

**2024-2025 CITRUS COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION**  
**YOUTH DAIRY AND MEAT GOAT SHOW RULES & REGULATIONS**  
**YOUTH TERMINAL MARKET WETHER GOAT - CITRUS COUNTY EXHIBITORS ONLY**

1. This show is open to all 4-H or FFA youth in the state of Florida. A current and valid 4-H or FFA card may be requested for Out of County Youth. **All Exhibitors must be 8 years of age as of September 1, 2024 to show.** Wether Classes will be open to Citrus County 4-H or FFA members only.
2. (A) **Youth Dairy and Meat Goat** Entry Form and Entry Fees (Non-refundable) must be in the fair office on or before 5:00 pm **Friday, February 23, 2024.** No post marked or metered mail will be accepted after this date. If a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter animal you can list up to 3 names as showman and must be declared by registration deadline.  
\$15.00 per Dairy Goat OR Meat Goat for In County exhibitors  
\$20.00 per Dairy Goat OR Meat Goat for Out of County exhibitors  
\$10.00 Youth Showmanship (Participation is Optional).  
\$10.00 Pee Wee Showmanship - **Donated to the Dr. Dumas Scholarship Fund**  
**LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED DAY OF SHOW WITH A \$15.00 LATE FEE PER ANIMAL. CASH ONLY FOR ALL FEES.**

All Goat exhibitor's must own their animal by the beginning of the project date December 1<sup>st</sup>, (No leased or borrowed animals allowed), unless the Livestock Chairman and Superintendent approve another showman. All show animals will be cared for at the exhibitor's residence unless permission is granted for the animal to be cared for at another location by the Livestock Board in writing. In County Dairy and Meat Goat Exhibitor's record book must begin on December 1<sup>st</sup>. All record books must be turned in the day of Goat/Wether check in.

(B) **Youth Terminal Market Wether Goat** Entry Form and Entry Fee \$40.00 (Non-refundable) must be in the fair office on or before 5:00 pm **Friday, November 1, 2024.** No post marked or metered mail will be accepted after this date. Exhibitor may show and sell only one Youth Market Wether. 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters may show and sell only one Youth Market Wether per group. If a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter animal you can list up to 3 names as showman and must be declared no later than Wether weigh-in. See Youth Terminal Market Wether Rules.

All Wether exhibitors must own their animal and begin their record book on the weigh in day. All record books must be turned in the day of Goat/Wether check in.

Exhibitors may also show a pen of meat rabbit and/or pen of meat poultry, youth market lamb in addition to the steer or swine.

(C) **MANDATORY FOR IN COUNTY EXHIBITORS TO ATTEND ONE EDUCATIONAL MEETING.** The Livestock Committee will present at least two educational meetings during the project period (August through February). REFER TO THE IMPORTANT DATES AND EDUCATIONAL MEETING INFO SHEET. The Exhibitor and a Parent or Guardian WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND TOGETHER, at least ONE of these to SHOW and SALE. Exhibitor and Parent or Guardian, must STAY for the meeting AND sign in and sign out to receive credit for attending. If you and your parent or legal guardians are unable to attend one of these meetings, the intended exhibitor should not register an animal to show and sale.

All exhibitors must leave their animals at the fairgrounds for the duration of the show as determined by the Livestock Committee and/or Goat Superintendent. This is a day show only. **No animals or exhibitors will be allowed to leave the fairgrounds until their area is clean.**

3. All goats shown must be positively, individually identified as follows: Registered goats as per association requirements and/or an Official USDA Scrapies Ear Tag. Unregistered goats by an Official USDA Scrapies Ear Tag. You may contact APHIS/USDA 866-873-2824 for more information. Permanent tattoos will be accepted in place of the ear tag providing the tattoo has the entire Scrapies number.
4. As pursuant to Rule 5C-4.005 (Admission of Animals for Exhibition-Goat) of the Florida Administrative Code, all goats must be accompanied by a current Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) issued by a Veterinarian dated not more than 90 days prior to the show and will be inspected upon arrival at the fairgrounds. **Health Certificate must be presented prior to animal being removed from the trailer. The Health Certificate will be at the owner's expense.** All registered animals exhibited must be registered in the name of the owner. The exhibitor/owner must show his or her own animal (Unless showman has multiple animals in championship drive).
5. The judge's decision will be final. No protest will be allowed. No reversal of decision will be considered.
6. Animals will be placed in classes based on the age of animal on Saturday, March 22, 2025. The Superintendent will create the classes upon final Registration. The need to combine Classes / Divisions may be necessary from time to time and will be done at the Superintendents discretion.

