

# Dept. 5 Goats

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## Rules Governing Exhibits

4-H members must be enrolled in the Dairy Goat, Meat Goat, Pygmy Goat project, unless otherwise stated.

Goats will be unloaded from 6 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Wednesday, following instructions distributed to exhibitors prior to the fair. All health papers must be presented to appropriate authorities prior to unloading of animals. The person bringing the animals into the fairgrounds should have all pertinent health papers with him/her.

Judging: Saturday, 9 a.m. beginning with Showmanship  
• Herdsmanship meeting: Wednesday at 3:30pm  
• Showmanship Practice Clinic: Friday at 6p.m. in the Judging Pavilion

General Regulations:

- Exhibitors are responsible to be familiar with State and County Fair regulations
- Goats exhibited must be owned by the exhibitor prior to May 1. Each exhibitor shall feed, care for, and show his/her own animal unless written permission is granted by the Jr. Fair Superintendent. Irregularities may disqualify and exhibit and/or delay premiums until clarified.
- ADGA registration papers will be checked by the Superintendent on all purebred American breeding stock over one year of age; proof of registry eligibility will be required for younger purebreds, entered in Division A or American Stock.
- Exhibitors are limited to one entry per Class
- Dairy goats with horns cannot be exhibited. Non-dairy goats may have horns if it is appropriate for the breed. Horns should be capped. Goats must be controllable. Uncontrollable goats may be disqualified and removed from the Fair.
- No uncastrated males may be brought to the Fair
- Exhibitors must be able to control their animals in the pens provided, or modify them at their own expense

## Goat Showmanship

- Goat showmanship judged on the same criteria as dairy showmanship
- Exhibitor must show his/her own animal. Enter showman- ship on Fair Entry Form.

## Goat Showmanship for Non-goat Exhibitors

This Division is designed for youth who are learning about the goat project, but do not own goat and are not showing project animals at the Fair. They have entered into a contract with another exhibitor to learn about the project throughout the year. A copy of the contract must be given to the superin- tendent prior to the show.

These exhibitors will participate in showmanship, using an animal that is already being shown by another exhibitor.

## Age Classification

- Junior doe kid; born after March 31 of current fair year
- Senior doe kid; born between January 1 and March 31 of current year
- Junior yearling doe; born between August 1 and December 31 of previous year
- Senior yearling doe; at least 12 months but under 24 months of age and the doe is not in milk
- Yearling milkers; under 2 years of age and in milk.
- Junior milkers; at least 2 years but under 3 years of age
- Mature milkers; at least 3 years of age but under 5 years of age
- Aged milkers; 5 years of age and older

## Meat Goat Guidelines

### Birthdates:

- Market Goat (wether, doe, dairy/meat goat cross wether) November 1, 2018-March 31, 2019
- Meat goats breeding Does
  - Senior Yearling breeding doe, registered or grade (never kidded) November 1, 2017-January 30, 2018
  - Junior yearling breeding doe, registered or grade (never kidded) February 1, 2018-April 30, 2018
  - Fall yearling breeding doe, registered or grade (never kidded) May 1, 2018—November 30, 2018
  - Senior breeding doe kid, December 1, 2018-February 28, 2019
  - Junior breeding doe kid, March 1, 2019-May 31, 2019

### Weight Guidelines

Market animals must be a minimum of 40 pounds, but not to exceed a maximum of 110 pounds by fair weigh-in. Based on the number of entries, classes will be divided at the discretion of the superintendent.

### Mouthing of Meat Goats

Goats may have lost one or more milk teeth but there may be no evidence of breaking of skin r eruption of two permanent front teeth. Goats may be mouthed at the superintendent's discretion.

### Breeds

Meat breeds include Boer, Spanish, Brush, Myotonic, Kiko, Nubian and Pygmy.

### Division A - I Premiums

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Divisions A-I</b>	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00	\$2.00
<b>Divisions J-K</b>	\$3.50	\$3.00	\$2.50	\$2.00

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<b>Division A - Recorded ADGA Registered Goats</b>	<b>Class Number</b>		<b>Class Number</b>
Junior Kid	1	Milking Yearling	5
Senior Kid	2	2-3 Year Old	6
Junior Yearling	3	3-5 Year Old	7
Senior Yearling	4	5 Years and Older	8

## **Division B - All Other Dairy Goats Dairy Grades- Same Classification as Division A**

**Division C - Dry Dairy Does - Any age;** **Class Number**  
must have freshened at least once 1

**Division D - Non-dairy Does - Same classification as Division A**  
(pygmy, angora, fainting, etc.)

<b>Division E - Non-Dairy Wethers</b>	<b>Class Number</b>	<b>Division F - Dairy Wethers</b>	<b>Class Number</b>
Under 1 year of age	1	Under 1 year of age	1
Over 1 year of age	2	Over 1 year of age	2

## **Division G - Boer/Boer Crosses**

**All Boer/Boer Crosses - Same Classification as Division A**

**Division H - All Meat Goats** **Class Number**  
(born after Jan 1 of the current fair year) 1

**Division I - Pet Goat All Ages - For exhibitors showing one goat only** **Class Number**  
Pet Goat, All Ages 1

<b>Division J - Non-Meat Goat</b>		<b>Class Number</b>
Explorers, Grades 3 and 4 enrolled in Exploring project	1	Grades 6, 7 and 8 Grades 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13
Grades 3, 4 and 5, other than Explorers	2	3 4

## **Division K - Goat Showmanship for Non-goat Exhibitors**

	<b>Class Number</b>	<b>Class Number</b>
Grades 3-6	1	Grades 10-13
Grades 7-9	2	3

<b>Division L Meat Goat Breeding Does</b>	<b>Class Number</b>	<b>Class Description</b>	<b>Class Number</b>
Senior Yearling Breeding Doe, registered or grade (never kidded)	1	Senior breeding doe Kid	4
Junior yearling breeding doe, registered or grade (never kidded)	2	Junior breeding doe Kid	5
Fall yearling breeding doe, registered or grade (never kidded)	3		

<b>Division M Market Goats</b>	<b>Class Number</b>	<b>Class Description</b>	<b>Class Number</b>
Meat Market Goat - Wether	1	Meat Goat/Dairy Goat Gross - Wether	3
Meat Market Goat - Doe	2		

<b>Division N Market Showmanship</b>	<b>Class Number</b>	<b>Class Description</b>	<b>Class Number</b>
Exploring Grades 3-4	1	Grades 7-8	4
Grades 3-4	2	Grades 9-10	5
Grades 5-6	3	Grades 11-13	6
Meat Market Goat - Doe	2		