

*4-H GOATS

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

General Info

1. Please refer to the general rules and livestock rules for additional details.
2. **All** dairy and meat goat exhibitors must be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals program. See Livestock Terms and Conditions for more details.
3. Health papers are not required; but animals must be free of abscesses, open sores, Pink eye, respiratory diseases, foot rot, sore mouth, and external parasites. Animals will be inspected by an Advisory Committee Member prior to unloading.
4. In the event of any animal being found in poor health found in distress, at check-in, or any point during the fair, the Educator will be notified, a veterinarian will be consulted and the committee will uphold any veterinarian recommendation. Any disqualified animal shall be removed from the premises immediately. If medication or fee is issued by the veterinarian, or by the recommendation of the veterinarian, financial responsibility is assumed by the 4-H family.
5. A 4-H member may enter a maximum of six (6) wethers in any combination. Wethers must have their milk teeth in place with no alterations. Wethers must be castrated prior to fair check-in.
6. Dairy Goats must not have horns. Meat goats, because of breed type, may have horns, but they must be tipped.
7. Age of animal shall be computed from date of birth to date of show.
8. Meat goats must weigh a minimum of 40 pounds and dairy goats must weigh a minimum of 30 pounds in order to sell in the auction.
9. Full blood and percentage meat does must have registration papers or they will be shown in the commercial class. Registration papers must be available at all times.
10. **All goats must** be either ear tagged or tattooed by **Tag Day**. Live animal identification information must be legible and must match the registration, the May 15th enrollment form, and the county enrollment form to be eligible to show.
11. Only registered dairy does will be allowed to compete in respective breed classes. Registration papers must be available to the Superintendent at all times for these breeds. All other dairy does without registration papers will compete in the Grade class.
12. All Pygmy animals must be of a dam and sire of pygmy origin, and can be Registered or Non-Registered animals.
13. Pen assignments are based on a point system. Points will be given for each year in the Goat Barn, club meetings attended, participation in a fundraiser(s) and participation at other Goat Club designated activities and/or events.
14. Each goat must have a collar and have a tie chain available if needed.

15. **Mini 4-Hers** – Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd graders are eligible to participate in the Vigo County 4-H Goat project. They can make an informative poster for exhibit at the Fair. Mini 4-Hers are eligible to participate in a designated Mini 4-H Showmanship Class held during the 4-H Goat Show. They will show goats owned by other 4-Hers who are exhibiting at the Fair.
16. Club members are encouraged to complete a poster demonstrating their knowledge learned at club meeting and at home. See the Goat Poster project requirements for more details.

Pre-Fair Requirements

1. Animals must be owned and cared for by 4-H member in Vigo County by Tag Day.
2. **Tag Day is May 9th from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM. **All wethers and non-registered goats will need to be brought to Tag Day. All wethers need to be county tagged at Tag Day. Lamanchas or smaller animals that cannot take an ear tag must come on Tag Day to be photographed with the county tag. Non-registered breeding stock are required to have a scrapie tag or tattoo and must be brought to tag day if not already shown at a Vigo County Fair. Meat goat wethers going to the Indiana State Fair must be RFID tagged on Tag Day. Meat goat wethers, market does, and registered Boer goat females must a DNA Hair Sample to the Extension Office by May 15th at 4:30 PM to be eligible for State Fair. RFID tags will be \$2 and county tags are \$1.**
3. 4-H members MUST have their animal enrollment completed via 4HOnline by May 15th.
4. If an animal is not listed on the May 15 4HOnline enrollment and county form that animal will not be allowed to show. All animals entered in the group classes must all be entered in the appropriate age class. The deadline for entering goats in classes at the Indiana State Fair is July 1.

