

DEPARTMENT J-27: MARKET, PYGMY, AND PACK GOATS

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Goat Show - 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, September 16

Skillathon - 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., Saturday, September 13

Goat Exhibitor's Meeting - 9:00 a.m., Saturday, September 13

Market Goat Weigh-In - 9:30 a.m., Saturday, September 13

Premiums A - \$6.00 B - \$4.00 C - \$2.00

1. **Read the FAIR GENERAL RULES.**
2. Exhibitors may make two entries per class.
3. Enter animals in the class most like the breed characteristics.
4. Pygmy and market breeding goat entries should be made based on the goat's age on the date of the show. If a pygmy doe is 6 months and two weeks of age on the date of show, then she should be entered in the 6 to 12 months of age class. Similarly, if a market breeding doe is 3 months and 27 days old on the day of show, then she should be entered in the does under 4 months of age class.
5. All kids and/or brood does must be in the member's possession by June 1 to be eligible to participate in the show.
6. All goats must be in place by 9:00 a.m. on the first Saturday of the fair. All goats must be checked in by the 4-H Goat Committee during designated times, 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday or 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on Saturday. Goats will be checked for any health problems, castration, and scrapie identification at that time. Registered animals must have registration papers with them at check in as required for USDA Scrapie ID compliance. The committee has the authority to dismiss questionable animals or animals that do not comply with USDA Scrapie identification requirements. If a goat is identified with a microchip, please bring a microchip reader with you to the fair.
7. Male goats over 8 weeks old must be castrated.
8. Due to space limitations, if the number of pens requested is greater than we have available, the superintendent will use discretion in assigning pens. Do not request extra pens for tack. Tack may be stored in the designated Tack Rooms in the barn or in the center aisle.
9. All goats are to have clean water available to them at all times. Water is not to be withheld from the market goats in the hours preceding the show.
10. Market goats must be born after January 1st of the current year, and in the member's care and possession by June 1. They must be tagged and/or tattooed by the Goat Committee on the first Saturday in June. (Note: Goats entered as Market Breeding Goats are not tagged in June. Only those entered as a meat/market project and intended to sell through the auction ring require tagging by the fair in June.)
11. A member may bring up to 4 market goats to the fairgrounds to be tagged and tattooed, but may only enter and bring 2 market goats to the fair.
12. Market goats must weigh at least 50 pounds and not exceed 110 pounds in order to compete for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion. Market goats weighing less than 50 pounds will not be permitted to sell through the auction ring, but may sell for market price. Market goats weighing more than 110 pounds will be sold through the auction ring, but will be docked a processing premium.
13. Market goats must be slick shorn within the week prior to the show date, and must be shorn prior to weigh in on Saturday morning.
14. An exhibitor winning Grand Champion Market Goat cannot compete for Reserve Champion Market Goat as

well.

