

GOATS

Manual Information

1. The Goat Manuals are divided into three levels according to the following breakdown:

Level 1	Grades 3, 4, & 5
Level 2	Grades 6, 7, & 8
Level 3	Grades 9 and Above
2. Members will use the same manual for more than one year.
3. Members are strongly encouraged to attend activities and participate in the learning experiences offered for their level each year.
4. Signed record sheets must be presented and verified at animal check-in.
5. Record sheets will then be placed in your green folder and turned in at the county fair. 4-H leaders may grade record sheets.

Exhibit Requirements: Do one or more of the following:

1. Exhibit your goat(s) at the fair.
2. Exhibit a Dairy or Meat Goat Educational Poster.
3. Do an Interactive Demonstration.

Goat Show Rules

1. 4-H members may enter only two animals per class, except in driving classes (one animal or team of animals per class).
2. Goats may be of grade or registered stock.
3. All goats must wear a collar or choker chain.
4. Members must enroll in the Goat project by regular 4-H deadline of March 1.
5. **No horns allowed** on exhibited animals, except for meat goats.
6. There will be no classes for bucks of any age.
7. 4-H Goats must be owned and under the care of the 4-H exhibitor, and exhibitor must complete the Indiana 4HOnline protocol. All goats enrolled for the purpose of showing as market goats shall be castrated males.
8. All wether goats must arrive slick sheared, unblanketed and ready for inspection.
9. All goats enrolled as meat type or market goats are required to have a 5 digit yellow ear tag and be retinal scanned at the predetermined i.d. day of the current year. In cases that retinal scanning technology fails, each market animal will be nose printed.
10. The exhibitor must show his own goat unless he has more than one goat in a class or it is impossible to be at the 4-H Fair. If this is the case, any 4-H member from Fountain County may show exhibitor's goat. Refer to "General Livestock Rules" for other exhibition rules.
11. It is suggested that exhibitors wear long dark slacks (no shorts) and a white shirt, or an all white outfit to exhibit goats. Ties may be worn.
12. All exhibitors must keep pens and walk-ways clean at all times.
13. In the event of conflict of general rules, the Grievance Committee will govern.
14. Fans and cords must be kept up out of the walkways.
15. All goat exhibitors are subject to all conditions described in the general livestock rules.

Health Requirements: It is recommended that animals have a "Certificate of Veterinary Inspection." Goats must be identified by tattoo.

Category Classifications

Junior Does

1. Any doe under 24 months of age that has never freshened shall compete in a junior doe show.
2. Junior Champions will be selected from the blue ribbon class winners in the junior division.
3. Reserve Junior Champions will be selected (after the Junior Champion is designated) from the animals remaining in the Junior Champion Class, plus the animal that stood second to the Junior Champion in their individual class.

Senior Does

1. Any doe that has ever freshened or produced offspring.

2. Any doe, 24 months of age or older, who has never freshened or produced live offspring will not be eligible to show.
3. Senior Champions will be selected from the blue ribbon class winners in the division.
4. Reserve Senior Champions will be selected (after the Senior Champion, is designated) from those remaining in the senior championship class, plus the animal that stood second to the Senior Champion in their individual class.

Wethers

1. All wethers must be shown with milk teeth in place.
2. **Wether** classes will be divided according to the weight of the animals.
3. The number of classes will depend on the number of wethers that arrive at the County Fair.
4. All breeds of goats are eligible.

