

# GOATS (DAIRY, OTHER/EXOTIC & MEAT GOATS) Department 5

## Check-In

Wednesday, 4 - 8 p.m., Pavilion 2 - near Door 19

## Market Class Weigh-In for show

Wednesday, 5 - 7 p.m., Pavilion 2 - near Door 19

## Judging

Friday, 9 a.m., Pavilion 2 - Showing B, Conference - Danish Judging

## Department Chairperson

Ben Amara - (608) 843-5250

## Eligible 4-H Project Areas

Animal Sciences - Dairy Goat, Meat Goat, Pygmy Goat

All exhibitors **MUST** enter Showmanship in the species they exhibit at the DCF. Exhibitors who are not entered in showmanship will automatically be entered prior to the Fair. If an exhibitor does not wish to participate in showmanship, they can scratch on-site at the Fair.

All goat exhibitors must meet YQCA requirements. Youth must complete a training program each year by either attending an in-person session or completing an online course. Visit <https://www.danecountyfair.com/p/youth-exhibitors/education-requirements--opportunities/livestock-departments> for more information. **Exhibitors must also attend one additional dairy goat educational qualifying meeting/event. A copy of the dairy goat education requirement form must be on file with the Fair Office by June 1. \*\*NEW THIS YEAR\*\* Youth must provide YQCA Certificate number and Education Card uploaded in FairEntry by June 1, with entry submission.** Should you have any questions on what events qualify or to confirm you have met the stated requirements, contact the Dane County Fair Entries at [entries.danecountyfair@gmail.com](mailto:entries.danecountyfair@gmail.com). NO exceptions will be made.

## Regulations

1. All Exhibitors must read and adhere to the Youth Animal Exhibitor Code of Practice as stated on page 13.
2. All goat exhibits must be in place by 8 p.m. on Wednesday.
3. **Pens will be assigned by the Chair/Superintendents.**
4. Wisconsin-origin goats moving within the state of Wisconsin do not require a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. Animal's official ID must be provided at time of entry. Official ID includes: Scrapie ear tags; USDA 840 ear tags; legible breed tattoos; legible scrapie tattoos; and approved microchips (Electronic Identification/EID). Scrapie Flock ID numbers will also be recorded. See DATCP health regulations on page 8 for additional information. **Animals will be checked, and ID must match entry submission report upon arrival at the Fair.**
5. **\*\*NEW THIS YEAR\*\*** All goats must be owned on or before May 1 of exhibit year. Market goats will be tagged on May 2, 2026 at the Stoughton Fairgrounds from 9 - 11 a.m. Exhibitors may tag up to 3 goats and must bring goat(s) to tag pick up. Market goats must have attached scrapie tags by May 1, 2026.
6. All Lots will be judged on the Danish System, except Lots for Breeders Improvement and Produce of Dam which will be regular judging.
7. All animals must be provided with a collar.
8. Exhibitors are limited to a total of 10 animals – 5 Meat and/or 5 Dairy in the department with not more than three (3) wethers or does in the Market Lot animals.

9. Exhibitors showing goats on a Managerial basis are limited to 5 animals. Managerial exhibitors can show three (3) wethers, but also must exhibit in a breed class. Only one (1) wether may be sold. Managerial animals are defined as animals that are under the care of, but not owned by the exhibitor.
10. **\*\*NEW THIS YEAR\*\***All animals must be body clipped prior to check-in at the Fair. Meat Goats can be clipped according to breed standards. Any animal whose natural hair color (on the body proper) has been altered in any way will be disqualified. Body framing, washing, and blowing out is allowed prior to the show is allowed.
11. **\*\*NEW THIS YEAR\*\*** All animals must be presentable upon arrival for potential veterinary inspection and comply with health and ID regulations. Animals with illness or have an abscess must stay home and not exhibit at the Fair. At the discretion of the Department Chair and Fair Veterinarian, animals deemed ill, exhibiting an abscess, etc. will be sent home.
12. **All exhibitors** are responsible for the general housekeeping and clean-up in their area. Livestock exhibitors must clean-up after their animals and regularly dispose of waste in an appropriate manner.
13. Exhibitors must furnish their own feed, bedding and equipment.
14. Goats with full natural horns may **NOT** be entered **unless** full natural horns are a standard for a specific breed.
15. Bucks are not to be shown.
16. **Dairy/Other Goat** - Wethers are also not to be shown.
17. **Base Dates:**

Junior Kid - May 1 or later of exhibit year

Intermediate Kid - March 1 - April 30 of exhibit year

Senior Kid - January 1 - February 28 of exhibit year

Junior Yrlg - At least 7 months but under 12 months of age

Senior Yearling - At least 12 months but under 24 months of age (Not in milk.)

