



YL-I - 4-H & FFA MEAT GOAT DEPARTMENT

Superintendent: Bruce Bennett

Market Goat & Showmanship Show - Mon, Aug 8th – 1:00 P.M. - Main Show Ring

Meat Goat Breeding Show – Mon, Aug 8th – 12:00 Noon Main Show Ring

Orientation - Sunday, July 31st - 6:00 P.M. – Fairgrounds

1. Market meat goats must be owned and registered with the 4-H Office by June 1st of the current year. Market goats may not be switched between family members after registration and are automatically entered in the fair. Exhibitors must show their own animals.
2. All registration papers must be checked in with superintendent by 6:00 P.M. Sunday.
3. All market goats must be slick shorn (less than 3/8 inch of hair above the knees and hocks, excluding tail switch. This must be done prior to weigh-in or they will not be weighed.
4. Market goats must be castrated and healed, prior to tagging in June. All market goats must be born after October 15th of the previous year. All meat goats will be allowed to carry horns, but must have them blunt tipped prior to weigh in at the fair. For the safety of exhibitors sharp horns will not be allowed. Disbudding of market goats is encouraged but not required.
5. Bred and owned animals must come from a female owned by the 4-H'er prior to breeding and under direct care of the 4-H'er. The 4-H'er must have carried the breeding goat project in 2021 and 2022.
6. Exhibitors must use their own goat for showmanship. Market or breeding animals may be used in showmanship classes.
7. Exhibitors are limited to no more than 2 goats in the same weight or breed class.
8. Exhibitors are responsible for bringing the correct animal to class. Incorrect animals and exhibitor will be excused from incorrect class. Premium will be forfeited.
9. Market goats will be mouth checked for the presence of milk teeth. Goats showing eruption of either or both of the first pair of permanent teeth will not be tagged; mouths will be re-checked at the fair weigh-in. Goats showing eruption of either or both of the first pair of permanent teeth are not eligible to be shown.

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10. Market goats can be either wethers or does and will be weighed at 7:00 P.M. on Saturday, August 6th, before the Market Lambs. Market Goats must gain .15 pounds per day from initial weigh in to fair weigh in. Market goats will be graded on Sunday afternoon after the lambs. All exhibitors must be present with their market goats when weighed and graded.
11. Blankets are permitted on market goats only after being weighed on Saturday evening.
12. Market goats that do not make minimum Rate-of-Gain (.15 pounds per day) will be eligible to exhibit only in the Market Exhibition class. Market Exhibition classes will be conducted at the start of the Market Goat Show. Goats in the Market Exhibition classes are not eligible to compete in Champion classes and are not eligible for the 4-H Livestock Sale.
13. If a market goat does not meet rate-of-gain requirements and is not shown in showmanship or a market exhibition class, then it must go home unless approved by goat superintendent.
14. In case of a rate-of-gain tie in the market goat division, the heaviest market goat will be Champion rate-of-gain.
15. Commercial breeding meat goats need to be registered with the Howard County 4-H Program through completion of a livestock registration form and tagged with a Maryland 4-H commercial tag no later than July 1st.
16. Does can be shown in the market goat show or breeding show but not both.
17. A 4-H/FFA member must be enrolled in the breeding goat project to exhibit breeding goats in the 4-H/FFA show.
18. No fainting or fainting cross goats.
19. Scrapie tags are required for all goats.
20. Please notify Superintendents if there is a decrease in the number of animals you are bringing.

Class 16	7 Participation									
Premiums*:	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7
Bred & Owned Market Goat	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7
Showmanship:	20	18	16	14	12	10	Rest of class			

4-H Special Awards sponsored by: Bramble Hill Farm, Dayton 4-H Club, Howard County Beef Club, In Memory of Cody Porter, Sue Kline, The Bower Family, The Herriotts Family, The Moore Family, Gene Seals, The Troppman Family and West Friendship 4-H Club

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Division 01 - Showmanship

- *1-11. Showmanship Classes
- 12. Champion Senior Showman
- 13. Champion Intermediate Showman
- 14. Champion Junior Showman
- 15. Grand Champion Showman

Division 02 - Market Goats - (1:00 P.M. – Monday, August 8th)

- 16. Market Exhibition Class
- *17-18. Bred and Owned Market Goat
- 20. Champion Bred and Owned Market Goat – Rosette
- 21. Reserve Champion Bred and Owned Market Goat – Rosette
- *22-36. Divided on Weight – broken into three divisions with a Champion and Reserve Champion for each Division
- 37. Grand Champion Market Goat - Rosette
- 38. Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat - Rosette
- 39. Rate of Gain - 25 23 21 19 17 15 13 11 9 7 6 5 4 3 2

Division 03 - Breeding Meat Goat (Commercial and Registered)

- *40. Junior Doe Kid - Born on or after March 15, 2022 and before June 1, 2022
- *41. Intermediate Doe Kid - Born between January 1 and March 14, 2022
- *42. Senior Doe Kid - Born between September 1 and Dec 31, 2021
- 43. Junior Champion Doe
- 44. Reserve Junior Champion Doe
- *45. Yearling Doe (kidded) - between Sept 1, 2020 and August 31, 2021
- *46. Yearling Doe (not kidded) – between Sept 1, 2020 and August 31, 2021
- *47. Aged Doe - Born before September 1, 2020
- 48. Senior Champion Doe
- 49. Reserve Senior Champion Doe
- 50. Grand Champion Doe
- 51. Reserve Grand Champion Doe
- *52. Junior Buck Kid - Born on or after March 15, 2022 and before June 1, 2022
- *53. Intermediate Buck Kid - Born between January 1 and March 14, 2022
- *54. Senior Buck Kid - Born between Sept 1, 2021 and Dec 31, 2021
- 55. Grand Champion Buck
- 56. Reserve Grand Champion Buck
- 57. Grand Champion Bred and Owned Breeding Doe
- 58. Grand Champion Bred and Owned Breeding Buck