



# READING YOUR COOP TAG

## ***“FOLLOWING JUDGING”***

Taking into consideration the number of birds being shown in the class you are exhibiting in or the type of show you are attending—the placing by licensed poultry judges are listed below. The birds are placed by examining their individual qualities. A licensed judge *might* place a class, *even if the birds shown in that class are not the best indication of meeting the “standard”* for that breed at this particular show.

Example: If the bird being shown is a hatchery type of bird, purebred but not “exhibition quality” purebred—the bird still might be placed with the judge trying to choose one that is a little closer to the “standard” of exhibition poultry than others in the class.

**First Step: the birds in the “class” are judged for these placements:**

BV—Best of Variety  
RV—Reserve of Variety  
BB—Best of Breed  
RB—Reserve of Breed

**Second Step: the birds are judged for:**

***Class Champion*** (the best bird that is closest to the “standards” set forth by the APA or the ABA).

***Reserve Class Champion*** (the second best bird that is closest to the “standards set forth by the APA or the ABA).

***All Class Champions & Reserve Class Champions are moved to Champion Row where the judges pick the *Show Champion* and *Reserve Show Champion* from the birds displayed.***