

4-H MEAT GOAT DEPARTMENT

4-H Meat Goat Team

Superintendent - TBA

Assistant Superintendent - TBA

Amount Offered --- \$1,100

4-H Meat Goats will be housed and shown in the Swine Barn.

Schedule:

Wednesday, August 15

8:00 a.m. Meat Goats may arrive
10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Meat Goat check-in
Noon Meat Goats must be in; Showmanship sign-up deadline
12:30 - 2:00 p.m. Meat Goat Skillathon - Swine Show Ring
2:00 p.m. Exhibitor Meeting
3:30 p.m. Showmanship - West Swine Ring

Thursday, August 16

Noon Market Meat Goat Show

Friday, August 17

8:00 a.m. Breeding Doe Meat Goat Show
After Show Meat Goats (not entered in Open) released
9:00 p.m. Meat Goats (not entered in Open) must be out

Saturday, August 18

2:00 p.m. Sale of Champions - Cattle Barn Media Center

Sunday, August 19

4:00 p.m. Meat Goats (entered in Open) released
8:00 p.m. Meat Goats (entered in Open) must be out

ENTRY DEADLINE - JULY 1 through 4hOnline

RULES

1. General Livestock Rules and Regulations and 4-H General Rules and Regulations apply in this department.
2. An entry fee of \$5 per head must be paid with entry. No Refunds.
3. All market meat goats (wethers or does) must have been weighed and tagged at an official verification site (prior to May 15), as well as had retinal images collected from the nominated animals and information recorded in 4hOnline by May 15.
4. Breeding does must have an official 4-H tag or tattoo (tattoo must follow official guidelines: Left Ear = Individual Animal Identifier; Right Ear = Herd Prefix) and birth date, as well as had retinal images from the nominated animals and information recorded in 4hOnline by May 15.
5. Each 4-H'er is allowed to bring a total of six meat goats (maximum four market). All breeds are eligible.
6. All meat goats must be penned in the assigned pens.

BEDDING AND FEED. Shavings are preferred to be used in pens. Carpeting is not allowed as bedding. Rubber mats are acceptable but must have a layer of bedding underneath. You may bring your own bedding or there will be bedding available for purchase on the Fairgrounds. Bring your own feed and water buckets.

7. Check In: All market meat goats will be weighed and checked for appropriate county identification during check-in. Any evidence of tampering with the official 4-H tag will be scrutinized. No reweighs will be allowed. Breeding doe classes will be divided by age.
8. Weight Limit: Market meat goats must weigh a minimum of 50 pounds. Classes will be divided by weight. All market does, market wethers and breeds will show together.
9. Age: Meat goats must have kid teeth in normal positions at time of check-in. Any meat goat having lost any kid teeth will be disqualified.
10. Horns: Exhibitors will be required to have horns disbudded, dehorned or tipped blunt on all market goats before arrival on the Fairgrounds. Removal of horns on Fairgrounds is NOT permitted.
11. Hair: All market animals must be uniformly clipped with 3/8 inch length of hair or less above the knee and hock joints to include the head, excluding the tail, prior to arrival on the grounds. **All meat goats must arrive on the fairgrounds clipped and show ready. No electric or battery operated clippers can be used on any 4-H meat goat on the Fairgrounds.**
12. Bracing is allowed. However, all goats must have four feet on the floor in the show ring at all times. Lifting feet off the ground or placing them on any support or altered ring surface is not acceptable. Exhibitors will receive one warning if they are found lifting or slapping goats. Second offenses will result in automatic exhibitor disqualification from the 4-H Meat Goat Show.
13. Injection, drenching or application of any substance per rectum is prohibited. Further, the application of any substance to or near the tail or anus is prohibited. Animals showing any signs of being unethically fitted will be disqualified and exhibitors may face further repercussion.
14. There will be no powdering, painting or coloring agent used on any meat goat. Exhibitors in violation will not be allowed to show.
15. Exhibitors are expected to care for their meat goats in an acceptable manner. **NO MUZZLES OF ANY TYPE ARE ALLOWED!** Any abusive care including slapping or excessive modification of meat goats will be grounds for disqualification at the discretion of the show officials.
16. Drenching will not be allowed. Some of the products being used are not labeled for animal use. There are quality assurance issues involved with this practice. If there are health concerns involved regarding dehydration, the State Fair Veterinarian should be contacted.
17. Showmanship: Showmanship will be open to all 4-H meat goat exhibitors. Exhibitors choosing to participate must sign up for showmanship during check-in. There will be three divisions: Junior - Grades 5-6; Intermediate - Grades 7-8; Senior - Grades 9-12. 4-H members must show their own animal. Results will be announced at the conclusion of the contest and recipients will receive awards at that time. All exhibitors designated by the judge as outstanding will receive a purple ribbon. The Iowa State Fair will provide belt buckles for the top individual(s) designated by the judge. An exhibitor who has previously been awarded a belt buckle is not eligible to receive another one and will receive a ribbon only.
18. Should a first placed meat goat be disqualified after winning its class, but before its respective division championship, the second and third place animals will move up to first and second in the class and compete for champion in the division. If a second place animal is disqualified, the third place animal will move up. Should a division meat goat champion be disqualified after winning its division, but before selection of Grand Champion Meat Goat, the reserve division champion will move up to champion and compete for Grand Championship. In this case, no attempt will be made to

replace the division reserve champion. If a division reserve champion animal is disqualified, no shifting upward will occur and no attempt to replace the reserve champion will be made.

19. The Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will be selected along with 3rd, 4th and 5th place in the championship drive.
20. Premiums: \$1,000 will be prorated in all divisions on an equal basis for purple, blue, red and white ribbon groups in the ratio of 5, 4, 3, 2. Each animal in a grouping will be awarded the same amount of money.

MARKET MEAT GOAT

CLASS

- Market Meat Goat - Wether or Doe
Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion

BREEDING MEAT GOAT

CLASS

- Does - born April 1 - May 15, 2018
- Does - born March, 2018
- Does - born February, 2018
Junior Spring Division Champion & Reserve Champion
- Does - born January, 2018
- Does - born December, 2017
- Does - born September 1 - November 30, 2017
Junior Winter Division Champion & Reserve Champion
- Does - born May 1 - August 31, 2017
- Does - born January 1 - April 30, 2017
- Does - born September 1 - December 31, 2016
Yearling Division Champion & Reserve Champion
- Does - born May 1 - August 31, 2016
- Does - born January 1 - April 30, 2016
- Does - born on/before December 31, 2015
Senior Division Champion & Reserve Champion
Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion

4-H MEAT GOAT SPECIALS

Featherlite Trailers will donate free use of a topper for one year to the exhibitor of the Grand Champion 4-H Market Meat Goat.

The **Tall Corn Meat Goat Wether Association, Inc.** will award a belt buckle to the exhibitor of the Grand Champion Market Meat Goat.

The Third Overall 4-H Breeding Meat Goat will be awarded a banner by **5 Star Show Goats - Troy Kane.**

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Hummel Livestock will award a Hummel Brahma Webb Goat Halter to the division winners (Junior, Intermediate, Senior) in 4-H Meat Goat Showmanship.