

FFA MEAT GOAT DEPARTMENT

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SCHEDULE

Wednesday, August 18

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 19

Noon Market Meat Goat Show (Swine Barn - West Show Ring)

Friday, August 20

8:30 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 22

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

DEPARTMENT RULES

1. General rules, regulations and health requirements listed on the Iowa State Fair website and in the FFA section apply in this department, with special emphasis on the following sections: Member Eligibility, Supervision and Lodging, Good Conduct Policy, Medication and Drug Testing, and Showing and Fitting Ethics.
2. **Nominations must be submitted online on or before May 15.** Nomination fee is \$5 per head. A maximum of 30 meat goats may be nominated.
3. Meat goats must be owned by the nomination due date by the exhibitor, or in a partnership or a corporation. Ownership must be maintained from the nomination date through the exhibition date of the Iowa State Fair.
4. All meat goats must be identified at nomination time with either an official Iowa State Fair issued FFA tag or does may use recognized registry tattoo numbers (both ears). Yearling and aged does may use previously issued Iowa State Fair FFA tags or may use recognized registry tattoo numbers (both ears). All meat goats (market and breeding) must have hair samples collected at nomination time.
5. **Entries must be submitted online on or before July 1.** Entry fee is \$5 per head. Each exhibitor may enter four does, two bucks and four market animals. **Plan up to four animals per pen.**
6. Does shown as breeding cannot be shown as market.
7. **WEIGHT LIMIT.** Market meat goats must weigh a minimum of 50 pounds. Market goat classes will be divided by weight.
8. **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.
9. **HAIR.** All market meat goats 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 Fairgrounds. FFA members can be assisted by an immediate family member, fellow active Iowa FFA member and/or chapter advisor in grooming their goats. **All meat goats must arrive on the Fairgrounds clipped and show ready. No electric or battery operated clippers can be used on any FFA Meat Goat on the Fairgrounds.**
10. **PENS.** All meat goats must be penned in the assigned pens (adjustments may be made by show supervisors based on space).
11. FFA chapter signs may be placed above pens to attract people to FFA exhibitor pens. However, individual farm signs and advertising will not be permitted.
12. **BEDDING AND FEED. Shavings are preferred to be used in pens. Rubber mats are acceptable but must have a layer of bedding underneath. Carpeting is NOT ALLOWED.** You may bring your own bedding or there will be bedding available for purchase on the Fairgrounds. Bring your own feed and water buckets.
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 repercussions.
14. **NO-FIT SHOW.** No use of adhesives, paint, color, oils, other aerosols or powder products allowed. Exhibitors in violation will not be allowed to show.
15. No fresh tattoos accepted at check in.
16. Exhibitors are expected to care for their meat goats in an acceptable manner. **NO MUZZLES OF ANY KIND 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.
17. Drenching will not be allowed. There are quality assurance issues involved with this practice. If there are health concerns involved regarding dehydration, the State Fair Veterinarian should be contacted.
18. **DECLARED WEIGHTS.** A declared weight system will be used for official weights. A weight card obtained from the Superintendent's office must be filled out by all market goat exhibitors and turned in by the designated time. The weight turned in will become the official weight.
If weight cards are not turned in by the deadline, those animals will not be eligible to show in their respective shows.
Scales will be provided in areas throughout the barn; such scales are unofficial and are provided for exhibitors' convenience only. Official scales will be used by Superintendents to determine official weights. No other scales will be allowed.
The top two animals in each class will be weighed immediately following their class to determine if they are eligible to return for division champions. Goats not weighing within 5 pounds (+ or -) of its official weight will be disqualified. All market goats are subject to be selected to be weighed.
19. No drugs or medications or medical treatments of any kind may be administered except by the Official Iowa State Fair Veterinarian once an animal arrives on the Iowa State Fairgrounds. All animals are subject to random drug test.
20. **BRACING.** All goats should have four feet on the ground in the show ring. Excessive lifting feet off the ground or placing them on any support or

altered ring surface is not acceptable. Goats should have feet on the ground when being evaluated by the judge. Exhibitors will receive one warning if they are found lifting or slapping goats. Second offenses will result in automatic exhibitor disqualification from the FFA Meat Goat Show.

21. **PREMIUMS.** Monetary premiums will be paid to the top 3 entries in each class. Premiums paid will be \$20,,10, 5.
22. **RIBBONS.** A purple, blue, red or white ribbon will be awarded to each entry. Placing ribbons will be provided to the top ten places in each class. Rosettes will be awarded to Division Champions and Reserve Champions. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market will receive a trophy and banner. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Doe will receive a trophy and banner. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Buck will receive a trophy and banner. **Only purple and blue ribbon winners can be named champion of show/division/class.**
23. Showmanship - The judge will select outstanding showpersons throughout the Market and Breeding classes to compete in a final showmanship class at the conclusion of the shows. A Top Showperson will be selected in the Market and Breeding divisions.

MARKET MEAT GOATS - DIVISION 1

CLASS

- 1 Market Classes
Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Market Meat Goat

BREEDING MEAT DOES - DIVISION 2

CLASS

- 2 Does -- February, 2021 - May 15, 2021
- 3 Does -- November, 2020 - January, 2021
- 4 Does -- August, 2020 - October, 2020
Junior Division Champion & Junior Division Reserve Champion
- 5 Does -- April, 2020 - July, 2020
- 6 Does -- December, 2019 - March, 2020
- 7 Does -- August, 2019 - November, 2019
Yearling Division Champion & Yearling Division Reserve Champion
- 8 Does -- August, 2018 - July, 2019
- 9 Does -- before August, 2018
Senior Division Champion & Senior Division Reserve Champion
Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion

BREEDING MEAT BUCKS - DIVISION 3

CLASS

- 13 Bucks -- February, 2021 - May 15, 2021
- 14 Bucks -- November, 2020 - January, 2021
- 15 Bucks -- August, 2020 - October, 2020
Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion

CHAPTER AWARDS

THE SUPREME MARKET MEAT GOAT EXHIBITOR'S AWARD recognizes the cooperative efforts of a chapter. The banner/ribbons are awarded to the chapters with outstanding over-all exhibits of market meat goats. No entry form or entry fee will be required. The awards are based on a point system. A committee will tabulate the results during the progress of the show.

Chapter Award - Banner, 1st; Ribbons, 2nd through 10th place

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Chapter Award - Banner, 1st; Ribbons, 2nd through 10th place

FFA MEAT GOAT SPECIALS

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

Hummel Livestock will award a Hummel Brahma Webb Goat Halter to the division winners (Breeding, Market) in FFA Meat Goat Showmanship.

The Third Overall FFA Breeding Meat Goat will be awarded a banner by **Riverbend Club Goats - Gavin Meyer.**

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