DEPARTMENT 526 - JUNIOR UTILITY GOATS

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Show Information   **Barn A/Indoor Arena**

Animal Arrival Begins: **Tuesday, August 6, 9:00 am**
Check In: **Tuesday, August 6, 9:00 – noon**
Back Numbers and day of show check in   **Wednesday, August 7, 8:30 am – indoor arena**
Showmanship: **Wednesday, August 7, 9:00 am**
Conformation Classes: **Wednesday, August 7 after showmanship**
Baby Obedience, Cart, Obstacle Classes: Wednesday, August 7 after conformation
All Goat Costume Class: **Friday, August 9, 4:00 pm**
Awards: **Friday, August 9, 11:00AM**
Early Release: **Saturday, August 10 at 7:00-8:00AM**
Final Release: **Sunday, August 11, 5:00 – 7:00 pm**

> This department is subject to all BCF General Rules, General Exhibitor Rules and all Junior Exhibitor Livestock and Animal Division Rules in addition to those listed for the department.

GENERAL:

1. Goats will arrive on Tuesday, August 6th between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm and will be housed in Barn A.

2. The Utility Goat Show will be held on Wednesday, August 7th in the indoor arena.

3. The All-Goat Costume class will be held Friday, August 9th at 4:00 pm. .

2. Exhibitors should wear a clean shirt, black or blue jeans and closed toe shoes or boots.

3. Classes may be combined or divided, and class order may be changed at the discretion of the Superintendent and/or the judge.

4. Barn A will be closed daily, to the public and exhibitors, from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. for the safety and welfare of livestock and exhibitors while at the fair.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. Only exhibitors enrolled in the 4-H or FFA Utility Goat project are eligible to enter classes under Department 526.

2. Each individual goat may only be used as a project goat in one project. For instance, if an exhibitor owns two dairy goats, he/she can show one as his/her dairy goat project goat and one as his/her utility goat project goat, but the same goat cannot be entered in both departments.

3. All goat breeds are welcome to participate in the Utility Goat Show.

3. Any wether OR doe of any age can exhibit at the Boulder County Fair as a Utility Goat, but only

goats over 6 months of age may be entered in the obstacle course/utility (#11-13). Goats younger than 6 months will have the opportunity to participate in a baby obedience class (#8-9) in place of the obstacle course class.

4. Registered animals are not required; if goats are registered, they must be in the exhibitor's name or show other documentation

5. All goats must have an official USDA Scrapie Eradication Program Identification tag with the following exception: Registered goats may use a legible registration tattoo or microchip (EIDs) with registration numbers in place of the scrapies tag. Registration papers must be provided for verification. Illegible tattoos or non-readable microchips must be replaced with a scrapies tag.

6. Utility goats entered in the Boulder County Fair must have been previously identified by April 25th of the current year using the Animal Identification form and uploaded on 4-HOnline enrollment or through their FFA advisor. This form must be on file at the Boulder County Extension Office by the posted deadlines each year (April 25, 2024). By submitting this form, the member is declaring they have ownership of the animal and are providing primary care of their 4-H project. The only exception is for babies born after April 25th, in which case the dam must have been owned by the exhibitor by April 25th. See Rule 6.a.

    a.   For utility goats born after April 25th, the member will need to provide a hard copy printed animal identification form with updates to the Extension office and FFA advisor as they are completed. All animals planned to be shown at the Boulder County Fair must have forms completed and turned in prior to July 11th. The members must own the dam as of April 25th, of the current year and listed as their project animal on the animal identification form provided by April 25th.

7. Horned goats must have their horns tipped or shown with tennis balls on the tips.

PREMIUMS:

Superintendents have the right to use their discretion to hold or refuse prize money.

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
$5.00	$4.00	$3.00	$2.00	$1.00

ENTRY:

Enter by Department and Class Number. For example, if an exhibitor had a Nigerian Dwarf Utility Goat over 1 year of age they want to show in Conformation, they would enter Department 526, Class 5.

UTILITY GOAT SHOWMANSHIP Open to all goat breeds. Exhibitor/Goats must be enrolled in the Utility Goat Project in department 526. First and second place winners will be invited to participate in the Small Animal Round Robin on Saturday, August 10th. **TO ENTER GO TO DEPARTMENT 1000, SHOWMANSHIP DEPARTMENT**
CLASS #:
    SHOW17. Junior Utility Goat Showmanship Exhibitor (Ages 8 – 10yrs.)
    SHOW18. Intermediate Utility Goat Showmanship Exhibitor (Ages 11 – 13 yrs.)

* Novice Exhibitors who are in their first year showing in Dairy or Utility goats will have a chance to show before the Junior Class of Dairy showmanship on the dairy show day. Registration for Novice will be at the check in.

