

# 2020-2021 WALWORTH CTY POULTRY PROJECT



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## WALWORTH COUNTY FAIR REQUIREMENTS

The following are required to show poultry at the Walworth County Fair:

- You must have a premise ID if you keep your animals on your premise. This is applied for through the State of Wisconsin at <u>www.datcp.state.wi.us/premise/</u>
- 2. At least one poultry project meeting must be attended by each poultry project member. See the list of project dates in the packet.. Reminder that you must sign in at the meetings you attend.

We will be adding another day to bring in your scratches which will be one week before fair (date to be announced later). You may bring your scratches to either set up, the additional date we have added or you can still bring them to check-in. If you bring your health papers to the new scratch date just before fair it will make your check in easier.

Changes on tags can be made until the Friday after setup at 5pm. You can only change class and sex but not species. So you can go from chicken to chicken, duck to duck but NOT duck to chicken. If you have questions regarding this, please see a committee member.

- 3. ALL poultry, including turkeys and waterfowl, must have health papers. There has been a lot of confusion of health papers so please see the next few pages for assistance.
- 4 ALL members MUST sign up for at least one 2 hour shift of barn duty during the fair. Sign up can be done as early as set up.
- 5 All birds brought to the fair must be clean and parasite free and kept clean throughout the fair.
- 6 All birds except roasters and broilers must be received or in your possession by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

# FAIR WEEK EXPECTATIONS You've worked hard for this: let's take pride in our barn!!!

BEFORE BRINGING BIRDS TO THE FAIR: Please wash your birds. If they come to the fairgrounds dirty, we will send them home to be cleaned if needed. Dust for mites and parasites too! Place leg bands on all birds and put your leg band number on your entry tag.

TUESDAY BEFORE FAIR: Find cages, fill the cages with wood shavings (provided in the poultry barn and be sure birds have food and water. Make sure the entry tags are stapled to the boards and attached to the front of cages. (Ducks like to eat tags...)

WATERING JUGS: If using milk cartons for turkeys or ducks, please do not cut the hole in the carton any larger than the bird needs to fit his/her head in & out. (approximately the size of a tennis ball). Ducks like to play in water and this will help keep your cages a little cleaner.

FAIR WEEK: Daily chores should be done in early am, if possible. (barn is open at 6:30am). Daily chores consist of watering, feeding and cleaning cages. It does not look appropriate to be cleaning your cages when fair guests are walking through the barn to view your hard work. IF you can not clean early we ask that you clean them in the evening before leaving the fairgrounds at night.

CLEANING CAGES: There are wheel barrels, shovels, hoes, etc provided for cleaning cages. Please make sure floor is swept clean around your birds after cleaning to make way for guests. Empty YOUR own wheel barrel after use even if is not completely full so others don't have to. Put equipment away when done for others to easily find and use. Clean cages once per day and bed down twice daily.

POULTRY FEED: You will need to provide your own feed. Feed can be kept in the poultry barn storage room located to the right of the entrance. Please put your name on the bucket or bag that your feed is in. DO NOT use someone else's feed unless you have permission to do so. Birds must be fed and watered on a daily basis.

BARN DUTY: All exhibitors entered at the fair are required to do barn duty at lease <u>once</u>. Barn duty includes sweeping the floor and watering any and all birds that run empty during the day especially when it is hot. You may need to talk with quests when they have questions. You <u>must</u> check in and out of barn duty with a committee member. Please take your turn and be responsible.

SHOW DAY: No cell phones or electronics are allowed during judging by members. Remember that everyone is busy on show day bur we still need to keep the barn clean. Everyone is on barn duty on show day.

MONDAY: If you clean your cage on Sunday night it is not necessary to clean again on Monday. Everyone selling in the Fur and Feather sale are expected to help set up in the Wiswell center for the auction. AFTER the sale you are expected to help move cages and birds back to the poultry barn. BIRDS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE FAIRGROUNDS UNTIL AFTER 4PM ON MONDAY. All birds must be removed by 8pm.

REMOVING BIRDS ON MONDAY: Everyone is expected to empty and clean food and water dishes (washing stations are set up between the poultry barn and the sheep barn). You are also responsible for removing the wooden tags from cages. When leaving you need to check your birds out with a committee member.

LETS HAVE A WONDERFUL FAIR AND WORK TOGETHER AS A TEAM. THANK YOU!

