

**DEPARTMENT 8
GOATS
Superintendent - Julie Miller - 517-256-2845**

GENERAL RULES

Judging Wednesday @ 9:00 am

1. Livestock exhibitors must be in compliance with animal health requirements as defined by the department. Please refer to the MDA web site www.michigan.gov/mdafairreqs.
2. All goats must have an official ID for scrapie.
3. All goats must be in the possession and care of the exhibitor by May 1st. If the project can't be in the possession and care of the exhibitor by this date, an agreement must be on file with the superintendent by May 1st.
4. Any exhibitor violating rule #3 will lose premiums, placing, championships and any award's concerning the animal.
5. All dairy goats must be neatly disbudded or naturally polled. Pygmies, Angoras and Boer according to owner's preference.
6. Breeding goats to be clipped according to breed standards, all market goats must be neatly clipped.
7. Exhibitors are to do their own work; realizing younger exhibitors may need assistance.
8. May show more than one entry in a class, unless otherwise stated.
9. Maximum number of goats shown per exhibitor is 6.
10. All goat exhibitors must supply materials to have goats on a maximum of a 2-foot tie and or penned. The pen must be safe and secure for both the animal and the public. Bedding must be contained by a suitable barrier.
11. **All goats must be checked in at the west side of the small animal building on Sunday, July 8th at 4 p.m. Market goat weigh in @ 4:00 pm on Monday.**
12. A Scrapie ID must be presented at check in.
13. There will be a manure disposal fee of \$3.50 per animal. The Small Animal Association approved a .50 cent increase to be applied to the trophy fund. Fees must accompany barn space request forms due May 1st. Checks should be made payable to Eaton County Agriculture Society.
14. All market animals must be owned by the exhibitor.

SECTION 44 - SHOWMANSHIP

Ribbons

Age as of Jan 1st of the current year. Classes will be divided by age.

Class

500. Dairy Goat Showmanship Classes
Dairy Showmanship 1
Dairy Showmanship 2
Dairy Showmanship 3
504. Pygmy Showmanship Classes
Pygmy Showmanship 1
Pygmy Showmanship 2
Pygmy Showmanship 3
508. Champion and Reserve Champion Showman

SECTION 45 - DAIRY GOATS

Ribbons

Class

509. Jr. Doe Kid (born after 4-1-12)
510. Sr. Doe Kid (born 1-11 thru 3-31-12)
511. Yearling (under 2 years as of show day, never freshened)
512. Yearling Milker (under 2 years as of show day)
513. Jr. Milker (2 years old and under 3)
514. Sr. Milker (3 to 5 years)
515. Aged Milker (5 years and over)
516. Best Udder
517. Daughter and Dam (both in milk)
518. Get-of-Sire (3 does, any age by same sire, shown in above classes)
519. Champion Udder
520. Champion and Reserve Champion - Jr. Doe
521. Champion and Reserve Champion - Milking Doe

SECTION 46 - PYGMIES

Ribbons

Class

522. Doe Kids (born after 1-1-12)
523. Yearling Doe (born 1-1-11 thru 12-31-11)
524. Mature Doe (born before 12-31-10)
525. Dam and Daughter
526. Wether (born after 1-1-10)
527. Yearling Wether (born between 1-1-10 and 12-31-11)
528. Mature Wether
529. Champion and Reserve Champion - Doe
530. Champion and Reserve Champion - Wether

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**SECTION 47 - BOER
Ribbons**

Class

- 531. Doe Kids (born after 1-1-12)
- 532. Yearling Doe (born before 1-1-12, never bred)
- 533. Mature Doe
- 534. Champion and Reserve Champion - Doe

**SECTION 48 - MARKET GOATS
Ribbons**

- 1. Only two market goats per exhibitor may be sold in sale.
- 2. Wethers under 1 year of age may be shown.
- 3. All market goats must be tattooed or tagged.
- 4. Champion and Reserve Champion must be sold in the sale.
- 5. **Weigh-in at 4:00 p.m. Sunday.**
- 6. When entering market goats indicate the section & class # (535 weight class will be determined after weigh-in).
- 7. Feeders may not be sold in sale.

Class

- 535. All market goats will be placed in one of the following classes after weigh-in (535 is not a premium class)
 - 536. Feeder Goat 30 pounds and under
 - 537. Lightweight Market Goat
 - 538. Middleweight Market Goat
 - 539. Heavyweight Market Goat
- 540. Champion and Reserve Champion - Market Goat

**SECTION 49 - DRIVING & PACK SUITABILITY
Ribbons**

- 1. Goats shown in driving & pack suitability can't be shown in breed or market class.
- 2. Goats shown in class 543 & 546, must also show in one driving or pack class appropriate for years of training.

SMALL BREEDS (PYGMY OR NIGERIAN SIZE)

Class

- 541. Jr. Driving and Pack Suitability (0-12 months)
- 542. Intermediate Driving & Pack Suitability (13-24 months)
- 543. Sr. Driving and Pack Suitability (over 24 months)

LARGE BREEDS (ALL OTHER BREEDS)

- 544. Jr. Driving and Pack Suitability (0-12 months)
- 545. Intermediate Driving & Pack Suitability (13-24 months)
- 546. Sr. Driving and Pack Suitability (over 24 months)
- 547. Champion & Reserve Champion Driving & Pack Suitability

SECTION 50 - DRIVING GOATS

- 548. Driving lines - obey voice or rein commands, harness opt
- 549. Beginning Driving - goat pulling a cart or stone boat with 1 to 12 months driving experience
- 550. Intermediate Driving - goat pulling a cart or stone boat with 13 to 24 months driving experience
- 551. Advanced Driving - goat pulling a cart or stone boat with more than 24 months driving experience
- 552. Champion and Reserve Champion Driving

**SECTION 51 - PACK GOAT CLASSES
Ribbons**

- 1. No more than two entries per class per exhibitor, meeting suitability and pack standards.
- 2. Goats shown in pack class may not be shown in a breed or market class.
- 3. Animal age for showing is age of animal on show day.
- 4. Judge will follow guideline sheet for items needed in pack and also type of pack needed.
(Guideline sheet available at the extension office)

Class

- 553. Pack Goat in training - under 1 year of age. Required to carry empty pack and use a lead through obstacle course
- 554. Yearling pack goat - one year and under two years
- 555. Pack goat two years and over with 1 to 2 years experience
- 556. Pack goat - 2 years and older with 2 to 3 years experience
- 557. Pack goat - 2 years & older with 4 or more years experience
- 558. Team Pack Goat - 2 animals carrying appropriate road packs in the course at same time

**SECTION 52 - MILK PRODUCTION CONTEST
Ribbons**

- 1. Does must be shown in breed class.
- 2. Goats must be milked out at 7 p.m. Sunday. This will be checked.
- 3. On Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday goats must be milked and milk weighed at 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. One set of scales will be provided. Two adults from different clubs will be present to observe and check weight.
- 4. Winners will be announced on Saturday.

Class

- 559. Milker 2 years & under first freshner
- 560. Milker 2 years and over second or more freshening

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SECTION 53 - FUN EVENTS

Friday 3 p.m.

Ribbons

Class

561. Obstacle

562. Goat calling

563. Kid calling

564. Costume

565. Scavenger hunt