* Pee Wees will have a chance to show before the Junior class and can sign in the day of the show.

UTILITY GOAT CONFORMATION: All goat breeds - Wethers and does of any age are eligible to show in Utility Goat classes. Exhibitors/Goats must be enrolled in the Utility Goat Project.

Judge will consider the conformation of the goat in terms of the breed standards as well as how they would serve as a successful pack or cart animal. Utility goats should be strong and agile, suitable for hiking, packing, or driving.

CLASS #:
4. Large Dairy and Meat Goat Breeds - 1 year and older *
   (Full-Size Dairy Goat breeds, Boers, Fainting Goat wethers)
5. Small Dairy and Meat Goat Breeds - 1 year and older *
   (Minis, Nigerian Dwarfs, Fainting Goat does)
6. Pygmy and Fiber Goats – 1 year and older *
7. Combined Junior Wether or Doe class - under 1 year old *
   (All breeds combined)

UTILITY GOAT BABY OBEDIENCE CLASS (for goats under 6 months of age)
Any breed of goat under 6 months of age may enter this class. Goats will be expected to be able to lead quietly without being dragged or carried, to stand for inspection, and to trot from point A to point B without being dragged.

CLASS #:
8. Younger Kids: (born May 15, 2024 or later)
9. Older Kids: (born February 7 – May 14, 2024)

CLASS # 10: UTILITY GOAT CART CLASS: All goat breeds are eligible to exhibit in this class. A single goat or pair may pull (not drive) a cart or buggy. Animals must be handled unassisted by the exhibitor. No coaching or assistance is allowed. No riders in the cart. The judge may ask questions about equipment, parts, or request some type of pattern, etc.

UTILITY GOAT OBSTACLE COURSE - For Utility Project goats over the age of 6 months ONLY:
The exhibitor and animal shall be judged as a team. The exhibitor will be judged on how well they

lead the animal and how they fit the pack on the animal. The animal will be judged on its willingness, calmness and attitude toward unfamiliar situations and the pack that it carries. The exhibitor shall put on soft packs in the ring without help or coaching. If hard packs are being used, the exhibitor/goat team may enter the ring with their pack on. The equipment shall be properly sized and adjusted to the animals and shall be appropriate for goat packing.

The exhibitor should know the proper names of the parts of the equipment they are using. The judge may ask questions about equipment, parts, etc. Goats will be shown individually in the ring. A trail course will be posted prior to the class.

There will be a maximum of three tries per obstacle. If the exhibitor has three refusals on an obstacle they must move on.

CLASS #:

11. Utility Goat Obstacle Course, Junior Exhibitor (Ages 8 – 10 yrs.)
12. Utility Goat Obstacle Course, Intermediate Exhibitor (Ages 11 – 13 yrs.)
13. Utility Goat Obstacle Course, Senior Exhibitor (Ages 14 – 18 yrs.)

DAIRY & UTILITY GOAT DEPARTMENT SPECIAL CONTESTS/AWARDS:
(No pre-entry required, sign up at check-in.)

Junior Dairy & Utility Goat Herdsmanship Award:

To encourage neat and attractive exhibits, an award will be given to one outstanding herdsman. Herdsmanship is the responsibility of the exhibitor ONLY. Exhibitors are expected to feed, water, bed and care for their animals and keep their pen area orderly, neat, and clean. Inspections will be made periodically while the dairy goats are at the fair. Someone other than the dairy goat team will do judging.

The following criteria may be used:

• Sportsmanship
• Cleanliness of pens
• Cleanliness of animals
• Neatness of aisle in front of pens
• Promptness in entering show ring
• Courteous at all times
• Regularity of feeding and watering
• Respect and care of facilities
• Presentation of information to the public

4-H/FFA Dairy & Utility Goat Educational Poster Contest:
1. Pre-entry is not required. Entries are due at goat check-in.
2. Poster size must be standard poster board 22" x 28", either white or colored.
3. Poster content to be any information regarding dairy goats that would be educational in nature

and dealing with any subject that represents dairy & utility goats in a positive way.

4. Entries must be labeled with exhibitor's name, 4-H club and age on the back of poster, do NOT put any personal information on the front of the poster.

5. There will be two age classes: 8-12 & 13-18.

6. Prizes will be awarded to all participants.

All Goat Costume Class

1. Costume Class is open to everyone. Wethers and does of any age and any breed, and any age youth may enter.

3. Goats and Exhibitors should be in costumes with a common theme.

4. Costume design is left up to the originality of the exhibitor.

5. Ribbon or prize will be awarded to everyone.