Market Goat Rules/Requirements and Tips

Market Goat Specific Entry Rules/Requirements:

- 1. These rules and all the general rules must be followed to be eligible to sell in the sale.
- 2. All goats need to be born after December 15th of the previous exhibit year.
- 3. Individual members may enter up to 5 animals (wethers and does). NOTE: Families can weigh in together (siblings only) and may transfer animals between them but specific ownership of the animal must be declared at final weigh in.
- **4. Scrapies:** Goats are required to have a Scrapie ear tag from farm of origin (or a replacement tag in event of loss). The scrapies tag must be in at the time of initial weigh-in.
- 5. MAP Tag: In addition to the scapies tag, there will be a tag provided by the MAP project that is required, it is your responsibility to get the tag. If unable to attend the weigh in you will need to arrange with the goat superintendent to pick up your tag on or before the April 10th weigh in.
- 6. Castration: All buck goats must show obvious signs of castration by weigh-in or they won't be allowed to weigh-in.
- 7. **Breeding Animal:** Project members entering goats in the Meat Animal Project must enter, exhibit, and assume responsibility for daily care by May 1 of a breeding animal.
 - To be eligible to sell in the sale you **must** show a breeding stock goat unless you are a first year project member.
 - Because of the higher initial cost, first-year project members are not required to exhibit a breeding animal.
 - A market doe does not qualify as a breeding animal.
- 8. **Initial weigh-in:** Project members wanting to participate in the Performance Meat Animal project must weigh-in their market goat(s) on 04/10/2021 8:30am-10am at the Dunn County Rec. Park.

Goat Specific Entry Requirements / Initial Weigh In:

Species	Date	Time	Location	Max Weight
Goats	4/10/2021	8:30am – 10 am	Dunn Co. Rec Park	No max

Sales/Auction/Final Weigh-in: Goats must meet the weight requirements to be eligible to sell. This
does <u>not</u> guarantee the member can sell. Please refer to the general rules to understand why a
goat may not sell.

Required Weights:

SPECIES	WEIGHT REQUIREMENTS	MAXIMUM PAID WEIGHT	
Goats	Minimum 65 lbs.	No Maximum	

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December-Market class animal must be born December 15th of previous year or later.

- □ January It's a good idea to start attending feeding workshops and fitting clinics
 - Feeding and fitting workshop are often held during late winter or early spring.
 - $\circ~$ There will be a list of preselected workshops/sessions you will be able to attend.
- □ **February** If you don't have your market animal selected yet, get planning so you know where you are going to acquire your market animal.
- □ March-YQCA Training Make sure you get your YQCA training signed and turned in by May 15, 2021.
- □ March/April-Select and/or purchase animal
 - \circ Market class animals must have been born on or after December 15th of the previous year.
 - \circ $\,$ There are great resources on the internet that you can use to help you select a market goat.

□ April- Dunn County Goat Project Entry Meeting & Weigh in

- $\circ~$ The Dunn County Goat Weigh-In will be held April 10, 2021 from 8:30AM 10AM.
- The animal's weight will depend on when it was born, the closer to December 15th it was born the more it is likely to weigh. There is no maximum weight; however, suggested maximum weight at weigh-in is 50 lbs.

□ April – Begin training the animal for showing

- $\circ~$ It is important to be consistent in how you work with the animal.
- The more time that you spend with your animal, the more relaxed both of you will be in the show ring! The sooner you start training your goat the better.
- $\circ~$ Animals that cannot be controlled by the exhibitor may be removed from the show/fair by the superintendent.
- □ May May 1st Breeding stock for the fair MUST be under your care
- May 15th Completed and signed Species Entry Form and YQCA Certificate are due to the Dunn County Fair Office. If not turned in by May 15th you will NOT be able to sell your animal in the Meat Animal Project Sale.

DUNN COUNTY FAIR (WEDNESDAY, JULY 21TH - SUNDAY, JULY 25TH)

- □ Please if you have any questions ASK the superintendent. (Lori Gorell 715-379-3401)
- □ **Check-in** All market animals must be penned and cleaned by the end of entry time (one hour before weigh-in).
- □ Wednesday 1:00 PM Weigh In/Carcass Scanning (dependent on technician availability)
- □ Wednesday Hang Project Poster with expense information filled out
- □ Thursday 9:00 AM Goat Show and Carcass Scan after the show
- □ 1 hour after the show Notify Superintendent which animal you will be selling
- □ Saturday 5:00 PM Sale starts and Buyer's dinner begins at 4:00 PM. There will be arena setup before the sale/buyers dinner that members are expected to help with, there isn't a set time but you will be notified so you know when to be there to help.
- □ 1 hour after the sale Update Project Poster with buyer and sale information
- September Attend the Carcass Clinic
 The Carcass Clinic must be attended or there will be a \$25.00 deduction from your check.