

# Department Q

## Junior Laying Hen Show



**Entry Deadline: August 21, 2024**

**Check-in:** Wednesday August 28, in place by 4:00 pm

**Location:** Agriculture Barn

**Judging:** August 28, Wednesday 6:00 pm

**Release:** After the conclusion of show

### GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Competition is open to all North Carolina youth residents under the age of 21 as of January 1, 2024.
2. Entries are limited to the first 30 exhibitors registered.
3. Each exhibitor will bring laying hen entries and supply their own food and water. Show cages will be provided.
4. Limit two hens to each breed class- Commercial, Bantam, and AOB. Hens should be 12 months old or less.

### SHOW DAY AND JUDGING

1. Class breaks will be determined by breed of laying hen.
2. On judging day all exhibitors must check-in with their laying hens. Once checked in each exhibitor will be assigned a cage for each bird. It's the exhibitor's responsibility to maintain the cleanliness of the cages until judging time.
3. Judging of birds will be based on uniformity, body conformation, health characteristics, laying potential, and other aspects of the bird quality at the judge's discretion. During judging NO exhibitor is allowed to talk to the judge except when being asked by the judge. Exhibitors may watch but must save all questions until all judging is done. After the competition, exhibitors may ask the judge for clarification on decisions and areas of future improvements. Interfering with judging will be grounds for disqualification. These rules apply to anyone acting on behalf of the exhibitor.

### CLASS

Commercial Laying Hen- Any white, commercial-type chicken (Leghorns, etc.)

Bantam- Any chickens weighing 4 lbs and under not in Commercial

AOB- Any Chicken weighing above 4 lbs not in Commercial

Grand Champion, Reserve Champion, and 3rd-10th will be awarded in each breed class.

### PREMIUM SCHEDULE:

Grand Champion- \$30	6th- \$10
Reserve Grand Champion- \$25	7th- \$10
3rd- \$20	8th- \$10
4th- \$15	9th- \$10
5th- \$15	10th- \$10