7. All livestock exhibitors will be admitted Free during their program through the Livestock Gate. ALL OTHERS MUST PAY GATE PRICE OR SHOW FAIR MEMBERSHIP CARD. DEADLINE IS ON THE IMPORTANT DATES AND EDUCATIONAL MEETING INFO SHEET.
8. ALL UNAUTHORIZED VEHICLES MUST BE MOVED OUTSIDE THE FENCE ONE-HOUR PRIOR TO SHOW.
9. No painting or artificial coloring is allowed.
10. Each exhibitor is responsible to supply their own equipment to maintain the health and care of their animals.
11. All goats must be lead broke and be controllable by the exhibitor. Any goat that is uncontrollable by Exhibitor may be asked to leave the show ring and will be disqualified from the show. Exhibitors will be allowed to use halters, collars, or show leads to show their animal in the ring.
12. All goats must be checked in with the show superintendent during the specified time. All animals not checked in during this time will be considered "No Shows", and will be deleted from the Show.
13. Any number of Breeding Doe can be show by any one exhibitor. The Market Wether show is exclusive to Citrus County exhibitors enrolled in 4-H or FFA. Only 1 Market Wether can be shown by each exhibitor. Exhibitors may not compete against themselves, except for championship classes.
14. The direct application of ice, ice water, alcohol, freon or any other refrigerant to the hide of an animal and the artificial introduction of air, blood, oil, drugs, steroids or chemicals into an animal is strictly prohibited. These deceptive, fraudulent practices will cause the exhibitor and their animal(s) to be disqualified immediately.
15. All Livestock Committee's decisions are final.
16. Mandatory to attend Barn Set-up **OR** Barn Clean-Up for all Citrus County Exhibitors - **REFER TO THE IMPORTANT DATES AND EDUCATIONAL MEETING INFO SHEET. Exhibitor must sign in and sign out to receive credit for attending.** Anyone unable to attend must contact the Livestock Committee Chairman, in writing, prior to Barn Set-up **OR** Barn Clean-up. Failure to attend and participate in Barn Set-up **OR** Barn Clean-up will result in a **\$150.00** fine or forfeit their premium monies, to be put into the Dr. Dumas Scholarship fund. All Pee Wee exhibitors are encouraged to attend but not MANDATORY.
17. Thank you letters for Skill-a-thon and **all Awards** must be in the Fair Office before a check will be issued to the Exhibitor. Bring your letters to the Fair Office; deadline is on the Important Dates and Educational Meeting Info sheet. **(No Letters will be taken at Barn Clean-up)**. Letters must be stamped, addressed and **unsealed with your name and your return address on the envelope**. All money will be withheld until letters are written. **Should deadline be missed there will be a \$150.00 fine or forfeit your premium monies for In County and Out of County Exhibitors and will become ineligible to Show for the following Fair year.** Sponsor address label is on the bottom of all awards and lists of Sponsors with addresses are on file in the Fair Office.
18. The Citrus County Fair Livestock Board reserves the right to reject or accept conditionally any entry or application at any time or revoke premiums earned for just cause, or bar exhibitor from exhibiting. Failure to comply with any of the rules and regulations will subject the party to disqualification and removal from the Fairgrounds.

#### **Meat Goat Classes**

##### **BREEDING DOE SHOW**

Class #1: 0 to under 4 months

Class #2: 4 to under 8 months

Class #3: 8 to under 12 months

##### **Class #4: Junior Doe Champion Drive**

Class #5 12 to under 18 months

Class #6 18 to under 24 months

##### **Class #7: Yearling Doe Champion Drive**

Class #8 24 to under 36 months

Class #9 Over 36 months

##### **Class #10: Senior Doe Champion Drive**

**Class #11: Overall Grand Champion Meat Goat Doe - (JR., Yearling, SR. Grand Champion/Reserve)**

**Class #12: Fun Class (Costume or Obstacle)**

#### **Dairy Goat Classes**

##### **DOE SHOW**

Class #1: Junior Doe under 12 months

Class #2: Yearling Doe 12 to 24 months

Class #3: Senior Doe 24 months and Up

Class #4: Champion Doe

**AWARDS & PREMIUMS:** Ribbons will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Payout as follows for 1-3

1<sup>st</sup> Place \$25.00 2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$15.00 3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$10.00, **Only Ribbons will be awarded for 4th through 6th - No Monies**

Overall Grand Champion Meat Goat Doe \$75

**YOUTH SHOWMANSHIP AGES, AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 - NO PAYOUT FOR PEE WEE**

**Pee Wee / Novice (7 and Under) Jr (8 to 10) Int (11 to 13) and Sr (14 to 18)**

Payout for Jr, Int and Sr Showmanship will be a % of entry fee collected. Ribbons will be awarded for 1<sup>ST</sup> - 6<sup>TH</sup>

1 <sup>ST</sup>	25% OF THE PREMIUM PAYOUT	4 <sup>TH</sup>	15% OF THE PREMIUM PAYOUT
2 <sup>ND</sup>	20% OF THE PREMIUM PAYOUT	5 <sup>TH</sup>	12 1/2% OF THE PREMIUM PAYOUT
3 <sup>RD</sup>	17 1/2% OF THE PREMIUM PAYOUT	6 <sup>TH</sup>	10% OF THE PREMIUM PAYOUT

Pee Wee / Novice (Must be 7 years old or younger). There will be a \$10.00 entry fee. It can be paid day of show (CASH ONLY). Awards will be given but no cash payout. All proceeds from Pee Wee / Novice class will be donated to the Dr. Dumas Scholarship Fund.

