

## POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

(Adapted from "Poultry Showmanship", Level II - 4-H Poultry Leader Notebook)  
Juniors 7-9 years, Intermediate 10-13 years, and Seniors 14 years and older

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H AGE (AS OF Jan. 1) \_\_\_\_\_

Ribbon Placing (circle one):      Purple              Blue              Red              White

Judging Criteria	Possible Score	Score
SECTION 1: 4-H'ERS APPEARANCE Well Groomed - 5 points Proper Attire - 5 points	10	
SECTION 2: QUALITY AND CONDITION OF BIRD Pleasing Appearance - 2 points Good, smooth plumage - 2 points Breed and Variety Characteristics - 2 points Free from diseases and parasites - 2 points Gentle and not flighty - 2 points	10	
SECTION 3: EXAMINATION AND HANDLING OF BIRD Carrying and handling of bird - 6 points      Feet and Legs - 3 points Wings - 3 points    Head - 3 points Width of Body - 3 points                                      Undercolor - 3 points Depth of Abdomen - 3 points                                      Breast - 3 points Pubic Bones - 3 points	30	
SECTION 4: KNOWLEDGE OF POULTRY TERMS (1 point each correct answer) 1. Beak    11. Tail 2. Comb     12. Tail Feathers 3. Wattles    13. Wing 4. Eyes    14. Flight Feathers 5. Earlobe     15. Covert Feathers 6. Ear     16. Thigh 7. Hackle Feathers (male)    17. Leg Neck Feathers (female)    18. Hock Joint 8. Breast     19. Shank on male, note spur 9. Keel Bone     20. Toes 10. Back - saddle (male)    (Chart can be found in Level 1 of 4-H Poultry Cushion (female)    Leader Guide)	20	
SECTION 5: PLACING BIRD IN CAGE 1. Hold bird in basic hand position - 4 points 2. Open the cage door, turn the bird, put into cage head first - 3 points 3. Place it gently on the cage floor, and close the cage door - 3 points	10	
SECTION 6: SHOWING BIRD IN CAGE Have a judging stick - 3 points Stand at a relaxed attention facing the judge - 2 points Allow the judge to have full view of bird at all times - 3 points Listen and follow the judge's directions carefully - 2 points The object of this section is to get your bird to "show" or stand alertly and in proper station for its breed.	10	
SECTION 7: REMOVAL OF BIRD FROM CAGE 1. Open the cage door. Reach across the bird's back, grasp the far wing, turn the bird so it faces the cage door. 2. Slide second hand beneath bird's body, placing one or more fingers between bird's legs and grasping them so that the bird, when lifted, can be balanced on the palm of that hand. 3. Place first hand on bird's back and remove bird from cage, head first. 4. Come to attention and watch judge for further direction	10	
<b>TOTAL SCORE</b>	100	