TO: 2019 FFA Meat Goat Exhibitors

FROM: FFA Entry Department

Thank you for entering the 2019 Iowa State Fair. Your exhibitor admission ticket, and load/unload permit(s) have been sent to your advisor. Each exhibitor will be given one load/unload permit that allows 30 minutes to load/unload animals and tack, but does not provide parking. The vehicle load/unload permit has been dated for the FFA Meat Goat Show. Please enter the Fairgrounds through gate 8. Vehicles entering the State Fairgrounds from Saturday, August 3rd to Sunday, August 18th, MUST have a load/unload pass. Contact your advisor for this pass. Vehicles without a permit will not be allowed to enter the Fairgrounds.

NOTE: Please remember to bring wood blocks to use when parking/setting your trailer.

Each Market Meat Goat exhibitor is required to fill out the Iowa State Fair FFA Animal Care and Management Disclosure Statement which can be found at http://www.iowastatefair.org/participate/competition/how-to-enter/ffa. The Animal Care and Management Disclosure Statement must be on file before the exhibitor can show their livestock. **ALL treatment given to animals since nomination time must be listed on the Statement.**

Please read the rules and regulations listed in the Premium Book. A few rules to note:

- All FFA exhibitors are expected to conduct themselves in a cooperative and courteous manner while participating in FFA events at the Iowa State Fair.

- At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises **medication of any kind is to be administered to livestock animals by an Official Iowa State Fair Veterinarian ONLY.** If an FFA exhibitor or his/her assistant administers a shot or medication, this exhibitor shall be barred from showing and premiums will be taken away.

- **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 or being unethically fitted will be disqualified and exhibitors may face further repercussion.

- **No drugs or medications of any kind may be administered at the Fair except by the order of the Official State Fair Veterinarian.** All animals will be subject to chemical testing and analysis of saliva, urine, blood, other excretions or tissues to determine whether a substance or drug has been induced or whether a substance or drug has been introduced to interfere with the testing procedure. Positive tests will result in immediate disqualification of the animal, forfeiture of ribbons, trophies, premiums and sale prices. The exhibitor of that animal and the exhibitor’s family may be barred from participation in future Iowa State Fairs.

- **THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS AND THE PRESENCE OF DRUG RESIDUE IS PROHIBITED.** Exhibitors may not use stimulants of food or beverage products that may contain stimulants such as caffeine.

Meat goats may arrive beginning at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, August 14th and must be in by noon on Wednesday, August 14th. Check-in will be from Noon- 1:30 p.m.
Upon arrival please take your animals’ health certificates to the Veterinary Office for approval. Health certificates must be examined, approved and stamped by the veterinarian in the Veterinary Office prior to animals being checked in. Health Certificates not completed properly will be denied and the owner will be required to obtain a new certificate at owner’s expense. The Iowa State Fair must be listed as the destination.

Livestock Release Procedure
To help alleviate traffic congestion and expedite load out procedures a process for livestock release will be used again this year. Please familiarize yourself with the following steps. Cooperation from all exhibitors is greatly appreciated and will provide a better experience for everyone.

1. Exhibitor will go to the barn office to obtain a release form no earlier than 30 minutes before scheduled release time.
2. Exhibitor will take the release form to the appropriate trailer lot to receive their load-out mirror hanger. ALL vehicles picking up livestock MUST go to a trailer lot to get a load-out mirror hanger before being allowed on the Fairgrounds.
3. Trucks and trailers will be lined up according to species/barn.
4. Vehicles will be released from trailer lots to the Fairgrounds.

FFA meat goats will be released after the FFA show until 7:00 p.m. on Friday, August 16th. If you are staying for the Open Class Meat Goat show you will be released at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 18th and must be out by 8:00 p.m.

Please make every effort to keep your area clean and neat. The aisles must be open at all times to the public. Thank you for helping us put on a great display of quality show animals for all visitors and other exhibitors.

NEW THIS YEAR: In coordination with Metro Waste Authority, the Iowa State Fair will dispose of waste livestock bedding as a compostable material. In addition to being environmentally friendly, this program puts our waste to a better use and helps reduce disposal costs. We need the help of exhibitors, superintendents, and attendees to make this program successful. Please make sure to keep bedding clear of unaccepted material such as paper, cans, show supplies, feed bags or leftover food that could disrupt the composting process. Your cooperation is much appreciated!

If you have any additional questions, please contact the FFA Entry Department by phone at 515-262-3111 ext. 246 or by email ffa@iowastatefair.org.

Thank you and good luck at the 2019 Iowa State Fair!

SCHEDULE

**Wednesday, August 14th**
8:00 a.m.     Meat Goats may arrive (Swine Barn)
Noon         Meat Goats must be in
Noon - 1:30 p.m.    Meat Goats check-in
1:45 p.m.    Exhibitor Meeting

**Thursday, August 15th**
Noon         Market Meat Goat Show (Swine Barn - West Show Ring)

**Friday, August 16th**
8:00 a.m.     Breeding Meat Goat Show
After Show    Meat Goats (not entered in Open) released
7:00 p.m.  Meat Goats (not entered in Open) must be out

**Sunday, August 18th**

4:00 p.m.  Meat Goats (entered in Open) released

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