

## Rabbit Sample Questions from “Animals In Pursuit”

- Q. About what age do rabbits mature and become sexually active?  
A. Around 6 months
- Q. By what name is a rabbit pen usually called?  
A. A hutch
- Q. What feed is generally considered the best and most practical for rabbits?  
A. Pelleted, commercial feed, supplemented by limited fresh feed when possible
- Q. What is the age a rabbit must be to show in the intermediate class?  
A. 6-8 months
- Q. What is the length of the gestation period for rabbits?  
A. 20-35 days (averaging 31 days)
- Q. What 4-H project animal is a lagomorphy?  
A. Rabbit
- Q. What will a rabbits pedigree show?  
A. Date of birth and three generations of ancestors
- Q. Modern rabbit hatch construction uses what material?  
A. Welded wire fabric
- Q. What time of the day do rabbits usually eat?  
A. At night
- Q. How soon before the show should a person begin working with the rabbit?  
A. At least 6 weeks
- Q. What is the youngest a small breed rabbit may be mated?  
A. 5-6 months
- Q. To carry what kind of foot is thought to bring good luck?  
A. Rabbits foot
- Q. What will a rabbits registration paper indicate?  
A. That the rabbit is free from major disqualifications and faults and that it is a good type animal of its particular breed
- Q. Why are all wire hutches recommended over wood and wire?  
A. More sanitary, durable and easier to hang
- Q. How many pounds of rabbit pellets will a rabbit eat to produce about 1 pound of meat?  
A. 4
- Q. Why are rabbits shown on tables covered with burlap or carpeting?  
A. So the rabbits will feel secure, be calm and more comfortable
- Q. What is the youngest a giant breed rabbit such as Flemish Giants may be mated?  
A. 8-9 months old
- Q. What two states are the leading producers of rabbits?  
A. Arkansas and California

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Q. What are two breeds of rabbits considered best suited in size and conformation to produce meat and fur?

A. New Zealand, California, Palomino, Champagne d'Argent and Chinchilla

Q. Name a type of rabbit feeder.

A. Feed crock, trough or hopper

Q. How many ounces of feed should a mature medium breed buck receive a day?

A. 4-6 ounces

Q. What are three disqualifications for a rabbit in a show?

A. Buck or wolf teeth, crooked front legs, cow hocked hind legs, ear mites, side carried or crooked tail, white toenails on colored rabbits, missing toenails, underweight or overweight for breed

Q. What are two signs which indicate a doe is ready to breed?

A. Restlessness, rubbing the crocks with her chin, swelling and reddish appearance of sex organs

Q. What country has the largest per capita consumption of rabbits?

A. France – 13.2 pounds/person

Q. Name two small breeds of rabbits which make good pets of “fancy” rabbits.

A. Dutch, Polish, Netherland, Dwarf, Havanna

Q. What is the box called in which a doe gives birth to a herd of babies?

A. Nest box

Q. How much feed should does' with litters receive?

A. All they can eat

Q. What is a standard pose for a New Zealand Rabbit?

A. Front feet under the shoulders, hind feet about even with the hips, ears upright

Q. How often should bucks be allowed to mate with does?

A. Not more than once every 3 days

Q. Where were rabbits believed to have originated?

A. Parts of Europe and Africa around the western half of the Mediterranean

Q. What breed of rabbit has long white or colored silky fur?

A. Angora Rabbit

Q. On extremely hot days how can the rabbits be kept cool?

A. Sprinkle water on the roof of the hutch and on the ground around the hutch

Q. What mineral should always be available to rabbits?

A. Salt

Q. What is an unaltered male rabbit called?

A. Buck

Q. After the litter of rabbits is weaned when should the doe be rebred?

A. Immediately

Q. What uses are made of rabbits?

A. Pets, meat, fu, wool, laboratory animals or showing fancy stock

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Q. Where is the dewlap of a rabbit?

A. Just above the chest and below the chin of does

Q. At what age should fryers (young rabbits) be weaned?

A. 8 weeks old

Q. How much water will a 10-12 pound doe and her 8 week old litter of seven rabbits drink in 24 hours?

A. 1 gallon

Q. What would a rabbit look like described as “cobby”?

A. Stout and stocky; short legged and short coupled

Q. How often do mature domestic rabbits come into heat?

A. Every 3 weeks

Q. The Angora breed of rabbit originated in what continent?

A. Asia

Q. What three colors of New Zealand rabbits are raised?

A. Red, white, black

Q. What is the birth of rabbits called?

A. Kindling

Q. Overfeeding a green and contaminated feed may cause what condition?

A. Diarrhea and stomach illness

Q. What is an unsprayed female rabbit called?

A. Doe

Q. How can you tell if a doe is pregnant?

A. Palpate the doe 12-14 days after mating

Q. What use is made of the Angora rabbits fur?

A. Clipped and woven into cloth

Q. What is the adult weight for a New Zealand doe rabbit?

A. 10-12 pounds

Q. When should a nest box be placed into a rabbits hutch?

A. About 25 days after the doe is mated

Q. How much feed will a young rabbit consume from birth to market?

A. Approximately 6 pounds

Q. What is an “elimination” in a rabbit show?

A. A defect which is temporary or curable such as over or under weight

Q. What are the characteristics of a doe with pneumonia?

A. Doe’s head is held high and tilted backwards; breathing is difficult

Q. Which country created and perfected the New Zealand breed?

A. United States

Q. What breed of rabbit is also known as French Silvers?

A. Champagne D’Argent

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Q. When a rabbit is weaned at 8 weeks what is its approximate weight?

A. 4 pounds

Q. What ingredients do rabbit pellets contain?

A. Alfalfa hay, source of protein, phosphorous, calcium, essential trace minerals and sources of vitamins

Q. In rabbits, what is the difference between a disqualification and an elimination?

A. A disqualification is a permanent defect, deformity, or blemish which excludes the animal from the show or from being registered. An elimination is a defect which is presumed to be temporary or curable.

Q. What is a kindling time complication involving the udders or breast of rabbits?

A. Caked breasts (edemia) and mastitis

Q. What breed of rabbit is born black and gradually turns silver as they mature?

A. Champagne D'Argent

Q. What is the largest breed of rabbit popular in the United States?

A. Flemish Giant

Q. How much manure will one working doe generate in a year (doe and offspring)?

A. 1 ton

Q. What is the protein level of most rabbit pellets?

A. 16-18%

Q. What is the term used to describe fur properties which cause the fur to return quickly to its normal position when stroked toward the head?

A. Fly Back

Q. How early can the sex of baby rabbits be determined?

A. Less than one week

Q. What breed of rabbit is popular as a house pet?

A. Miniature French Lop

Q. What are the two species of lop eared rabbits?

A. English and French

Q. What is the recommended way to identify rabbits?

A. Tattooing

Q. How much feed (rabbit pellets) should be fed to young growing rabbits?

A. All they will eat in a day

Q. A rabbit under six months of age is referred to as what?

A. A junior

Q. What disease is thought to cause the greatest loss of rabbits?

A. Coccidiosis

Q. Which breed of rabbit originated in Flanders?

A. Belgian Hare