

**2025 SUMTER FAIR ASSOCIATION**  
**YOUTH OPEN BREEDING GOAT SHOW RULES AND REGULATIONS**

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**PURPOSE:**

THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THE SUMTER FAIR ASSOCIATION YOUTH GOAT SHOW IS TO PROVIDE A MEANS TO PROMOTE THE ANIMAL INDUSTRY IN FLORIDA. FURTHERMORE, THIS IS AN EDUCATIONAL PROJECT FOR YOUTH. THIS SHOW PROVIDES YOUTH WITH A MEANS TO GAIN RECOGNITION FOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE DAIRY AND MEAT GOAT PROJECTS.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

1. ONLY A BONA-FIDE 4-H OR FFA MEMBER, WHO IS AT LEAST 8 YEARS OF AGE AS OF SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> AND IS ENROLLED IN A FLORIDA RECOGNIZED SCHOOL IS ELIGIBLE. YOUTH MUST NOT HAVE COMPLETED THE 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE.
2. ANIMALS THAT CANNOT BE MANAGED PROPERLY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.
3. NO BUCKS PERMITTED.
4. GOATS MUST BE IN SHOW SHAPE UPON ARRIVAL AT THE FAIR.

**SCHEDULE:**

**DAIRY AND PYGMY GOAT CHECK-IN IS FROM 7AM-9AM. ON SATURDAY MARCH 1, 2025.**

**MEAT GOAT CHECK-IN IS FROM 10 A.M.-12 P.M. ON SATURDAY MARCH 1, 2025.**

**THE GOAT SHOW WILL BEGIN AT 10:00 AM ON SATURDAY MARCH 1, 2025.**

**ENTRIES:**

1. THERE WILL BE NO MAXIMUM NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR.
2. \$30.00 ENTRY FEE WITH A \$10.00 ENTRY FEE FOR SHOWMANSHIP.
3. USE A SEPARATE ENTRY FORM FOR EACH EXHIBITOR.
4. ALL INFORMATION AND SIGNATURES MUST BE COMPLETED ON ENTRY FORM.
5. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ON COMPLETED ONLINE AND MUST BE RECEIVED BY **FEBRUARY 26, 2025**, ALONG WITH ENTRY FEE TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR SHOWMANSHIP.
6. ONLINE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AT CHECK-IN. HOWEVER, A \$50.00 LATE FEE WILL BE APPLIED. LATE FEE IS DUE IN CASH.
7. EACH ANIMAL ENTERED IN THE SHOW MUST HAVE THE CORRECT BIRTH DATE ON THEIR ENTRY FORM.
8. ANIMALS MUST BE SHOWN IN THEIR RESPECTIVE DIVISION AND CLASSES. EXHIBITOR THAT HAS BEEN INCORRECTLY ENTERED MAY, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE SHOW COMMITTEE, MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO THEIR PROPER DIVISION/CLASSES PRIOR TO THE START OF THE SHOW.

**HEALTH REGULATIONS:**

1. ALL ANIMALS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN OFFICIAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE, PERMANENT IDENTIFICATION AND FREE OF EVIDENCE OF DISEASE. THE OFFICIAL USDA SCRAPIE EAR TAG IS REQUIRED AND WILL BE INSPECTED UPON ARRIVAL.
2. THERE WILL BE NO VET CHECK AT THE SHOW.

**ETHICAL TREATMENT:**

ALL ANIMALS MUST BE TREATED IN AN ETHICAL AND HUMANE MANNER. ALL ANIMALS MUST BE SHOWN IN THEIR NATURAL CONFORMATION AND STRUCTURE WITHOUT ALTERCATION. GROOMING, TREATMENT OF HAIR & TRIMMING OF THE HOOVES ARE ACCEPTED. ANY VIOLATION MAY RESULT IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF THE ANIMAL AND THE EXHIBITOR.