Fair Information

1. Animals must check in at the Fair between **6:00 PM and 9:00 PM on Saturday, July 11th Sunday July 12th from 7:00 AM – 10:00 AM.** Animals owned by Goat Advisory Committee Members may arrive early. Animals will be released at **8:30 PM on Saturday, July 18th.**
2. **Weigh-in for all Dairy Wethers will be 5:00 – 5:30 PM and weigh-in for meat wethers will be 5:30 – 6:00 PM on Sunday, July 12th.**
3. All 4-H'ers must be present for the weigh-in of their wethers. If the 4-Her cannot attend the weigh-in, he/she must ask another 4-Her or a parent to weigh their wether for them. The superintendent is not responsible for the weighing of any wether. If no one is present to weigh your wether it cannot be shown or auctioned.
4. The Dairy Goat Show will begin at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, July 15, starting with the Dairy Showmanship, Dairy Breeding Stock, Dairy Wethers and Pygmy. There will be a 30-minute break before the start of the Meat Goat Show, starting with Meat Showmanship, Meat Breeding Stock, and Meat Wethers.

Showmanship

Showmanship is limited to 4-H goat exhibitors and is divided into Dairy and Meat Divisions. A member must show their own animal in a regular class to participate in showmanship. Current year winners of Junior and Intermediate Divisions will advance to next division the following year, not day of show. Senior Division can advance to Grand in the same show year.

Each of the following will be offered for each division:

Senior (grades 9 – 12) Previous Senior Showmanship winners are not eligible and must show in Grand Showmanship.

Intermediate (grades 6 – 8) Previous Intermediate Showmanship winners are not eligible and must show in Senior Showmanship.

Junior (grades 3 – 5) Previous Junior Showmanship winners are not eligible and must show in Intermediate Showmanship

Grand - 4-H members who have won Senior and/or Grand Showmanship this year and years prior.

Mini (grades K-2) Mini 4-Hers may show goats owned by other 4-Hers who are exhibiting.

- It is not required, but highly recommended to wear white clothing during the Dairy Showmanship Contest.

4-H Auction

1. The participant and their parent(s) shall sign and return the green "sale card" within one hour of the completion of the Goat Show. At weigh-in, the 4-Her will draw a number for sale order. 4-Hers failing to draw a number will be placed at the end of the sale.
2. If you do not turn your sale card in to the superintendent within 1 hour of completion of the Goat Show, your wether will NOT SELL. No Pygmy wethers will sell.

4-H Dairy Goat Show on Wednesday, July 15 ~ 9:00 AM

Dairy Goat Showmanship

Senior Dairy Showmanship (Grades 9 - 12)

Intermediate Dairy Showmanship (Grades 6 - 8)

Junior Dairy Showmanship (Grades 3 - 5)

Grand Dairy Showmanship - 4-H members who have won Senior and/or Grand Showmanship years prior

Dairy Does

Senior Does: Alpine, Grade, Lamancha, Nigerian, Nubian, Oberhasli, Recorded Grade, Saanen, Sable, Toggenburg

It is **STRONGLY** suggested that Senior Does be IN milk.

1. Under two years
2. Two years and under three year
3. Three years and under five year
4. Five years and over
5. Reserve/Grand Champion - 1st and 2nd place animals from all Senior Classes

Best Senior Doe in Show - Grand Champion from all breeds

Champion Challenge

Junior Does: Alpine, Grade, Lamancha, Nigerianf, Nubian, Oberhasli, Recorded Grade, Saanen, Sable, Toggenburg

1. Junior Kids - Born April 1 - May 15 of current year
2. Intermediate Kids - Born March 1 - 31 of current year
3. Senior Kids - Born January 1 - February 28 of current year
4. Junior Yearlings - Born May 1 - December 31 of previous year
5. Senior Yearlings - Twelve months and under 24 months
6. Reserve/Grand Champion - 1st and 2nd place animals from all Junior Classes

Best Junior Doe in Show - Grand Champion from all breeds

Group Classes

1. Produce of Dam - 2 Does from the same dam, can share with other exhibitors
2. Mother and Daughter - 2 Does, one the mother of the other, can share with other exhibitor

Dairy Wethers

Wethers will be shown by weight. Classes will be based on the number of entries.
Grand Champion Dairy Wether from all breeds.

Dairy Wether Rate of Gain winners will be announced before the Dairy Grand Drive.

