

MEAT GOATS

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Wednesday, August 11

10:00 AM Dairy Judging Contest – Showplex
1:00 PM General Livestock Judging – Showplex

Tuesday, August 17

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM Meat Goats arrive, Health Inspection, Meat Goats Weighed at the Showplex
12:00 Noon Exhibitor Meeting – Showplex (with Beef, Sheep, and Breeding Swine)

Thursday, August 19

8:30 AM Judges Meeting - Showplex
9:00 AM Meat Goat Show – Showplex

Friday, August 20

6:00 PM Exhibitor Meeting – Showplex (with Beef, Sheep, and Breeding Swine)

Saturday, August 21

1:00 PM 4-H/FFA Meat Goat Auction – Showplex
7:00 PM Meat Goat and Sheep Dressing Contest – Showplex

Sunday, August 22

7:30 PM 4-H/FFA Breeding Meat Goats Released
9:00 PM 4-H/FFA Market Meat Goats Released

GOAT RULES

- a) All goat health records must accompany animals to the Fair.
- b) Goats must have an ear tag or tattoo number that is to be used as positive identification on the official goat entry form and health papers.
- c) The Interdepartmental Rabies Committee (NYS Health Department, Department of Environmental Conservation and Department of Agriculture and Markets) recommends appropriate off-label rabies vaccine by a licensed veterinarian. This is subject to change upon approval of a vaccine for goats.
- d) Goats may be purebred or recorded grade.
- e) Any animal showing an open sore may not be exhibited. Any animal that produces an open sore while at the fair will be sent home immediately.
- f) Herd and/or dairy signs will be permitted.
- g) All exhibitors are required to participate in Showmanship, the knowledge contest and must have given a public presentation prior to August 1, 2010.
- h) **ALL exhibitors are responsible for maintaining their exhibit until released by the 4-H program on Sunday, August 22, 2010. Failure to do so will result in not being able to participate at The Erie County Fair in the future and forfeit of premium checks.**

MARKET MEAT GOAT REGULATIONS

- a) Market Meat Goats must be born since October 1, 2009.
- b) Market Meat Goats must weigh a minimum of 60 lbs at time of Fair weigh-in, or they will not be eligible for the show or sale. All goats will be weighed one time only and no substitutions will be allowed.
- c) All animals must be owned and cared for by the exhibitor since May 1, 2010 and must have been identified on the meat goat identification card submitted to the 4-H office by May 1, 2010.
- d) All meat goats must be either a wether or a doe. Acceptable breeds are Nubian, Kiko, Boer, Spanish, Savannah, Myotonic or crosses of these and may be purebred or grade.
- e) There must be a minimum of 5 market meat goats to hold an official auction.
- f) Market goats must have been administered a rabies vaccine on or before July 20, 2010 in order to adhere to the 21 days withholding.
- g) All exhibitors must be 9 as of January 1, 2010.

BREEDING MEAT GOAT REGULATIONS

- a) All animals must be owned and cared for by exhibitor since May 1, 2010
- b) All animals, registered or non-registered, must have proper identification. Non-registered animals are required to have a scrapie tag.
- c) Animals shown in the market meat goat class are NOT eligible to show in the breeding classes.
- d) The base date for ages is the date of the show.
- e) Exhibitors of breeding animals must be 8 as of January 1, 2010.

BREEDING MEAT GOATS

BREEDING DOES-

Awards: Blue \$7.00 Red \$6.00 White \$5.00

Section A- Registered, Full blood

Section B- Percentage, Unregistered

Class

- 1) Doe Kid under 6 months
- 2) Doe Kid 6 months – under 12 months
- 3) Doe 12 months – 2 years
- 4) Doe 3 years and older

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Section L, Class #1 – Project Market Meat Goat

Awards: Blue \$7.00 Red \$6.00 White \$5.00

Goats will be divided into light, medium and heavy weight classes after they are weighed. All market meat goats will be weighed upon arrival at the Showplex. All animals exhibited in this class will be sold at the Meat Goat Auction on Saturday, August 21, 2010 at 1:00 pm.

MEAT GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

Awards: Blue \$3.00 Red \$2.00 White \$1.00

Class

1. **Novice Meat Goat Showmanship** – Open to first year exhibitors, with no prior experience in showing and fitting meat goats.
2. **Junior Meat Goat Showmanship** – 9 – 13 years
3. **Senior Meat Goat Showmanship** – 14 – 19 years
4. **Junior Breeding Meat Goat Showmanship** – 8 – 13 years
5. **Senior Breeding Meat Goat Showmanship** – 14-19 years

Champion Meat Goat Showman- Previous winners of Championship not eligible for this award, they must compete in the age class in which they would normally compete in. Entries for this class are limited to the 1st place showman in classes 1-5 and the 1st place alumni showman.

8. **Master Meat Goat Showman** – Entries limited to current The Erie County Fair Champion Meat Goat Showman and previous Erie County Fair Master Meat Goat Showmen.

OTHER MEAT GOAT COMPETITIONS

Goat Herdsman Contest

A \$5.00 premium, donated by the Fair, will be awarded to exhibitors selected as the outstanding herdsman in the Junior Meat Goat Show.

Animal Judging Contests- Section AA

Awards: Blue \$3.00 Red \$2.00 White \$1.00

Class

1. Dairy Cattle Judging Contest

Contestant will judge three classes of dairy cattle. Exhibitors who wish to be eligible for State Fair Judging must give one set of oral reasons.

2. Oral Reasons

Trophy awarded to the participant scoring the highest in the dairy judging contest.

3. General Livestock Judging Contest

Contestants will judge classes of market beef, sheep, swine and market meat goats. Breeding classes of each species and market goats will be dependent upon animals entered at the Fair.

4. General Livestock Oral Reasons

The judge will select a class of animals for exhibitors to give a set of oral reasons.

CLASS # 43

Saturday, August 21, 2010 at 7 PM

The Erie County Fair Meat Goat Dressing Contest

Judging to take place in the Livestock Arena

Open to all 4-H and FFA Exhibitors in the Fair

Prizes will be awarded to the best-costumed animal

Exhibitors 13 years old & under

1st place - \$15.00

2nd place - \$10.00

3rd place - \$5.00

4th place - \$5.00

Exhibitors 14 years old & up

1st place - \$15.00

2nd place - \$10.00

3rd place - \$5.00

4th place - \$5.00

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