### **GENERAL:**

1. THE OWNER/EXHIBITOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CARE AND CLEAN-UP OF HIS/HER OWN ANIMALS. ALL EXHIBITORS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE THEIR STALL/TRAILER AREA CLEAN BEFORE LEAVING THE GROUNDS. IN ORDER TO RECEIVE PREMIUM MONEY, THE STALLS OR TRAILER AREAS MUST BE CHECKED OUT BY THE SHOW CHAIRMAN.
2. DUE TO THE EXCESSIVE DEMAND ON THE ELECTRICAL OUTLETS, GENERATORS ARE WELCOME TO BE USED OUTSIDE.
3. EXHIBITORS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY OF THEIR ANIMAL UPON ENTERING THE FAIRGROUNDS.
4. ALL ANIMALS SHOULD BE RESTRICTED WITH A HALTER AND UNDER THE CONTROL OF THEIR EXHIBITOR BEFORE AND AFTER THE SHOW.
5. THE EXHIBITOR IS REQUIRED TO WEAR PANTS, COLLARED SHIRTS, CLOSED TOED SHOES.
6. ONLY ONE ENTRY ARMBAND FOR EXHIBITOR. PARENTS OR GUARDIANS WILL NOT RECEIVE A PASS. **PASSES CAN BE PRE-PURCHASED DURING REGISTRATION, ONLINE AT SUMTERFAIR.NET, OR AT THE GATE AT THE TIME OF CHECK-IN. DAY PASSES FOR ADULT 12 & UP ARE \$10.00, KIDS 6-11 YEARS, SENIORS, & MILITARY ARE \$7.00. WEEKLONG PASSES ARE \$45.00, 5 AND UNDER ARE FREE.**
7. SHAVINGS FOR THE STALLS ARE NOT PROVIDED. EXHIBITORS MUST BRING THEIR OWN SHAVINGS.
8. DISQUALIFIED EXHIBITORS AND/OR ANIMALS WILL NOT RECEIVE REFUNDS FOR ENTRIES OR PASSES.
9. EACH EXHIBITOR/OWNER ASSUMES ALL LIABILITY IN CASE OF DEATH OR INJURY TO HS/HER ANIMAL AND ANY INJURY, DAMAGE OR DEATH INCURRED BY HIS/HER ANIMAL. THE SUMTER FAIR ASSOCIATION AND OR ITS DIRECTORS WILL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE OR LIABLE FOR ANY INJURY OR LOSS TO HUMAN, ANIMAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY.

### **JUDGING:**

1. THE SHOW COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DIVIDE OR COMBINE CLASSES BASED ON THE NUMBER OF ENTRIES.
2. ALL PREMIUM MONIES WILL BE PAID TO THE EXHIBITOR DESIGNATED ON THE ENTRY FORM.
3. HORNED ANIMALS WILL BE ALLOWED PROVIDED THE GOAT IS NOT UNRULY OR ABUSIVE.
4. MEAT, DAIRY, AND PYGMY GOATS ARE IN THREE SEPARATE SHOWS AND SHALL NOT COMPETE AGAINST ONE ANOTHER. MEAT GOATS AND PYGMY GOATS WILL COMPETE IN THE SAME SHOWMANSHIP DIVISION.
5. A GOAT MAY NOT BE SHOWN IN MULTIPLE SHOWS.
6. NO BUCKS ALLOWED.
7. GOAT MUST BE SHOW GROOMED.
8. THE BEST OF SUMTER COUNTY CLASS ARE FOR SUMTER COUNTY EXHIBITORS ONLY. THE HIGHEST PLACING SUMTER COUNTY ANIMAL FROM EACH CLASS WILL COMPETE FOR THIS AWARD.
9. ALL ANIMALS WILL BE JUDGED USING THE DANISH SYSTEM AND WILL RECEIVE PREMIUMS.
10. THE JUDGE'S DECISION IS FINAL.

### **SHOWMANSHIP: EXHIBITORS AGE AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2024**

1. ALL EXHIBITORS MUST SHOW THEIR OWN ANIMAL. ANY EXHIBITOR FOUND SHOWING ANOTHER EXHIBITORS ANIMAL OR LOANING THEIR ANIMAL FOR SHOWMANSHIP WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AND THE PLACINGS/PREMIUMS WILL BE FORFEITED.
2. ALL SHOWMANSHIP ANIMALS MUST BE ENTERED IN A JUDGED CLASS.
3. SENIOR SHOWMANSHIP (14 & UP)
4. INTERMEDIATE SHOWMANSHIP (11-13)
5. JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP (8-10)

## **GOAT SHOW ORDER**

### **YOUTH DAIRY GOAT SHOW**

#### **SHOWMANSHIP**

SENIOR  
INTERMEDIATE  
JUNIOR

#### **JUNIOR DAIRY GOAT CLASSES**

JUNIOR DOE CLASSES - ANY DOE UNDER TWENTY-FOUR MONTHS THAT HAS NEVER FRESHENED.  
JUNIOR DOE KIDS UNDER 6 MONTHS  
SENIOR DOE KIDS 6 – 11 MONTHS  
JUNIOR DOELINGS 12 -17 MONTHS  
SENIOR DOELINGS 18 –23 MONTHS  
GRAND DRIVE

