

HUNTERDON COUNTY 4-H & AGRICULTURAL FAIR
4-H INVITATIONAL GOAT SHOW

Date: Wednesday, August 21, 2024
Deadline for Registrations: August 1, 2024

RECORD BOOKS DUE TO 4-H LEADERS ON OR BEFORE Monday, August 1, 2024

CHECK IN: TUESDAY, AUGUST 20th 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
or Wednesday, August 21st 8:30 am
Show to begin promptly at 9 am

Location: GOAT BARN, South County Park Fairgrounds (1207 Route 179 Lambertville, NJ 08530)
Superintendents: Colleen Ewing and Debra Winters
Judge: Mackenzie Matakonis

Base date for computing animal age is August 21, 2024

1. Health Requirements

All goats entering the show must have a valid Certificate of Inspection (CVI) or Animal Health Certificate (AHC). The CVI or AHC must be presented at registration. Certificates should indicate that the animals did not originate from a herd with foot rot, sore mouth or any infectious or contagious disease. This statement must be written on the CVI or AHC. Inspection must take place on the farm where the animal lives.

The Hunterdon County 4-H & Agricultural Fair will be following the recommendation of the NJ Department of Agriculture. **All mammals including goat, sheep, horse, cattle, alpaca, swine and llama which will be exhibited at the Hunterdon County 4-H & Agricultural Fair must be vaccinated for rabies. The vaccination must be recorded on your CVI by the veterinarian. Any livestock who is not vaccinated will not be allowed on grounds. A copy of the CVI must be provided and handed into the show superintendent. Notice to Goat Exhibitors, if you have a kid 4 months old or less, you will not need to vaccinate.

- a. Both forms are acceptable at the state show. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) can only be given to a member if the inspection is done on the farm – which is the most effective and recommended method. *Any animal housed outside of New Jersey must have a CVI form.* Otherwise, the Animal Health Certificate (AAHC) will need to be used. *AHC's issued for an animal off of the animal's home site must be signed by the owner of the animal under the section entitled "Owner Certification".* The AHC is included with the Animal Health Recommendations recently sent by the NJ Department of Agriculture; a CVI is only available through the veterinarian *and is valid for a maximum of 30 days. The AHC may be validated for 30, 60, or 90 days.* Only the vet can determine if the certificate is valid for 30, 60, or 90 days based on the condition of the animal.

Goats shall be identified by USDA approved official identification

The goat must be identified individually on the CVI/AHC by ear tag or tattoo number.

Note: This can be achieved in two ways.

- a. An animal registered with a Breed Association is assigned with a tattoo number that is placed in the ear or tail area depending on the breed.
- b. If the animals are not registered with a Breed Association you can obtain a Premise ID by calling the USDA at (609) 259-8387) and requesting one. They will send you an ID number that can be tattooed on the animal and each animal can then be assigned its own number in addition to the premise ID number. Ear tags are also acceptable.

All goats are subject to a visual health inspection on arrival at the fair. Any animal suspected of having a health problem on arrival at the fair or at any time during the fair must be removed from the fairgrounds immediately.

***Pens are available for use.** All pens must be cleaned out by the 4-H member before leaving. Please **indicate pens needed on your registration.** A superintendent will contact you to make arrangements.

Show Rules and Regulations

Member Eligibility

1. Refer to general rules for all Hunterdon County 4-H Exhibitors.
2. All project record books are to be checked by a club leader, who will verify that your record book is up-to-date by signing the leader verification box on entry form. **Record books are due to club leaders on or before August 1st.**
3. In order to enter the show ring, exhibitors should be neat, clean and appropriately attired. Farm and county names are not allowed on shirts. White shirts are required. White pants and shorts are preferred, but black is allowed.
4. In order to show, an exhibitor must participate in a showmanship class.
5. At check in have all registration papers, copies of lease forms and original health papers available.
6. All class registrations will close at the start of the first class of the show. Scratches from a class will be accepted at any time. No additions can be made.

Animal Eligibility

1. Horned animals are only permitted in the Market and Fiber classes.
2. 4-H Goat project members must have been owned or leased (Loaner Goats) as of

May 1 of the current year. *Kids born to an owned or leased animal can be shown even if born after May.

3. Loan a Goat forms need to be presented at time of check-in.
4. All wethers, except fiber breeds and companion goats will be judged as market animal.
5. If there are less than 5 animals of a dairy breed they will be shown with all other purebreds with the exception of Nigerian Dwarf. If there are 5 animals or less in any market breed division, they will be shown together. This includes all animals in classes 29-39.

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SHOWMANSHIP & FITTING CLASSES – 10 a.m.

