GOAT DEPARTMENT

Meat Goat

Health and Identification Requirements
1. All goats must be identified with an individual Scrapie flock or Origin identification tag or by an official registered, readable tattoo. If identified with a tattoo the tattoo number must be listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. The Certificate of Veterinary Inspection must also include a statement certifying the herd’s participation in the Scrapie Program and include premise number.
2. All market goats (wether and does) must be tagged or ID’d at an official verification site prior to May 15, as well as have retinal images collected from the nominated animals if they are going to state fair. Breeding does must have tag/tattoo number and birth date identified in 4-H online by May 15 of current 4-H year.
3. All animals must be entered on Fair Entry for classes by July 1 up to the limit. If an animal entered dies, another animal of the same species can be substituted for the same classes as long as that animal has been properly identified on 4-H online by May 15.
4. Removal of the bracing rule: All goats must have four feet on the floor in the show ring at all times. Lifting feet off the ground or placing on any support or altered ring surface is not acceptable. Exhibitors will receive one warning if they are found lifting or slapping goats. Second offenses will result in automatic exhibitor disqualification from the 4-H Meat Goat Show.
5. All meat goat wethers MUST have a 4-H tag in place and retinal images; breeding does must have either a 4-H tag OR permanent tattoo, no retinal images are needed for breeding does. Retinal Image required for State Fair only.
6. If breeding meat goat does attend a weigh-in to get tagged, and are entered in 4hOnline by staff under the “weighed-in” category, they MUST have a birthdate; they do not need to be re-ID’ed under the “not weighed in” category
7. Each 4-H’er is allowed to bring a total of six meat goats (maximum four market)

70201 - Market Meat Goats Wethers (Shown by weight)
70202 - Market Goat Does (Shown by weight)

Dairy Type Market Goat
70205 – Market Wethers – Dairy Variety
Goat Class: Pen of 3  
70204 – Pen of 3 Wethers  
70203 – Pen of 3 Does  
Individual market goats may come from Pen of 3.


**Breeding Meat Goats**  
70301 - Does 0-3 months  
70302 - Does 3-6 months  
70303 - Does 6-9 months  
70304 - Does 9-12 months  

**Junior Division champion and reserve (if numbers permit, discretion of committee)**  
70305 - Does 12-16 months  
70306 - Does 16-20 months  
70307 - Does 20-24 months  

**Yearling Division Champion and Reserve (if numbers permit, discretion of committee)**  
70308 - Does 24-36 months  
70309 - Does 36 months and older  

**Senior Division Champion and Reserve (if numbers permit, discretion of committee)**  

**Grand & Reserve Breeding Does**  
The committee reserves the right to combine classes, depending on numbers.  
Market goats will sell at the livestock auction.

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**Bottle Goats**

Follow the Bottle Lamb Rules with the following exceptions: on Rule #4, no tail docking. Horns need to be disbudded or snubbed down as in the Market Goat requirements for Wethers & Market Does. Not the case for breeding does, as they must have full intact horns for “breed type”. Rule #9 – Goats do not need to be shorn. Rule#10 Goats will not be shown on halter. **Clover Kid bottle goats CANNOT be sold in the fair sale NOR can they be sold on the truck afterwards.**

*Bottle Goat Classes will be judged on the same criteria as bottle lambs.*

70101 - 3rd grade Clover Kids - (Clover kids will not be evaluated with ribbon placing )  
70102 - Juniors  
70103 - Intermediates and Seniors

**SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES**  
70501 — Junior  
70502 — Intermediate  
70503 — Senior  
70504 — Elite