<u>Premiums</u>	<u>Blue</u>	<u>Red</u>	<u>White</u>	<u>Pink</u>
Classes A, C, E	\$3.00	\$2.50	\$2.00	\$1.50
Classes B, D, F-H	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00	\$2.00
Class I	\$3.00	\$2.00	\$1.50	\$1.00

## **CLASS A. Dairy Goat Showmanship**

(pre-entry required)

- 1) Senior - Grades 9+  
(*Champion eligible for Master Showman Contest*)
- 2) Intermediate - Grades 6 - 8
- 3) Junior - Grades 3 - 5

## **CLASS B. Dairy Goat Breeding**

**Seniors:** must have freshened including dry milkers. Junior Yearling and Senior Yearling in milk will show with Seniors under Age 2 in Lot 1.

- 1) Under age 2
- 2) Age 2 and under age 3
- 3) Age 3 and under age 4
- 4) Age 4 and under age 5
- 5) Aged Doe

**Juniors:** must NEVER have freshened

- 6) Junior Kid
- 7) Intermediate Kid
- 8) Senior Kid
- 9) Junior Yearling
- 10) Senior Yearling

## **CLASS C. Other Goats Showmanship**

(pre-entry required)

- 1) Senior - Grades 9+ (*Not eligible for Master Showman Contest*)
- 2) Intermediate - Grades 6 - 8
- 3) Junior - Grades 3 - 5

### **CLASS D. Other Goat Breeds**

- 1) Angora goat - junior (not-freshened)
- 2) Angora goat - senior (must have freshened)
- 3) Pygmy goat - junior (not-freshened)
- 4) Pygmy goat - senior (must have freshened)
- 5) Any other non-dairy/meat goat - junior (not-freshened)
- 6) Any other non-dairy/meat goat - senior (must have freshened)
- 7) Non-dairy/meat goat mother/daughter

### **CLASS E. Meat Goat Showmanship**

(pre-entry required)

- 1) Senior - Grades 9+  
(*Champion eligible for Master Showman Contest*)
- 2) Intermediate - Grades 6 - 8
- 3) Junior - Grades 3 - 5

### **CLASS F. Meat Goat Breeding**

- 1) 0-3 Months Doe
- 2) 3-6 Months Doe
- 3) 6-9 Months Doe
- 4) 9-12 Months Doe
- 5) 12-24 Months Doe
- 6) 24 Months and over Doe

### **CLASS G. Market Goats**

#### **Regulations**

1. Market Goats must be one year or less in age (all milk teeth present).
2. Exhibitor may show up to three (3) animals in Market Lots.
3. Wethers or does may be entered in the market class. No bucks.
4. Goats entered in Market Class cannot be shown in any of the Breeding Lots in Class D & F.

#### **Lots:**

- 1) Market Goat - minimum 60 lbs and then sorted by weight

### **CLASS H. Groups**

- 1) Breeders Improvement - To consist of a single entry of a dam and daughter. Judge will ask exhibitor about his/her breeding goals and if he/she has achieved them.
- 2) Produce of Dam - To consist of two animals of any age, produce of one dam. Both animals need not be owned by same exhibitor. Produce considered as a single entry.
- 3) Exhibitor's Herd - To consist of 3 does all owned by 1 exhibitor. One doe - age 2 and over; one doe - age 1 and under 2, and one doe under 1 year.

### **CLASS I. Clean Barn Exhibit**

#### ***CLUB/CHAPTER ENTRY ONLY***

#### **Regulations**

Awarded on a Club basis. Will be judged all during the Fair on the following (entry by club only):

1. Cleanliness and neatness of the exhibit.
2. Attractiveness of feed, bedding and equipment storage.
3. The regular disposal of waste.
4. The cleanliness and neatness of aisles.
5. Safety and courtesy of club members to each other, leaders, superintendents, judges and spectators.
6. Added consideration will be given to clubs and chapters with identification cards and award stickers posted.

#### **Lot:**

- 1) Clean Barn Exhibit.

#### **Special Awards and Sponsorships**

**Miller & Sons Supermarket** - All ribbons. Award to Champion and rosette to Reserve Champion in each division

# Little Kid (Goats) Show

## When

Friday, July 17 - 1:30 p.m.

## Where

Pavilion 2 - Showring B

## Who

Youth, 4 years through 2nd grade

Little Kids must be escorted by a Dane County Fair Youth Exhibitor and may exhibit any goat breed. Goats must be haltered and be borrowed with permission from a Dane County Fair exhibitor and shown in the Goat show.

Entry form and Contest details can be found on the Dane County Fair Website under Youth Exhibitors. See Premium Book - Goats (Dept 5)