Grade is based on grade completed not grade entering

1. Senior Showmanship - 9th – 13th grade
2. Senior Fitting - 9th – 13th grade

3. Junior Showmanship – 6th – 8th grade
4. Junior Fitting - 6th – 8th grade
5. *Novice Showmanship (see below)
6. *Novice Fitting (see below)
7. Pee Wee Showmanship – Pre K – 3rd grade

*Novice Showmanship is for grade 4-5 and any other member who is in their first year of the goat project. If a first year member is older than grade 5 and he or she should place first or second in the Novice Showmanship class, they will be ineligible for the Novice Round Robin.

* Classes may be combined if individual classes do not have a minimum number of entries.

Dairy Breeds including Alpine, LaMancha, Mini Nubian, Nigerian Dwarf, Nubian, Oberhasli, Saanen, Toggenburg, Grades (Recorded and Unrecorded) Does

Senior Doe Classes

8. Under 2 years in milk
9. 2 years and under 3 years
10. 3 years and under 5 years
11. 5 years and over
12. Senior Champion
13. Reserve Senior Champion
14. Best Senior Doe in Show – All Senior Champions of the day

***Note: Any doe that has freshened, even if she was not bred this year or is not currently in milk is entered in a Senior Doe Class**

Junior Doe Show

15. 0-4 Months (Doe Kids) born between April 21, 2024 and August 21, 2024
16. 4-8 Months (Doe Kids) born between December 21, 2023 and April 21, 2024

17. 8-12 Months (Doe Kids) born between August 21, 2023 and December 21, 2023
18. 12-24 Months (Doelings not in milk) born between August 21, 2023 and August 21, 2022

***Note: Any doe over 24 months that has never freshened will be shown in the appropriate aged Companion classes 48 and/or 49.**

19. Junior Champion
20. Reserve Junior Champion
21. Best Jr. Doe in Show – All Junior Champions of the day

Fiber Breeds

Angora, Cashmere and Pygora – Does and Wethers

Junior Classes

22. 0-4 months – born between April 21, 2024 and August 21, 2024
23. 4-8 months – born between December 21, 2023 and April 21, 2024
24. 8-12 months – born between August 21, 2023 and December 21, 2023

Senior Classes

25. 12-24 months born between August 21, 2023 and August 21, 2022
26. 2 years and under 3 years
27. 3 years and under 5 years
28. 5 years and over
29. Best of Breed– 1st place winner of each class.

Market Goats

Boer, Boer Cross, Myotonic, Savannah, Kiko, etc.

30. 0 up to 4 months - April 21, 2024- August 21, 2024
31. 4-8 months – born between December 21, 2023-April 21, 2024
32. 8 – 12 months born between August 21, 2023 - December 21, 2023
32. 12-24 Months born between August 21, 2023- August 21, 2022
33. 2 years and under 3 years
34. 3 years and under 5 years
35. 5 years and over
36. Best of Breed – 1st place winners of all classes of the day are eligible to compete for this award.

Pygmy

37. 0-4 months – born between April 21, 2024- August 21, 2024
38. 4-8 months – born between December 21, 2023- April 21, 2024
39. Over 8 months – born before December 21, 2023
40. Best of Breed– 1st place winners of all classes of the day are eligible to compete for this award.

Companion Goats - The State Companion goat scorecard will be used
See: <https://nj4h.rutgers.edu/goats/goatshow/>

Non-Market Wethers Companion Goat

41. 0 up to 4 months - born between April 21, 2024- August 21, 2024
42. 4-8 months – born between December 21, 2023- April 21, 2024
43. 8 – 12 months born between August 21, 2023 - December 21, 2023
44. 12-24 Months born between August 21, 2023- August 21, 2022
45. 2 years and under 3 years
46. 3 years and under 5 years
47. 5 years and over

Dairy Does that have never freshened Companion Goat

48. 2 years and under 5 years
49. Over 5 years
50. Best of Companion Goats

Specialty Classes

Note: Best Baby Doe and Dam & Daughter are open to Dairy, Fiber and Market Animals

51. Dam and Daughter (not necessarily owned by one member). If owned by different members please note and state who owns the other doe. Dam and daughter must be shown in their individual classes.

52. Working Goat Class – members must clearly identify whether the goat is a pack goat or harness goat. The member must identify to the judge the length of time the goat has been in training. The working animal must be able to react to commands and duties.

53. Best Udder - All does in milk are eligible. Does must be shown in their individual classes.

54. Adult Showmanship – all parents of 4-Hers are requested to enter this class.
First Place Jr. and Sr. Showman will judge this class.