**YOUTH TERMINMAL MARKET WETHER GOAT SHOW RULES**

- A. Animals that are shown in the Terminal Market Wether Goat Show must be in the ownership, possession, and care of the 4-H or FFA Citrus County youth exhibitors by the beginning of the project (Which is initial weigh-in date); Animals in the Terminal Show must submit a completed record book to prove possession. All market wethers will be shown by their owner/exhibitor.
- B. All Market Wethers must be brought to the Fairgrounds to be weighed at 8:00 am on Saturday, November 9, 2024. All Exhibitors must be present for weigh-in. **All Wethers must be castrated prior to weigh-in.**
- C. Each Exhibitor is limited to one (1) market wether entry.
- D. Wethers must show no evidence of testicular tissue and be completely healed from castration.
- E. Market Wether can be used in Showmanship. All wethers must be born in 2024.
- F. Market Wethers will be divided into 2 classes - light weight or heavy weight. Wethers will be placed in classes according to their weights by the Superintendent. Only Blue ribbon animals will be eligible to compete for Grand Champion drive.
- G. Classes will be split in these divisions based upon the number of entries at the time of weigh-in at the fair.
- H. Any market animal that fails to weigh in during the designated time will be disqualified from the show.
- I. Wethers must be clipped within 3/8 inch or less above the knee and hock joints prior to final weigh-in.
- J. The Terminal Market Wether Goat Show will be open to any breed or crossbred wether that shows Boer influence.
- K. **All animals must be consigned to the sale and remain at the fairgrounds and be cared for by the exhibitor for the entire week, until Saturday at close of the fair. Exhibitors and their parent or guardian will be required to sign a drug certificate which must be turned in at the final weigh in. By signing the drug certificate, you are certifying that all drugs and feed additives received by these animals have been used in conformity with the feed or drug manufacture's dosage directions and withdrawal times.**
- L. Two separate Buyer Letters (**One to a Previous Buyer and one to a New Buyer, Addressed, Stamped, and unsealed with your name and your return address**) will be required for sale animal exhibitors, and must be turned in to the Fair Office. Buyer Letter deadline is on the Important Dates and Educational Meeting Info sheet. Only two (2) letters will be accepted at the Fair Office; however, you are encouraged to send out more on your own. All exhibitors must use the current list of previous buyers posted online at [citruscountyfair.com](http://citruscountyfair.com) or you can pick up a list from the Fair office.
- M. Thank you letters for Buyers, Add-Ons, Belt Buckle, Skill-a-thon and all Awards must be in the Fair Office before a check will be issued to the Exhibitor. Bring your letters to the Fair Office; deadline is on the Important Dates and Educational Meeting Info sheet. (**No Letters will be taken at Barn Clean-up**). Letters must be stamped, addressed and **unsealed with your name and your return address on the envelope**. All money will be withheld until letters are written. **Should deadline be missed there will be a \$150.00 fine or forfeit your premium monies for In County and Out of County Exhibitors will become ineligible to Show/Sale for the following Fair year.** Sponsor address label is on the bottom of all awards and a list of Sponsors with addresses is on file in the Fair Office.
- N. **AWARDS & PREMIUMS: RIBBONS WILL BE AWARDED 1<sup>ST</sup> THROUGH 6<sup>TH</sup>**  
**1<sup>st</sup> \$10, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$5.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$4.00, 4<sup>th</sup> \$3.00, 5<sup>th</sup> \$2.00, 6<sup>th</sup> \$1.00**
- O. This is a Terminal Show. No Market Animal may be shown in **ANY SHOW** after it has been sold in the live auction at the Citrus County Fair. Any exhibitor doing so will become ineligible to participate in the Citrus County Fair next year. If the exhibitor is a graduating senior, a 25% assessment of the sale price will be charged.
- P. Failure to comply with any of the above rules and regulations will subject the exhibitor to disqualification and removal from the project or Fairgrounds.

**EXHIBITOR: FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS BE SURE TO READ THE LIVESTOCK ADDENDUM, IAFE AND NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS, CITRUS COUNTY FAIR LIVESTOCK GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS AND THE LIVESTOCK SCHEDULE AS THEY PERTAIN TO ALL LIVESTOCK SHOWS.**