

TROPHY: See Knox County Trophy and Award List

DAIRY IDENTIFICATION - Dairy animals must be identified by photograph, a sketch or by ear tattoo/tag on the ownership affidavit and due in the Extension Office by June 15. Each animal must have been raised or purchased by the club member before the animal has reached the age of three years.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR - A 4-H member is limited to three dairy animals. If the three qualify as a herd, they may be entered and shown in the Herd Class.

JUNIOR DAIRY HERD - Exhibitors who have made entry in the Junior Dairy Herd class must present their records (as indicated in the Dairy Production Class description) to verify production to the show superintendent when animals are checked in.

DAIRY BREEDS - (Registered and Grades Will Show Together) - Breeds include: AYRSHIRE, BROWN SWISS, GUERNSEYS, HOLSTEINS, JERSEY, MILKING SHORTHORN, and CROSSBRED.

DAIRY CLASSES

Spring Calves (3/1/24 to 4/30/24)	Fall Yearlings (9/1/22 to 11/30/22)
Winter Calves (12/1/23 to 2/28/24)	Dry Cow Any Age
Fall Calves (9/1/23 to 11/30/23)	Two Year Olds must have freshened (9/1/21 to 8/31/22)
Summer Yearlings (6/1/23 to 8/31/23)	Three Year Olds (9/1/20 to 8/31/21)
Spring Yearlings (3/1/23 to 5/31/23)	Four Year Olds (9/1/19 to 8/31/20)
Winter Yearlings (12/1/22 to 2/28/23)	Five+ Year Olds (Prior to 9/1/19)

DAIRY HERD

PREMIUMS: Purple: \$10.00; Blue: \$8.00; Red: \$6.00; White: \$4.00

Exhibitors in the Dairy Herd class will enter three females. At least one of the three must be a cow that has freshened and has been fresh long enough to have a projected 305-day M.E. or most recent 305-day lactation if no M.E. is available. All animals must be owned by the exhibitor and the same breed. These must be pre-entered as a herd to qualify. **IF THEY ARE NOT, THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SHOW AS A HERD.** Production records to be used for scoring in the Dairy Herd must meet the same criteria as those listed for Dairy Production Awards. No exceptions will be made. Herds will be scored and awarded ribbons on the basis of the current Dairy Herd Score Card. Crossbred animals are not eligible for dairy herd awards.

GOAT DIVISION

GENERAL RULES - See Livestock/Animal General Rules.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS - See Livestock/Animal General Rules.

GROOMING RULES - See Livestock/Animal General Rules.

YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA) - All 4-H youth enrolled in livestock projects are required to complete annual quality assurance training through YQCA.

ARRIVAL TIME – All goats (dairy, meat, and companion) must check-in between 9:00 am to 11:00 am on entry day, Thursday, August 8 and stay the entire fair.

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BEST DRESSED GOAT CLASS

PREMIUMS: First, \$2.00; All Others-Participation, \$1.00

This class is open to all Dairy Goats, Meat Goats and Companion Goats. This includes goats of any age or breed, wether or doe. The class is for fun - exhibitors are encouraged to use their imagination to design a costume for their 4-H Goat. The attire should emphasize the personality of the animal. Limit of one entry per exhibitor.

DAIRY GOAT

PREMIUMS: Purple, \$6.00; Blue, \$4.50; Red, \$3.00; White, \$2.00.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR: Four Dairy Goats

TROPHIES: See Knox County Trophy and Award List

IDENTIFICATION: Dairy Goats must have an official USDA scrapie identification tag and be identified on the ownership affidavit form and due in the Extension Office by June 15.

JUNIOR HERD - Will consist of 3 animals, one must be bred by exhibitor and one must be in milk.

DAIRY GOAT BREEDS: ALPINE, LAMANCHA, NUBIAN, OBERHASLI, RECORDED GRADE, SAANENS, and TOGGENBURG.

