

Pocket Pets / Companion Animals

Age Groups:

Beginner: Ages 7-11

Junior: Ages 12-15

Senior: 16-19

Rules:

- Pocket Pets/Companion Animals are to be judged the Saturday immediately prior to the Cass County Fair with Still Exhibit judging.
 - The animal is to be taken home immediately after judging.
- Judging will be a face-to-face interview with the judge.
- An educational poster, notebook, or 3D exhibit **must** be included with the exhibit and is to be left with the judging station to be on exhibit during fair week.
- Each exhibitor is allowed a maximum of 2 entries in this section.
- Pocket Pets / Companion Animals **must** be brought to the show in a secure carrier, which is the habitat or cage in which they live. If the habitat is too large, a small carrier may be used, but the animal must remain secure the entire time.
- Exhibitor should be present during judging.
- All Pocket Pets / Companion Animals must be non-venomous.
- All Pocket Pets / Companion Animals must abide by proper vaccinations, MDARD rules, regulations, licensing or permits for ownership to be allowed at the Cass County Fair.
- Possession date for Pocket Pets / Companion Animals is June 15th of the current year.

Cloverbud / Pee Wee Pocket Pet Rules

- Age requirements are 5-7 years old.
- Pocket Pets are considered "Livestock" for Cloverbud / Pee Wee exhibitors.
 - Cloverbud exhibitors are allowed 2 livestock classes and 2 still exhibit classes.
- All other above rules apply to Cloverbud / Pee Wee exhibitors.

Classes:

- Rats or mice, pen of 1 or 2
- Gerbils, pen of 1 or 2
- Chinchillas, pen of 1 or 2
- Hamsters, pen of 1 or 2
- Cavies, pen of 1 or 2
- Any other pocket pet – mammal (example: hedgehog, prairie dog, sugar glider, etc.)
- Any other pocket pet – non-mammal (example: reptile, amphibian, arachnid, etc.)