



United States Department of Agriculture
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Cutest Bird Photo Contest

A PHOTO CONTEST FOR POULTRY ENTHUSIASTS AND BIRD LOVERS

CONTEST RULES

We'd like to see and share photos of your cutest chickens or birds.

USDA/APHIS' Biosecurity For Birds campaign invites you to enter the 2013 Cutest Bird Photo Contest.

You can compete in two categories:

1. **Cutest chicken or bird**
2. **Cutest couple or bird family**

Several winners will be chosen in each category for each month over a four month period beginning in March 2013. The winning images will be posted on the *Biosecurity For Birds* Website and will be considered for the 2014 *Biosecurity For Birds* Calendar.

Your color photos should accurately reflect the subject matter, and the main image should not be digitally altered beyond removing dust, cropping, cleaning up the background and making reasonable adjustments to exposure, color and contrast.

All photos will be credited with the person's name and state. Please submit appropriate images only. Inappropriate entries will not be considered.

How to Enter

You may enter a maximum of two photos per person each month on the *Biosecurity For Birds* website, <http://healthybirds.aphis.usda.gov>. You will need to fill out the online form to submit the photos.



Submission Guidelines

1. Submitted images must be in color and each should be no larger than a two MB file in jpeg format.
2. Participants may submit a maximum of two photos per month.
3. Photos must be the work of the person submitting (unless a parent or other responsible adult is submitting for a minor), and the photographer must own all rights to the works submitted. The photographer retains ownership of all submitted images. By submitting your photos you are granting USDA/APHIS the right to reproduce, display and publish your images without compensation, and you are indicating that individuals in your photos have agreed to allow the USDA to reproduce, display or publish the photos that contain their likeness in any manner and without compensation.

Deadlines

The deadline for submitting entries for each of the four months is March 31, April 30, May 31 and June 30, 2013. Entries submitted for a particular month will be considered for that month only, unless they are resubmitted.

Judging

Judging will be done by members of the USDA/APHIS public affairs staff, and Diversity Marketing and Communications. Images will be judged on overall impact, composition, technical quality and artistic merit. Decisions will be made by the first week of April, May, June and July. One winner per category per month will be selected. Winner(s) will be notified by e-mail.

USDA/APHIS reserves the right to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the photo competition.

To Get Submission form, click on category:

1. [Cutest chicken or bird](#)
2. [Cutest couple or bird family](#)