

OSRBA YOUTH COMPETITIONS

ONLINE PRE-ENTRY ONLY

Deadline: April 10, 2025

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CONTEST RULES FOR PARTICIPATION:

- Any OSRBA youth member that is a permanent resident of Ohio may participate in the age specifications noted below
- Proof of membership with the OSRBA and the ARBA will be requested upon entry
- ALL contestants will be required to sign a waiver/photo release in order to participate
- Age division will be determined based on age of the last day of show (Sunday) of OSRBA show weekend
- OSRBA age division and competitions will align with ARBA age specific competitions
- All youth participating must check in at designated area and time prior to competition, which will be specified after pre-entry is completed
 - Contestants will be given approximate times for their individual contests at check-in
- If applicable, call backs will be announced by 3 pm on the day of competition
- Winners will be announced at ceremony on Sunday morning of OSRBA show
- Royal Court contestants must be present at award ceremony to win

AGE DIVISIONS:

Senior: 15-18 years of age

Intermediate: 12-14 years of age

Junior: 5-11 years of age

ENTRY PROCEDURES:

- Contest entry forms and applications are available on OSRBA.net website under the youth portal
- **Deadline for entry is 11:59:59 PM April 10, 2025**
- Email entry submission is required

AVAILABLE CONTESTS

SKILL-A-THON:

- **Who is eligible for competition: 5-8 years of age**
- Contestants will participate in various knowledge and skill stations
- Each station will have a 10 minute time limit

SHOWMANSHIP:

- **Who is eligible for competition: 9-11 years of age**
- Contestants must provide their own animal for competition
- ARBA showmanship scorecard will be utilized
- Showmanship may be completed with either rabbit or cavy
- Showmanship presentation will have a 15 minute time limit
- Winners will be chosen amongst both rabbit and cavy entries

BREED ID:

- **Who is eligible for competition: ALL age divisions**
- Identify up to 25 rabbits and/or cavies
- Must state the breed, showroom classification, 4 class/6 class, and registration variety
- NO abbreviations will be accepted
- A separate animal and/or question will act as a tiebreaker
- The ARBA Breed ID guide will be used to identify all animals

JUDGING CONTEST:

- **Who is eligible for competition: Intermediate and Seniors**
- Each contestant will be required to place 3 classes of 4 animals
- Judging classes may consist of rabbits (including meat classes), cavies, fur and/or wool
- Each class will be allotted no more than 7 minutes per class
- Contestants may utilize the ARBA Standard of Perfection during judging

WRITTEN CONTESTS

YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT

- **Who is eligible for competition: ALL age divisions**
- All answers must be the words of the contestant. Parents may help with proofreading and formatting ONLY.
- 6 page, single sided length maximum
- Do NOT put your name, ARBA number, or any headings on application
- Do NOT use a cover sheet. Contest entry form is required and will not count toward 6 page maximum
- Submit application in PDF format via email
 - Scoring will be as follows:

CATEGORY	POINTS
Achievement	60
Leadership	50
Goals	40
Involvement	30
Neatness & Appearance of Application	20

Failure to follow any rule as listed will result in 10 point deduction for each infraction

YOUTH RABBIT/CAVY MANAGEMENT

- **Divisions are:**
 - **Limited Rabbitry (1-20 holes)**
 - **Average Rabbitry (21-50 holes)**
 - **Unlimited Rabbitry (51+ holes)**
 - **Caviary of any size**
- All answers must be the words of the contestant. Parents may help with proofreading and formatting ONLY.
- 7 page, single sided length maximum
- Do NOT put your name, ARBA number, or any headings on application
- Do NOT use a cover sheet. Contest entry form is required and will not count toward 7 page maximum
- Submit application in PDF format via email
- Contestants may enter ONE rabbit and ONE cavy division
 - Scoring will be as follows:

CATEGORY	POINTS
Herd, Housing, & Equipment	50
Breeding & Production	50
Care, Health, & Herd Management	50
Record Keeping	30
Neatness, Clarity, & Thoroughness of Answers	20

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YOUTH ROYALTY CONTESTS

- Divisions are:
 - BOYS
 - King (15-18 years of age)
 - Duke (12-14 years of age)
 - Prince (9-11 years of age)
 - Lord (5-8 years of age)
 - GIRLS
 - Queen (15-18 years of age)
 - Duchess (12-14 years of age)
 - Princess (9-11 years of age)
 - Lady (5-8 years of age)

Written Application

- All answers must be the words of the contestant
 - Parents may help with proofreading and formatting ONLY
- 7 page, single sided length maximum
- Do NOT put your name, ARBA number, or any headings on application
- Do NOT use a cover sheet but contest entry form must be included
- Submit application in PDF format via email
- Contestants must be present at award ceremony to win
- Contestants must provide a photo of head/shoulders or waist up with application
 - Photo should be in JPG format
 - Photo may include rabbit but should maintain you as the primary focus
- Contestants should write a biography, as a separate document, and submit in PDF format with application
 - Biography parameters are as follows:
 - 300-600 word short description of your achievements
 - Does NOT count toward your page limit of application
 - Write in first person as narrative
- Failure to follow any rule as listed will result in 20 point deduction of total score
- Scoring for written application will be as follows:

CATEGORY	POINTS
Introduction & Background	30
Involvement & Leadership	40
Plans & Goals	30
Management	40
Achievement	40
Clarity & Thoroughness of Answers Neatness of Application Followed Instructions	20

Contest Components

- Each contestant must compete in their age appropriate individual contest
 - King/Queen and Duke/Duchess - compete in judging contest
 - Prince/Princess - compete in showmanship
 - Lord/Lady - compete in skill-a-thon
- Each contestant must compete in breed ID
- Each contestant will take a written exam during OSRBA weekend
 - Questions can come from any ARBA resource, including, but not limited to:
 - Standard of Perfection
 - ARBA official guidebook
 - ARBA official yearbook
 - Previous 2 years of ARBA domestic rabbit publication
 - ARBA website
 - For those needing assistance reading and writing, a proctor will be available
 - Request for a proctor will be required upon pre-entry of competition to ensure an adequate number of proctors are available
- Select contestants will be provided a 15 minute oral interview
 - Interview order will be posted by noon on the Saturday of OSRBA show weekend
 - If not all interviews can be conducted, this score will be dropped from all applicants within the category
 - Failure to show for an interview, will provide the candidate a zero for the interview score
 - Proper show attire is preferred for the interview
 - Show coat OR apron with long sleeve shirt
 - Clean and nice pants
 - Closed toe, neutral colored shoes
- Winners will be chosen utilizing the following point system:

CATEGORY	POINTS
Written Application	200
Written Examination	200
Oral Interview	200
Breed Identification	200
Age-appropriate Competition	200