DAIRY GOAT CLASSES (All Breeds)

- Under 5 months
- 5 months to 8 months
- 8 months to 1 year
- 1 year to 2 years - Non-milking Doe
- Under 2 years-Milking Doe
- 2 and 3 years old - Milking Doe
- 4 years and older-Milking Doe
- Junior Herd

MEAT GOAT

IDENTIFICATION: To be eligible to show, the club member must have cared for the market and breeding goat starting no later than June 15 of current year. All meat goats must be tagged with a USDA official scrapie ID and be recorded on the ownership affidavit due in the Extension Office by June 15.

SHOWING AND HANDLING PRACTICES: The use of showing and/or handling practices that may be considered objectionable or abusive, such as striking or slapping goats and exhibiting the goat with its front feet off the ground, are not acceptable. Goats may be braced but must have all four feet on the ground. The use of such practices may result in the lowering of a ribbon placing. (Lifting the goat in a fluid motion to set the front legs prior to quickly setting the feet back on the ground is acceptable.)

NECK CHAINS & HALTERS: Goats are to be shown with either a halter, smooth neck chain or smooth collar only. Pronged collars are not acceptable and will result in the lowering of a ribbon placing.

HORNS: Blunting, tipping, and dehorning is permitted. Registered does may have horns per ABGA Breed Standards.

IDENTIFICATION FOR STATE FAIR FOR MEAT GOATS and REGISTERED BREEDING DOES: Refer to the Nebraska Sate Fairbook.

MARKET MEAT GOAT

PREMIUMS: Purple, \$6.00; Blue, \$4.50; Red, \$3.00; White, \$2.00.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR: Four Market Meat Goats

TROPHIES: See Knox County Trophy and Award List

MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT: All market goats are required to be born on or after December 1, 2023. Market goats are to have milk teeth and there shall be no evidence of breaking of the skin or eruption of the two permanent front teeth.

DEFINITION of MARKET GOATS: Market goats may be doe or wether kids. Short scrotum, cryptorchid or buck kids are not eligible as market goats. All breeds (including crossbred) will be shown together. Market does and wethers will show together.

HAIR LENGTH: Market Goats must be uniformly slick shorn from the knee and hock up to allow inspection for club lamb fungus.

MINIMUM WEIGHTS for MARKET GOATS: Market goats weighing less than 50 pounds at weigh-in will not be eligible for a purple award.

MARKET MEAT GOAT CLASSES (classes split by weight)

BREEDING MEAT GOAT

PREMIUMS: Purple, \$6.00; Blue, \$4.50; Red, \$3.00; White, \$2.00.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR: Two Breeding Meat Goats

TROPHIES: See Knox County Trophy and Award List

MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT: All **breeding doe** kids must have all lamb or temporary teeth present; yearling does can have yearling teeth but cannot have two-year old teeth up. Breeding does may be mouthed for age. Does exhibiting two-year old teeth will be allowed to show but will not be eligible to compete for championship.

BREEDING MEAT GOAT CLASSES (Registered and Commercial will show together)

- Doe Kids - born 9/1/2023 to 6/1/2024
- Yearling Does - born 9/1/2022 to 8/31/2023
- Aged Does - born prior 9/1/2022 (ineligible to show at State Fair)

COMPANION GOAT

PREMIUMS: Purple, \$4.00; Blue, \$3.00; Red, \$2.00; White, \$1.00.

TROPHIES: See Knox County Trophy and Award List

NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR: Two goats - wethers or does. (Includes Pygmy Goats, Fainting Goats, Dairy Wether Goats, etc.)

IDENTIFICATION: Companion Goats must be identified with an USDA official scrapie ID and recorded on the ownership affidavit due in the Extension Office by June 15.

JUDGING: Companion Goats will be judged on the following:

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| 1) Breed Characteristics | 2) Cleanliness of animal |
| 3) Development | 4) Compatibility |

COMPANION GOAT CLASS (Companion Goat, doe or wether, all ages)

- Advanced Division (ages 11 and over)
- Beginning Division (ages 8-10)

POULTRY DIVISION

ARRIVAL DEADLINE - All poultry exhibits **must** be in place by 11:00 am, Thursday, August 8.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR - A 4-H member is limited to exhibiting 6 entries per DIVISION, but no more than 2 birds in Other Poultry and only 1 pen in Production Trio.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS - See Livestock/Animal General Rules

DRESS CODE – See Livestock/Animal General Rules.