Your Poultry Committee

# HEALTH PAPER OPTIONS

Type of health papers accepted:

- Wisconsin Tested Flock. If you have and birds carried over from last year or older you <u>must</u> be tested by one of our certified testers and become a Wisconsin Tested Flock. Testing is usually done in the spring. A copy of this certificate is what you will need to show at the fair.
- Wisconsin Associate Flock. If every bird on your farm was hatched after January 1<sup>st</sup> and you have health papers for them from where-you got them, you can apply for a Wisconsin Associate Flock. Testing is not required. A form for this is enclosed in the packet.
- 3. Wisconsin Individual Test Report. This certificate is only for the birds you are showing at the fair. You must pick your birds, they must be leg banded and then you <u>must</u> be tested. Only these birds can be showed at the fair. This test is good for only 90 days. Again, this requires your birds to be tested.

If you fall into options 1 or 2 you will receive a certificate in the mail. A copy needs to be brought to the fair. If you fall into option 3 you will be given your paperwork at the time of testing. Again, you will need to bring a copy to the fair. Options 1 and 2 are preferred. Testing MUST be done prior to check in of the fair.

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# Wisconsin Associate Flock Enrollment Application S. ATCP 10.40 (3), Wis. Adm. Code

## For Year Ending June 30,

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Flock Owner's Address	S.		City		State	Zip Code	
Primary Contact for Fig	ook		LA.	Contact's Phone Number:			
Address of premises v			City		State	Zip Code	
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I certify as flock owner that no other positivy or farm-raised game birds are on my pramises other than those lated above. I am enclosing a photocopy of proof that all of the birds in the flock were acquired directly from a flock enrolled in the Wisconsin Tested Flock Program, NPIP or NPIP affiliate programs. I understand that all sales must be reported on a Wisconsin Intrastate Sale of Poulity/Eggs (form ah-poult-2740) to the WDATCP-DAH within 10 days of sale, and a copy of the enrollment certificate must accompany any sales or movement and must be given to each purchaser.							
Flock Owner's Signat				Title: (if applicable)	Date:		

Personal information you provide may be used for purposes other than that for which it was originally collected (s. 15.04(1)(m)Wis. Stats.)

Distribution of this 2 ply form:

Original - Mail to WDATCP-DAH

Pink - Flock Owner



# SOME COMMON PARASITES OF POULTRY

**MITES-** The most common external parasite.

- 1. Can be seen by good eye or magnifying glass
- 2. Treated with Ivermectin or other topical treatment
- 3. Causes scaly skin, flaking, and disfiguring of face and legs

**LICE-** Another external parasite.

- 1. Can be seen under microscope or with magnifying glass
- 2. Treated with dusting powder or spray
- 3. Causes feather picking, scratching and decreased productivity

**COCCIDIA**- Eggs passes through fecal and oral transmission.

- 1. The vet can determine if present
- 2. Treated by oral medications in feed or water
- 3. Causes weak birds with bloody or mucous diarrhea

**WORMS**- Passed through fecal or oral transmission

Treadworms-Causes weak birds that don't eat well, may have diarrhea Ascarids-May show no signs at all Gapeworm- Causes breathing problems, voice changes, or coughing

- 1. May cough up eggs, consult a vet
- 2. Treated with Ivermectin or other oral treatment
- 3. Can cause weak, unthrifty birds or death

# POULTRY FEED

The following are feed recommendations from most feed companies:

<u>Starter</u>

Grower

Standard/bantam chickens Turkeys/meat chickens Waterfowl 21% medicated27% medicate20% non-medicated

15% non-medicated20% non-medicated16% non-medicated

The percentages refer to the amount of protein in the feed. There is a difference between companies. This should not be more than 2% either way.

As you become more experienced you may make some changes. For instance, we substitute 16% layer for grower on regular chickens and 20% turkey grower for show chickens.

The rule has always been "Do not use medicated feed for waterfowl." Every year we hear of someone who feeds it and has no problems. Since non-medicated is cheaper, why take a chance?

Some people feel that feeding scratch feeds (corn, wheat, and oats) is a way to reduce your feed bill. Unfortunately this also reduces the amount of protein the bird takes in. A lack of protein slows growth and feather development.

The best advice is buy a brand name feed and keep it clean and dry. Give them all they want without wasting it. They will do fine.