#### **SENIOR DAIRY GOAT CLASSES**

SENIOR DOE CLASSES - ANY DOE THAT HAS FRESHENED OR THAT IS BEING MILKED REGULARLY INCLUDING DRY PRECOCIOUS MILKERS.  
MILKERS UNDER 2 YEARS  
MILKERS 2 YEARS TO UNDER 3 YEARS  
MILKERS 3 YEARS TO UNDER 5 YEARS  
MILKERS 5 YEARS AND OLDER  
GRAND DRIVE  
BEST OF SUMTER COUNTY DAIRY GOAT

## **PYGMY AND MEAT GOAT SHOW ORDER**

#### **SHOWMANSHIP**

SENIOR  
INTERMEDIATE  
JUNIOR

#### **PYGMY DOE CLASSES**

DOELINGS 0-6 MONTH  
DOELINGS 6-12 MONTHS  
JUNIOR DOES 12-18 MONTHS  
SENIOR DOES 18-24 MONTHS  
SENIOR DOES 24 & OVER  
GRAND DRIVE

#### **PYGMY WETHER CLASSES**

0-UNDER 12 MONTHS  
12- UNDER 18 MONTHS  
18- 24 MONTHS  
24 MONTHS & OVER  
GRAND DRIVE  
BEST SUMTER COUNTY PYGMY GOAT

#### **MEAT DOE CLASSES**

DOELINGS 0-3 MONTHS  
DOELINGS 4-7 MONTHS  
DOELINGS 8-12 MONTHS  
JUNIOR DOES 13-23 MONTHS

SENIOR DOES 24 MONTHS & OVER  
GRAND DRIVE

**MEAT WETHER CLASSES (WILL BE DIVIDED BY WEIGHT)**

WETHERS – UNDER 35 POUNDS  
WETHERS – 35-50 POUNDS  
WETHERS – 51-75 POUNDS  
WETHERS- 76 -100 POUNDS  
WETHERS- OVER 100 POUNDS  
GRAND DRIVE  
BEST OF SUMTER COUNTY MEAT GOAT

**PREMIUM PAYOUTS/AWARDS**

THERE WILL BE 100% PAYOUT FOR SHOWMANSHIP TO THE TOP 3 EXHIBITORS IN EACH DIVISION.

**CLASS PAYOUTS**

BLUE RIBBON=\$50.00  
RED RIBBON=\$30.00  
WHITE RIBBON=\$20.00

SENIOR SHOWMANSHIP  
INTERMEDIATE SHOWMANSHIP  
JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP  
GRAND CHAMPION JUNIOR DAIRY DOE  
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION JUNIOR DAIRY DOE  
GRAND CHAMPION SENIOR DAIRY DOE  
RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR DAIRY DOE  
BEST OF SUMTER COUNTY DAIRY GOAT  
GRAND CHAMPION PYGMY GOAT  
RESERVE CHAMPION PYGMY GOAT  
GRAND CHAMPION PYGMY WETHER  
RESERVE CHAMPION PYGMY WETHER  
BEST SUMTER COUNTY PYGMY GOAT  
GRAND CHAMPION MEAT DOE  
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MEAT DOE  
GRAND CHAMPION MEAT WETHER  
RESERVE CHAMPION MEAT WETHER  
BEST OF SUMTER COUNTY MEAT GOAT

**EVERY REASONABLE ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO PROVIDE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR ANIMALS AND EXHIBITORS. THE SUMTER FAIR ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS, VOLUNTEERS, AND STAFF WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ACCIDENTS OR INJURIES THAT OCCUR WHILE IN TRANSIT OR WHILE AT THE FAIR OR ANY VENUE BEING USED BY THE FAIR ASSOCIATION FOR A FAIR EVENT. EXHIBITORS OR GUARDIANS AGREE TO HOLD AND INDEMNIFY SUMTER FAIR ASSOCIATION AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES, AND VOLUNTEERS HARMLESS FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY ARISING OUT OF EXHIBITOR'S USE OF FACILITIES, INCLUDING INJURY OR DAMAGE TO EXHIBITOR/ OR ANIMAL OR ANY PARTICIPANT AND PUBLIC. THE SUMTER FAIR ASSOCIATION WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOST OR DAMAGED PERSONAL ITEMS.**