15. Market goats may be wethers or does. Does shown in the market goat class must have proper Scrapie identification and be dehorned. A does shown in the market goat class (i.e., Section C) cannot also be shown as a market breeding animal.
16. Market goats will be sold during the Junior Fair Sale on Tuesday evening beginning at 6:30 p.m. The Champion and Reserve Champion market goats must be slaughtered immediately after the sale at the facility designated by the sale committee.
17. The Champion and Reserve Champion market goats will be drug tested immediately after selection.
18. Market Goats will be sold by the head.
19. Pygmy goat showmanship will be held immediately following the dairy/ market goat showman of showmen class on Tuesday morning in the Show Arena. There will be three groups based upon the exhibitor's 4-H age: 9-11 years, 12-14 years, and 15-18 years of age. Following the 3 age classes, any winner of a pygmy goat showmanship class, current year and previous years, may then compete for the Pygmy Goat Showman of Showmen. The winner of this class will then represent pygmy goats in the overall fair Showman of Showmen contest on Wednesday afternoon.
20. Pee Wee showmanship will take place after the pygmy goat showman of showmen contests.
21. Pack goats will be entered in showmanship classes based on the breed characteristics of the goat.
22. Pack goat exhibitors with goats 1 year of age and older must supply their own pack for the competition. Weights will be provided by the fair for goats over 2 years of age.
23. No goats with horns will be allowed except Boer goats, entered in the market goat breeding classes or pack goat classes. All Boers entered in the market goat class must be dehorned.
24. Nylon rope bags are not allowed in the barn for hay. This poses a safety risk for the goats.
25. A meeting of all goat exhibitors will be held at 9:00 a.m. on the first Saturday of the fair in the Pig & Lamb Barn. All exhibitors or a representative must attend. Drug Use Notification Forms will be distributed at this time and must be completed for all market goats.
26. A goat poster contest will be held and all posters entered will be displayed in the barn until the goats are released. Monetary prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for two age divisions. Posters will be graded for neatness, quality of facts, and creativity. Posters should be turned into the goat committee members during check-in or by the end of the goat exhibitor's meeting on Saturday morning.
27. Goat Skillathon is on Saturday, September 13 at 1:00 p.m. in the Show Arena. There will be three age groups: 9-11 years; 12-14 years; and 15-18 years. There will be prize money awarded in each age group: \$25.00 for first place, \$15.00 for second place, and \$10.00 for third place.

Section A: Pack Goat Classes

Class 1 - Junior Kid Obstacle Course (exhibitor age 9-12)

Kid, Does or wether 0-12 months

Goats do not carry a pack.

Class 2 - Senior Kid Obstacle Course (exhibitor age 13 -18)

Kid, Does or wether 0-12 months

Goats do not carry a pack.

Class 3 - Junior Pack Goat Obstacle Course

(exhibitor age 9-12)

Doe or wether 1 year and over

Goats required to carry a pack. Goats 1-2 years

will carry no weight in pack. Goats 2 years and

over may be asked to complete the course

carrying up to 5 pounds for Pygmy goats and 10 pounds for other breeds.

Class 4 – Senior Pack Goat Obstacle Course

(exhibitor age 13 -18)

Doe or wether 1 year and over

Goats required to carry a pack. Goats 1-2 years will carry no weight in pack. Goats 2 years and over may be asked to complete the course carrying up to 5 pounds for Pygmy goats and 10 pounds for other breeds.

Section B: Pygmy Classes

Class 1 - Doe 0-6 months

Class 2 - Doe 6-12 months

Class 3 - Doe 1-2 years

Class 4 - Doe 2 and over

Class 5 - Wether 0-6 months

Class 6 - Wether 6-12 months

Class 7 - Wether 1-2 years

Class 8 - Wether 2 and over

Section C: Market Goat Class

Class 1 - Market Goat

Section D: Market Goat Breeding Classes

Class 1 – Doe, under 4 months of age

Class 2 – Doe, age 4 to 8 months

Class 3 – Doe, age 8 to 12 months

Class 4 – Doe, age 12 to 18 months

Class 5 – Doe, age 18 to 24 months

Class 6 – Doe, age 2 years and older

Register for Goat Skillathon in Division J-30 Junior Fair Skillathons

AWARDS

Pee Wee Showmanship -Rosette
Grand Champion Market Goat Trophy
Res. Champion Market Goat Trophy
Lightweight Division Champion Trophy
Mediumweight Division Champion Trophy
Heavyweight Division Champion Trophy
Jr. Pygmy Showmanship Trophy
Intermediate Pygmy Showmanship..... Trophy
Sr. Pygmy Showmanship Trophy
Best Pygmy Goat Doe..... Trophy
Reserve Pygmy Goat Doe.....Rosette
Best Pygmy Wether..... Trophy
Reserve Pygmy Goat Wether.....Rosette
Market Goat Breeding Doe Champion Trophy
Reserve Market Goat Breeding DoeRosette
Dairy/Market Goat Showman of Showmen Trophy
Pygmy Goat Showman of Showmen Trophy
Pack Goat Class Winners Trophy
Adult Showmanship..... Trophy