**Lamar FFA Rabbit Project Rules**

* The 2 rabbit breeds that can be shown are Californian and New Zealand.

**Rabbit meat pen project** is when the exhibitor purchases the meat pen bunnies from a rabbit breeder that has raised them up to 4 to 5 weeks old and approximately 2 pounds in weight. Meat pen rabbits must be from pedigreed stock of the same breed. Exhibitors normally purchase 4 bunnies for a meat pen but will only show 3.

* Meat Pen Sift: Place the three rabbits you have selected for your meat pen on the table. The rabbits will be weighed on a digital scale, the advisor will check the rabbits for disqualifications. If the advisor finds a problem the advisor will explain and show you. At this time you will be able to use an alternate rabbit. If the alternate rabbits are also disqualified or you do not have alternate rabbits the exhibitor will not be able to show as a meat pen.
* Meat Pen Show
	+ You will bring your 3 meat pen rabbits to the judging tables and place them in one compartment. Each member will place their initials and the number of that rabbit in the rabbit’s left ear. You can do this by using a sharpie marker. You will then walk out and place your rabbits in their show pen. You will stand behind your rabbits and wait for the judge to come to your pen. All pens in this division will be judged and placed at this time.
	+ When your pen number is called you will go before the judge and listen to comments about your pen. You will bring your 3 rabbits back to their pen.

**Disqualifications**

* Over/ under weight
* Teeth overbite
* Missing nails
* Ear mites
* Crooked tails
* Nose sniffles/ cold