

Youth Market Turkey Program

2022 Show & Sale Rules

Important Dates:

Entry Forms (Online Only): Open March 1, 2022

Close April 15, 2022

Drawing: Monday, April 25, 2022 at 6 PM

Mandatory Exhibitor Meeting: Following Drawing on April 25, 2022

Turkey Poult (baby turkey) Pick Up: TBA

Check In to 2021 HCF: Wednesday, November 2, 2022 from 5-7 PM

Judging: Thursday, November 3, 2022

Sale: Saturday, November 5, 2022 at 12 PM

THIS IS A TERMINAL SHOW-ALL TURKEYS WILL GO TO PROCESSING!!

Exhibitor Rules:

1. The Hillsborough County Fair Youth Market Turkey Program is open to any youth in Hillsborough County public, private, or homeschooled program, Hillsborough County 4-H or Hillsborough County FFA programs. Youth must be between the ages of 5-18.
2. There will be a limit of 50 participants. Entry forms must be completed online by Friday, April 15, 2022 at midnight. Forms will be time stamped by online system. **New for 2022: There will be a drawing this year for the Market Turkey Show/Sale on April 25, 2022 at 6 PM at the Hillsborough**

County Fairgrounds. You must be present at the drawing to be eligible and payment MUST be made the night of the drawing.

3. Exhibitor will be allowed to raise 2 turkeys but only 1 will be entered in the TERMINAL Turkey sale. If you would like to exhibit your extra turkey, you can enter the Poultry Show (check-in November 8, 2022, see Poultry Rules). *PLEASE NOTE, ONCE BIRDS ARE IN YOUR POSSESSION, THE FAIR CANNOT REPLACE ANY BIRDS THAT ARE LOST!
4. Entry fee is \$20 for 1 bird, or \$30 for 2. Once a selection is made on entry forms for 1 or 2 birds, you may not change the amount. Please select Class 1 for 1 bird, and Class 2 for 2 birds!
5. Poult Pick Up: TBA. Exhibitor will pick up birds ordered and will receive a small bag of starter feed for the bird. There will be a MANDATORY exhibitor meeting for youth to learn about care and nutrition for your bird. This meeting will be at the Market Animal Seminar, date to be announced. Please bring a container with dry shavings for bedding to take your bird home. Poults will be close to 3 weeks old at time of pick up so please plan for raising these birds in a brooder or under a heat lamp at first. Each participant will receive a DOUBLE BREASTED BRONZE TURKEY and turkeys will be from a straight run (mixture of hens and toms).
6. Show: Each exhibitor will be allowed to exhibit 1 turkey in the 2022 Youth HCF Market Turkey Show. This show will be separate from the 2022 HCF Poultry Show. If you decide to show your extra bird at the poultry show, entry forms must be filled out to exhibit in that show. Please make sure you transport your bird in safe conditions with non-slippery surfaces while transporting. Birds will be checked in on Wednesday, November 2, 2022 between 5-7 PM. Every bird will be banded with a leg band for identification at check in. Birds will be kept and cared for by fair staff from Wednesday, November 2 through Sunday, November 6, 2022. All participants will be given a cage number and leg band ID number for their bird.
7. Fair Entry: Each participant will receive an armband that will allow entry from Thursday, November 3 through Sunday, November 6, 2022. Each participant will also receive 2 complimentary tickets per day, per exhibitor to use for parents or buyers.

8. Minimum weight required for exhibitor turkeys will be 15 pounds. Birds will be weighed at check in to allow your bidder to see the weight of the bird they intend to bid on. The weight will be displayed on the cages. Birds will be checked by state inspectors to adhere to state rules and to check that birds are of show quality.
9. Sale: The exhibitor will have NO option but to enter the sale at time of check in with their project. The exhibitor must bring 1 bird to the sale. Birds sold in the sale will be transported to the processor. Please be aware all entered in sale are terminal projects and birds will be sent to the processor. NO BIRDS WILL LEAVE WITH THE EXHIBITOR. ALL BIRDS WILL BE SENT TO PROCESSOR. Selection of the bird entered must be made before you leave home and before check in. If exhibitor has a bird not entered in the sale, you must leave the other bird at home to continue to raise or send to the processor after sale for your personal food consumption. Sale will be Saturday, November 5 at 12 PM. Buyers must register with Youth Market Coordinators. Payment MUST be received BEFORE birds are picked up from processor. Buyers will pay processing fee for birds purchased. Processing is for whole bird packaging. THIS FEE IS TO BE PAID TO THE HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY FAIR AT THE END OF THE AUCTION. We encourage youth to find buyers for your turkey if entered in sale. Exhibitors will be responsible for sending thank you letters to buyers.
10. There will be a 2% deduction from all market animals. Please see General Livestock Rules.
11. All General Livestock Rules apply to all specie shows.
12. Premiums: Blue Ribbon-\$10
Red Ribbon-\$7
White Ribbon-\$5
Grand and Reserve will receive ribbons, no additional premiums.

Market Animal Seminar

Hillsborough County Fairgrounds

TO BE ANNOUNCED AFTER THE DRAWING.

Points will be awarded for attending and go toward premier exhibitor!!