4-H Meat Goat Show

Pygmy Does

Senior Does

Junior Does

Grand Champion Pygmy Doe

Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Doe

Group Classes

1. Produce of Dam - 2 Does from the same dam, can share with other exhibitors
2. Mother and Daughter - 2 Does, one the mother of the other, can share with other exhibitor

Pygmy Wethers

Junior Pygmy Wether, Senior Pygmy Wether, Grand Champion Pygmy Wether

Any meat-type breeds with registration papers will be exhibited under their own division. Non-registered meat-type breeds will be shown as commercial.

Meat Showmanship

Senior Meat Showmanship (Grades 9 - 12)

Intermediate Meat Showmanship (Grades 6 - 8)

Junior Meat Showmanship (Grades 3 - 5)

Grand Meat Showmanship - 4-H members who have won Senior and/or Grand Showmanship years prior

Myotonic Does

Junior

1. Under 3 months and born prior by May 15
2. 3 months to under 6 months
3. 6 months to under 9 months
4. 9 months to under 12 months
5. Reserve/Champion - 1st and 2nd place animals from all Junior Classes

Yearling

1. 12 months to under 16 months
2. 16 months to under 20 months
3. 20 months to under 24 months
4. Reserve/Champion - 1st and 2nd place animals from all Yearling Classes

Senior

1. 24 months to under 36 months
2. 3 years and over
3. Reserve/Champion - 1st and 2nd place animals from all Senior Classes

Grand/Reserve Champion - Champion and Reserve Champion animals from Junior, Yearling and Senior Classes

% Boer Does

Junior

1. Under 3 months and born prior by May 15
2. 3 months to under 6 months
3. 6 months to under 9 months
4. 9 months to under 12 months
5. Reserve/Champion - 1st and 2nd place animals from all Junior Classes

Yearling

1. 12 months to under 16 months
2. 16 months to under 20 months
3. 20 months to under 24 months
4. Reserve/Champion - 1st and 2nd place animals from all Yearling Classes

Senior

1. 24 months to under 36 months
2. 3 years and over
3. Reserve/Champion - 1st and 2nd place animals from all Senior Classes

Grand/Reserve Champion - Champion and Reserve Champion animals from Junior, Yearling and Senior Classes

Fullblood/Purebred Boer Does

Junior

1. Under 3 months and born prior by May 15
2. 3 months to under 6 months
3. 6 months to under 9 months
4. 9 months to under 12 months
5. Reserve/Grand Champion - 1st and 2nd place animals from all Junior Classes

Yearling

1. 12 months to under 16 months
2. 16 months to under 20 months
3. 20 months to under 24 months
4. Reserve/Grand Champion - 1st and 2nd place animals from all Yearling Classes

Senior

1. 24 months to under 36 months
2. 3 years and over
3. Reserve/Grand Champion - 1st and 2nd place animals from all Senior Classes

Grand/Reserve Champion - Champion and Reserve Champion animals from Junior, Yearling and Senior Classes

Commercial Meat Does

The commercial does will be shown in Divisions by teeth. Classes will be divided into three divisions:

1. Division 1 will be for does that have all milk teeth in place.
2. Division 2 will be for does with 2 adult teeth in place.
3. Division 3 will be for does with 4 adult teeth or more in place.
4. Grand/Reserve Champion -1st and 2nd place animals from all Division Classes

Class breaks within the divisions will be calculated by weight. Committee reserves the right to adjust the class numbers and breaks as needed.

Best/Reserve Meat Doe in Show- Champion and Reserve Champion Myotonic, % Boer, Fullblood/Purebred, and Commercial Does.

Group Classes

1. Produce of Dam - 2 Does from the same dam, can share with other exhibitors
2. Mother and Daughter - 2 Does, one the mother of the other, can share with other exhibitor

Meat Wether

Wethers will be shown by weight. Classes will be based on the number of entries.

Grand Champion Meat Wether

NOTE: Weight classes may change depending on number of entries.

Meat Wether Rate of Gain winners will be announced before the Meat Grand Drive.

Vigo County Bred and Owned

Meat/Dairy Wethers who were bred and owned by the 4-H member.

In the event that the Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion meat wether is not bred and owned in Vigo County the Vigo County Bred and Owned from the weight/age class(es) will be invited to return to the show ring for the selection of the champion in that area.

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