

# First Step: LEARN YOUR BREED CLASS

## BANTAM CLASS AND BREEDS (61)

<u>GAME BANTAM:</u>	<u>SCCL (Single Comb Clean Legged):</u>	<u>RCCL (Rose Comb Clean Legged):</u>	<u>AOCCL (All Other Comb Clean Legged):</u>	<u>FEATHERLEGS:</u>
Modern, Old English	Anconas, Andalusians, Australorps, Catalanas, Campines, Delawares, Dorkings, Dutch, Frizzles, Hollands, Japanese, Javas, Jersey Giants, Lakenvelders, Lamonas, Leghorns, Minorcas, Naked Neck, New Hampshire, Orpington, Phoenix, Plymouth Rock, Rhode Island, Spanish, Sussex	Anconas, Antwerp Belgians, Dorkings, Dominiques, Hamburgs, Leghorns, Minorcas, Red Caps, Rhode Island, Rosecombs, Sebrights, Wyandottes	Ameraucanas, Araucanas, Buckeyes, Chanteclers, Cornish, Crevecoeurs, Cubalayas, Houdans, LeFleche, Malays, Polish, Shamos, Sicilian Buttercups, Sumatras, Yokohamas	Cochins, Frizzles, Brahmas, Faveroles, Langshans, Sillkies, Sultans, Booted Bantams (when bearded called D'Uccle)

## STANDARD CLASS AND BREEDS (53)

<u>AMERICAN:</u>	<u>ASIATIC:</u>	<u>ENGLISH:</u>	<u>MEDITERRANEAN:</u>	<u>CONTINENTAL:</u>	<u>AOSB (All Other Standard Breeds):</u>
Plymouth Rock, Dominiques, Wyandottes, Javas, Rhode Islands, Buckeyes, Chanteclers, Jersey Giant, Lamonas, New Hampshires, Hollands, Delawares	Brahma, Cochin, Langshan	Dorking, RedCaps, Cornish, Orpingtons, Sussex, Australorps	Leghorns, Minorcas, Spanish, Andalusians, Anconas, Sicilian Buttercups, Catalanas	Hamburgs, Campines, Lakenvelders, Barnvelders, Welsummers, Polish (Bearded & Non-Bearded), Houdans, Faverolles, Crevecoeurs, LaFleche	Modern, Old English, Malay, Sumatras, Aseels, Shamos, Yokohamas, Phoenix, Cubalayas, Sultans, Frizzles, Naked Neck, Araucanas, Ameraucanas

### **DUCKS CLASS AND BREEDS (14)**

<b><u>BANTAM:</u></b>	<b><u>LIGHT:</u></b>	<b><u>MEDIUM:</u></b>	<b><u>HEAVY:</u></b>
Call, East Indie, Mallard	Runner, Campbell, Magpie	Cayuga, Crested, Swedish, Buff	Pekin, Aylesbury, Rouen, Muscovy

### **GEESE CLASS AND BREEDS (12)**

<b><u>LIGHT:</u></b>	<b><u>MEDIUM:</u></b>	<b><u>HEAVY:</u></b>
Chinese, Tufted Roman, Canadian, Egyptian	Sebastopol, Pilgrim, American Buff, Saddleback Pomeranian	Toulouse, Emden, African

### **TURKEYS BREEDS (8)**

Royal Palm,  
Bronze,  
Narragansett,  
White Holland,  
Black (Spanish Black),  
Slate,  
Bourbon Red,  
Beltsville Small White

## **Second Step: KNOW YOUR VARIETY**

### **Variety:**

- Color or pattern - For example, both large and bantam Plymouth Rocks are recognized in each Standard in Barred, White, Buff, Silver Penciled, Partridge, Columbian, and Blue varieties. The black variety was recently admitted, but for Plymouth Rock bantams only.
- Distinctive traits - The Standard of Perfection will list the characteristics of each variety

## **Third Step: KNOW YOUR GENDER AND AGE**

### **Gender & Age:**

- Cock (C) is a male bird over one year old
- Cockerel (K) is a male bird under one year old
- Hen (H) is a female over one year old
- Pullet (P) is a female under one year old.
- Birds might also be placed in a trio, which will be either an old trio (2 hens and a cock) or a young trio (2 pullets and a cockerel).
- Look at feathers, combs, voice, knobs

## **Forth Step: KNOW WHY YOU ARE RAISING YOUR FLOCK**

- Meat
- Eggs
- Dual purpose
- Ornamental

## **Fifth Step: KNOW THE AMOUNT AND TYPE OF SPACE YOU WILL NEED**

Each animal is different so you need to do your research!

- Standard needs 3 square feet
- Duck needs 4 square feet
- Goose needs 6 square feet
- Turkey needs 8 square feet

## **6th Step: DECIDE AND PREPARE**

- Do as much research as possible. This will save you time to enjoy your project.
- Know your disqualifications before buying stock.
- Gather or purchase equipment and supplies

## **7th Step: START YOUR FLOCK**

You have three choices:

- Purchase from Hatchery either chicks or fertilized eggs
- Purchase from breeder either adult stock, chicks or fertilized eggs
- Purchase, trade, or share adult stock and breed your own.

If you are buying chicks or eggs know what size they will be by the time fair rolls around.

## EDUCATIONAL SITES:

<http://www.apa-abayouthprograms.org/>

The name of the APA-ABA Youth Program is derived from the willingness of the American Poultry Association and the American Bantam Association to sponsor this program to further the education of youth in poultry. The primary objective of our program is to encourage and help our young members to acquire the knowledge, skills and experience to participate fully and effectively in the poultry fancy as an adult.

The University of WI Animal Science <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/animalscience/poultry/>

Atlas of Pathology with images <http://www.poultrymed.com/>

University of Minnesota Poultry Department: <http://www.ansci.umn.edu/poultry/index.html>

Oklahoma State: <http://www.ansi.okstate.edu/exten/poultry>

University of Florida: <http://www.animal.ufl.edu> in search type in word "poultry"

University of Illinois: History of Chicken Breeds: <http://www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/eggs>

Calculating Protein Levels <http://www.lionsgrip.com/protein.html>

Poultry Meds <http://www.poultrymed.com/files/PatAllas.html>

Rare Breeds <http://www.kippengrabbelton.be/engels/index.htm>

National 4-H Poultry & Egg Conference <http://ulisse.cas.psu.edu/nat4hpoultry/>

4-H Embryology <http://ulisse.cas.psu.edu/4hembryo/>