

# **POCKET PET GUIDELINES**

## **POCKET PET COMMITTEE**

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**Costume Class:** Wednesday, September 2, 7:00 p.m. - Barn #10

**Decorated Cage Contest:** Saturday, September 5, 5:00 p.m. - Barn #10

**Breed Judging:** Sunday, September 6, 10:00 a.m. - Coliseum

**Showmanship:** Monday, September 7, 9:00 a.m. - Coliseum

1. Any member wishing to exhibit a pocket pet at the Canfield Fair must be enrolled in the club by the March 15, or add by April 1, 2025. Members must complete Junior Fair Registration by the April 7 deadline. All animal projects must be in members' possession by May 15th.
2. All members must attend 3 (three) meetings throughout the year. In addition, all members must attend the Small Animal Interview Judging/Skillathon in June. Members who have a conflict with the June judging, may attend a written make-up at the Barn #35 Open House in August. Any member who fails to meet meeting requirements or the Skillathon requirement shall not be able to show at the fair. Members with a conflict should contact the Pocket Pet Committee. Members must attend the February, March or April Pocket Pet meeting to exhibit a Pocket Pet in the Junior Fair.
3. Parents attendance does not count toward the meeting requirement if a member is not able to attend.
4. No animal will be permitted on the fairgrounds without Health Check on Entry Day.
5. Exhibitors must be present during Breed Judging or project will be considered incomplete, unless arrangements were made before judging.
6. Showmanship and Breed Judging during the fair are mandatory. All members will participate in showmanship according to their 4-H age with an overall Showman of Showmen chosen. Breed judging is according to the member's project, with an Overall Best of Show and Reserve chosen. Failure to participate in either judging, shall result in a one year suspension from participation in the Junior Fair Show.
7. No pregnant animals, or animals with litters are permitted at the fair.
8. Members are required to provide cages and feed. CAGES MUST BE ESCAPE PROOF.
9. Exhibitors **MUST CLEAN CAGES DAILY.**
6. Members are responsible for his or her own animal. Failure to comply with this rule may result in in a one year suspension from participation in the Junior Fair Show.
7. Due to the availability of space, cage size will be limited according to size of animal, and members may be limited to number of projects permitted to exhibit.
8. No animal or supplies shall be removed from the fairgrounds after 8:00 p.m. Entry Day through 9:00 p.m. Monday, unless approved by Junior Fair Management. Violation of this rule shall result in a one year suspension of the member from the Junior Fair Show.
9. All members who intend on exhibiting at the fair are requested to pay dues by the last mandatory meeting to assist with the cost of awards & fair supplies.
10. All members must follow Small & Exotic Animal Guidelines.
11. **ALL MEMBERS OF THIS CLUB WILL WORK TOGETHER AS A TEAM.** Any conflicts among members of this club shall be handled by the Advisor discovering the conflict. The advisor or the member may refer the conflict to the full committee. The full committee may find as follows: 1) No further action is necessary, 2) The offending members shall be called to a special meeting of the full committee with their parents to discuss the conflict. 3) Suspension of offending members for one year from the Junior Fair Show and club. 4)Expulsion of the offending members from the club. 5) If it is determined that one or more parents caused the conflict(s), the full committee shall ban the parent from Junior Fair programs and activities. The determination of the full committee shall be final.
12. Anyone in the audience coaching exhibitors may result in the youth being disqualified. Refer to the Exhibitor Only Policy.

**ANY OF THESE GUIDELINES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT THE  
DISCRETION OF THE COMMITTEE.**