Goat Classes

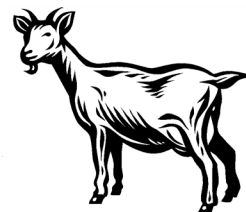
Pygmy Does

Juniors (Dry Does)

- P1 Junior Doe Kids (under 3 months)
- P2 Intermediate Doe Kids (3 months to under 6 months)
- P3 Senior Doe Kids (6 months to under 9 months)
- P4 Advanced Senior Doe Kids (9 months to under 12 months)
- P5 Junior Unfreshened Yearlings (12 months to under 18 months)
- P6 Senior Unfreshened Yearlings (18 months to under 24 months)

Seniors (Milkers)

- P7 Milking Doe (any age)
- P8 Junior Freshened Doe (12 months to under 18 months)
- P9 Senior Freshened Does (18 months to under 24 months)
- P10 Two Year Old Does
- P11 Three Year Old Does
- P12 Four Year Old Does
- P13 Does Five Years Old and Over
- P14 Mother and Daughter
- P15 Produce of Dam
- P16 Doe and Kids under 60 Days Old



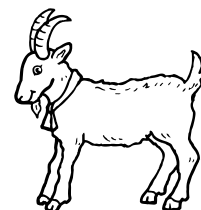
Boer-Type Does

Junior Boer-Type Does

- B1 Does - under 3 months-of-age
- B2 Does - 3 months-old to under 6 months-of-age
- B3 Does - 6 months-old to under 9 months-of-age
- B4 Does - 9 months-old to under 12 months-of-age
- B5 Does -12 months old to under 24 months of age that have never freshened

Senior Boer-Type Does

- B6 Does -12 months old to under 24 months of age, that have freshened
- B7 Does - 24 months-old to under 30 months-of-age
- B8 Does - 30 months-old to under 36 months-of-age
- B9 Does - 36 months-old and older



Dairy Goats

Juniors (Dry Does)

- D1 Junior Doe Kids - Born on or after April 1
- D2 Intermediate Doe Kids - Born March 1 to March 31
- D3 Senior Doe Kids - Born January 1 to February 29
- D4 Junior Yearlings (Never Freshened) - Born June 1 to Dec. 31
- D5 Senior Yearlings (Never Freshened) - Born on or before May 31

Seniors (Milkers)

- D6 Does one year and under 2 years (milking)
- D7 Does 2 Years and under 3 years (milking)

- D8 Does 3 Years and under 5 years (milking)
- D9 Does 5 Years and older (milking)
- D10 Mother and Daughter
- D11 Produce of Dam
- D12 Best 3 Females

Market Goats (includes Boer-type goats and all other breeds)

Goats intended for slaughter (wethers only). Depending on enrollment, animals will be divided into classes by weight. Further breakdown of classes below may be necessary (e.g. M1a, M1b, etc.) (02/14)

- M1 Lightweight Market Goats
- M2 Intermediate-weight Market Goats
- M3 Heavyweight Market Goats

Driving Goat Classes

A goat may only be entered in one of the following classes by a 4-H member, but the 4-H member may enroll up to 3 goats to participate once in each class. Goats may not be shared by family members to participate more than once with the same goat in one class.

It is suggested that 4-H members start with Class 1 with a particular goat the first year, take Class 2 with the goat the second year, and Class 3 with the goat the third and following years.

Class 1: Harness Kid

Kids must be halter broken and led with a lead strap. The animal should respond to voice commands of "stop," "go," "back," "left," and "right."

Class 2: Harness Yearling

Yearlings will be harnessed and pull an empty cart. The animal should respond to voice commands of "stop," "go," "back," "left," and "right."

Class 3: Senior Harness

Seniors will be harnessed and pull a child-driven cart. The animal must respond to commands of "stop," "go," "back," "left," and "right," while pulling the cart through an obstacle course.

Showmanship: Refer to Livestock Showmanship general rules.

Herdsmanship

General Rules For Interactive Demonstrations

1. Interactive demonstrations may be given on any topic related to goats and will be presented at an appointed time during the 4-H Fair.
2. Refer to "Verbal Communication Events and Activities" in this handbook for details.

Manuals:

Dairy Goat

- Level 1: *Getting Your Goat* BU-6162
- Level 2: *Stepping Out* BU-6163
- Level 3: *Showing The Way* BU-6164

Meat Goat

- Just Browsing* BU-7909
- Growing with Meat Goats* BU-7910
- Meating the Future* BU-7911

Record sheet: C4-H 625a

Indiana 4-H Goat Enrollment Form: 4-H 933

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