Thursday of fair week.

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MARKET CHICKEN

Class / Description	Lot	Description	Lot	Description	Points
Market Poultry Herdsmanship Class 500	1	Open Thursday Herdsmanship	5	FFA Thursday Herdsmanship	Ribbon Only
	2	Open Friday Herdsmanship	6	FFA Friday Herdsmanship	
	3	Open Saturday Herdsmanship	7	FFA Saturday Herdsmanship	
	4	Open Sunday Herdsmanship	8	FFA Sunday Herdsmanship	
Note: Required of all Exhibitors. The number of shifts required is determined by the number of Exhibitors. Register in FairEntry by June 15, 2026, 9:59 p.m.					
Market Chicken Fitting & Showmanship Class 501	1	Open Showmanship Pee-Wee	5	FFA Showmanship Junior	Blue Red White
	2	Open Showmanship Junior	6	FFA Showmanship Intermediate	
	3	Open Showmanship Intermediate	7	FFA Showmanship Senior	
	4	Open Showmanship Senior			
Market Chicken Class 502	1	Open Market Chicken, Pen of 3		Blue	20
	2	FFA Market Chicken, Pen of 3		Red	14
				White	10
Market Chicken Record Book Class 503	1	Open Record Book Pee-Wee	5	FFA Record Book Junior	Blue Red White
	2	Open Record Book Junior	6	FFA Record Book Intermediate	
	3	Open Record Book Intermediate	7	FFA Record Book Senior	
	4	Open Record Book Senior			
Note: Record books are required of all Exhibitors.					
Educational Display (Poster) (minimum size 14"x22") Class 100	1	Open Educational Display Pee-Wee	5	FFA Educational Display Junior	Blue Red White
	2	Open Educational Display Junior	6	FFA Educational Display Intermediate	
	3	Open Educational Display Intermediate	7	FFA Educational Display Senior	
	4	Open Educational Display Senior			
Note: Exhibitor needs to enter animal in Market Sale in order to enter an Educational Poster. One entry per Class per Exhibitor is the limit.					

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Note: Required of all Exhibitors. Each Exhibitor may earn premiums for up to (4) four shifts. The number of shifts required is determined by the number of Exhibitors. Register in FairEntry by May 29, 2026, 9:59 p.m.						
Market Turkey Fitting & Showmanship Class 601	1	Open Showmanship Pee-Wee	5	FFA Showmanship Junior	Blue Red White	50 38 25
	2	Open Showmanship Junior	6	FFA Showmanship Intermediate		
	3	Open Showmanship Intermediate	7	FFA Showmanship Senior		
	4	Open Showmanship Senior				
Market Turkey Class 602	1	Open Market Turkey, Hen or Tom			Blue	20 14 10
	2	FFA Market Turkey, Hen or Tom			Red White	
Market Turkey Record Book Class 603	1	Open Record Book Pee-Wee	5	FFA Record Book Junior	Blue Red White	30 23 7
	2	Open Record Book Junior	6	FFA Record Book Intermediate		
	3	Open Record Book Intermediate	7	FFA Record Book Senior		
	4	Open Record Book Senior				
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SALE REGULATIONS:

1. The official judge, while judging for Market Class, may exclude the exhibit from the sale if the animal fails to meet the minimum grade as established.
2. All project animals found eligible for the sale will be weighed for sale weight on Wednesday during weigh-in. Sellers must be present to bring their animals into the auction ring, or they will not be sold. **NO PROXIES ALLOWED WITHOUT PRIOR SALE COMMITTEE APPROVAL.**
3. If a weight is contested on any animal, the animal must stay within the scale area and be re-weighed immediately.
4. Poultry will be sold by the Lot.
5. All sales are final.
6. The Sale Committee and the judge will determine the sale order.
7. USDA requirements for withdrawal of feed additives and medications shall be followed. If the animal is condemned during processing for violation of these USDA requirements, it is the seller's responsibility to absorb the loss.

SELLER'S RESPONSIBILITY:

1. Each Exhibitor/Seller assume the responsibility for securing at least three potential buyers for each animal to be sold.
2. All Exhibitors/Sellers are required to care for market animals until the animal leaves the Fairgrounds or until the livestock release time.

EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS:

1. One entry per Class per Exhibitor per species entered in Market Sale.
2. Posters must be readable from a distance of 10 feet.
3. No copyrighted illustrations or cartoons may be used on posters.
4. The following information should be listed on the back of your poster:
 - o Exhibitor's Name
 - o Age
 - o Resources