

March 18, 2022

Dear 4-H Dairy Goat Exhibitor:

As you prepare your dairy goat project, please read over this letter carefully to ensure that you're meeting all the requirements for the project. Also, be sure to read the Livestock section of the handbook for all terms and conditions. As always, if you have any questions, call Dairy Goat superintendent, Linda Goebel, at 812-632-1076 or the Purdue Extension Office at (812) 867-4935.

Animal Identification:

Enclosed you will find the animal ID instructions to identify your animals in 4-H Online. You will also find a worksheet to help you as you enter your animals online. Ensure that your animals have met the animal ID requirements listed below.

Species	County Fair Requirements	State Fair Requirements	Deadline
Dairy Goats Females	Tattoo	Breed Registry Tattoo (Must be Registered at State Fair)	May 16
Wethers	5-digit County Tag or Tattoo	5-digit County Tag or Tattoo	

Animals not enrolled by May 16 cannot be exhibited at the county or state fair.

County tags:

It is a new requirement that dairy goat wethers that need tags must come to a Tagging Day. The Tagging Day will be held on **Saturday, April 30 from 9 – 11 am** at the 4-H Center Animal Barns. If you cannot attend the Tagging Day, please reach out to the superintendent to make other arrangements so that the tag is in the animal's ear by the deadline listed above. County tags cost \$1. Please bring payment to Tagging Day.

Lease Agreements:

If you are leasing your animal, 4-H members are required to submit a copy of their Animal Lease Agreement to the Purdue Extension Office by **May 16**. A sample lease agreement is available online <https://tinyurl.com/animalleaseagreement> OR at the Purdue Extension Office.

YQCA Training:

To exhibit beef cattle, meat goats, dairy cattle, dairy goats, poultry, pygmy goats, rabbits, sheep, and swine, 4-H members must be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals program by July 1, 2022. Trainings can either be completed online or at an in-person training. Instructions were mailed and emailed in early March with details on completing this training and dates for in-person trainings.

Premise ID Number:

All 4-H members exhibiting animals at the fair must have a premise ID number for the location where their animals are kept. Registering your premises may be done online, at no charge, and takes only about 5 minutes. If you need a premise ID, visit the Indiana State Board of Animal Health's (BOAH) website: www.in.gov/boah and click on "Premises Registration". You will need this number when entering your animals into 4HOnline

State Fair Information:

Information about State Fair entries and the electronic entry forms can be found online at <http://www.indianastatefair.com/state-fair/competitionscontests/4-h-competitions/>. Be sure to carefully read the State Fair requirements to ensure that your animal meets the requirements and you understand the fee schedules.

If you know of someone who is taking dairy goats for the first year, please let us know so we can send them this information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Megan Hoffherr".

Megan Hoffherr
4-H Youth Development Extension Educator

Enclosure: Animal ID Instruction Sheet, Dairy Goat worksheet
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