

Dictionary

This is just a general dictionary for those beginning in rabbits. There are not specifics here about what a judge means when using certain terms. Instead, these are terms that one will probably hear/read on a day to day basis. Rabbit people are lazy, we use a lot of shorthand. Hopefully this will help explain what we mean with different acronyms and phrases.

<u>Word</u>	<u>Definition</u>
4-Class	Rabbits shown as juniors or seniors in their color group, usually the smaller "fancy" breeds
6-Class	Rabbits shown as juniors, 6-8 class, and seniors in their color group, usually the larger breeds
6-8	A class for rabbits between 6 and 8 months old, only 6 class breeds have this age group
ARBA	American Rabbit Breeders Association
Buck	A male rabbit
BIS	Best in Show
BOB	Best of Breed
BOV	Best of Variety
BOG	Best of Group
BOSB	Best Opposite Sex of Breed
BOSV	Best Opposite Sex of Variety
BOSG	Best Opposite Sex of Group
BOS	Best Opposite Sex
BJB	Broken Junior Buck
BJD	Broken Junior Doe
BSB	Broken Senior Buck
BSD	Broken Senior Doe
Broken (Bkn)	A color pattern where there is white and another color
Doe	A female rabbit
DQ'd	Disqualified from the show
Grand Champion	A rabbit that has earned at least three legs and is registered by the ARBA is eligible for a grand champion number
Japanese	A color type of Harlequin where there is orange and either blue, black, chocolate, or lilac
Junior	A rabbit under 6 months of age
Kindle	The process of a rabbit giving birth
Kit	A baby rabbit

Leg	Earned for a win of a class with at least 5 rabbits shown by at least 3 exhibitors, can also be earned for BOB, BOG, etc etc
Nestbox	A box that is given to a doe expecting a litter so she can kindle in it
Magpie	A color type of Harlequin where there is white and either blue, black, chocolate, or lilac
Palpate	Feeling for babies in pregnant does, can be done around 10-14 days after breeding.
Pedigree	A document that shows the lineage, at least three generations, of a particular rabbit.
Pointed	A color group where there is color on the "points": ears, nose, feet, tail
Registered	A rabbit who is registered was looked at by a licensed registrar who checked the rabbit to make sure it has no disqualifications according to the Standard of Perfection published by the ARBA.
Senior	A rabbit over 6 months of age (4 class) and over 8 months of age (6-class)
Shaded	The color group where the color gets darker as it wraps around towards the rabbit's underside (example: tort)
SOP	Standard of Perfection, it describes what each breed is to look like and what to judge the rabbit by. It also explains how to work on developing new breeds and varieties for acceptance into the ARBA
SJB	Solid Junior Buck
SJD	Solid Junior Doe
SSB	Solid Senior Buck
SSD	Solid Senior Doe
Solid	Any color that is not a broken (ex: black, pointed white, or tort)
"take" or "took"	When a breeder uses these terms, they are referring to whether or not their doe that they bred is pregnant. If she "took" then she is pregnant, if she didn't "take" then she's not pregnant.