



## New York FFA Association Aquaculture

Teams: Will consist of 3 members (a 4<sup>th</sup> alternate may be used, with the top 3 scores being counted as the team score.)

First, a general knowledge test of 50 questions in any of the following formats will be given:

Multiple Choice      True/False      Matching      Fill in the Blanks

Second, a three (3) part practical position will be present. This could include team problem solving as well as performances of specific tasks.

General knowledge topics covered may include:

- Water quality (Ex: pH, NH<sub>3</sub>, DO, NO<sub>2</sub>)
- Fish diseases (Ex: causes, symptoms, treatments)
- Fish anatomy & physiology – body organs, systems, & functions
- Life cycles of aquatic organisms
- Aquaculture systems – types & designs
- Nutrition (ex. Feeds, feeding, nutrients)

Practical topics may include:

- Fish identification
- Fish anatomy
- Species selection
- System design
- Disease identification/treatment
- Water quality testing
- Nutrition/disease treatment calculations

Recommended resources

- Aquacultural Science by Delmar Publications
- Fish Hatchery Management by US Fish & Wildlife Service