



May 25, 2023

Dear 4-H and FFA Sheep and Meat Goat Exhibitors,

We are excited you plan to participate in the 2023 Boone County Fair as a sheep and/or meat goat exhibitor!

Schedule

- **Set-Up**– You may bring your equipment to set up any time after July 16th, or you can set up upon your arrival with the animals.

★ **Arrival**– Sheep and meat goats must arrive to the fairgrounds on **Wednesday, July 19th between 6:00 and 11:00 am**. Please note that all sexually intact sheep and meat goats must have a scrapie tag when they arrive on the grounds.

- When arriving to the fairgrounds to unload animals, please follow the set of instructions that apply to you:
 - *Exhibitors with sheep and goats on the trailer/truck:* Enter through the main gate on the south side of the fairgrounds and proceed toward the sheep barn.
- Upon your arrival to the fairgrounds, a veterinarian will inspect your animal(s) **BEFORE** they are unloaded. Please review the health regulations on *page 9* of the Boone County Fair Book. If you have concerns, please contact the Extension Office prior to arriving to the fairgrounds.
- **Check-In and Weigh-In**– Sheep and meat goats must be checked in on **Wednesday, July 19th between 10:00 am and 12:30 pm in the Show Arena**.
 - Be sure to complete the **Check-In Form** (found at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/fairinfo>) prior to arriving for check-in. This form should be turned into the check-in crew.
 - ***For Exhibitors with Market Sheep and Market Meat Goats:*** Be sure to turn in the “Animal Care and Management Disclosure Statement” (found at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/fairinfo>) during check-in.
- **Ultra-Sounding**– Cancelled for 2023. We will return with ultra sounding in 2024!
- **Sheep and Meat Goat Show**– Boone County Fair Sheep and Meat Goat Show will begin at **8:00 am** on **Thursday, July 20th**.
- **Release**– Sheep and Meat Goats are released Sunday, July 23rd at 4:00 pm. Exhibitors are expected to clean out their pens before they leave the fairgrounds. *Exhibitors who do not clean up their pens and help take down pens after Sunday release will lose their premium money, their auction bonus and will not be allowed to show at the Boone County Fair next year.*

Animal Care and Management

- The Boone County Fair veterinarian must be made aware of all previously prescribed medications that are to be administered during the fair. This notification should be made during check-in.
 - All disclosed medication will be administered according to the prescription either by the veterinarian, by the exhibitor, or by an exhibitor's family member.
 - Any exhibitor not revealing previously prescribed medication/s and using such medications without permission will be disqualified and forfeit premiums.
- All medications given to sick or injured animals while at the fair must be approved and administered by the fair veterinarian.
- If any animal requires medical treatment while at the Boone County Fair, the fair veterinarian will be contacted.
- Families will be responsible for the cost of medications given while at the fair, and for any costs with extensive surgical repair of wounds, or fees accrued for referral of animals to specialty hospitals.



The ***Animal Care and Management Disclosure*** form (found at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/boone/fairinfo>) must include any and all medications that have been given to your animal over the course of your ownership. ***Please turn in this form during the check-in process.***

Please let me, or Barb Clawson - *Sheep Superintendent*, know if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached by calling 515.432.3882 or by emailing jlsoder@iastate.edu. We look forward to seeing you at the Boone County Fair!

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