Germantown Fair Livestock Show

Tuesday, August 4th, 2026 Registration: 4:30 pm Showmanship: 6:00 pm

Market Goat Show Rules and Regulations

1. The show is open to Kentucky 4-H and FFA members in Bracken, Mason, Robertson, Fleming, Lewis, Harrison, Nicholas and Pendleton Counties engaged in an approved goat project. All goats showing MUST have a KUIP tag and scrapie tag to be eligible to show.

2. Exhibitors ages 8 years old and younger as of January 1 of the current year are eligible to participate in the Novice classes only. Each Novice is limited to one entry and must have a scrapie tag and be KUIP tagged in his/her name.

3. All KY origin animals for exhibition shall be officially identified on a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) which is effective from January 1 through December 31 of the current year. All goats must meet Kentucky health requirements for exhibition.
4. All 4-H, FFA, and Novice entries must be nominated and identified by the Kentucky Uniform Identification Program (KUIP) by May 15th. Co-tagging with KUIP tags will only be permitted among 4-H, FFA, and Novice siblings unless a waiver has been obtained.

5. 4-H and FFA exhibitors may exhibit a total of four entries, be it market goats or wether dams.

6. All goats must be shown by the 4-H or FFA exhibitor (owner) unless the exhibitor is incapacitated (deprived or strength or ability; physically impaired) or has more than one entry in a class, then he or she may have another 4-H or FFA youth exhibit his or her animal. No novice exhibitors are eligible.

7. All goats will show by declared weight. All goats must weigh a minimum of 35 pounds at the time of show to be eligible for exhibition; with no upper weight limit. At least the top three placing goats in each class will be weighed by the Show Coordinator or their representative as the animal leaves the show ring. Any goat that weighs 7 pounds or over its declared weight will be disqualified. No premiums will be paid on disqualified animals and they will not be considered “qualified”.

8. There will be two divisions of wether dams shown. Wether dams will be entered as fitted or slick at the time of show. Wether dams will be shown by weight in their division. Goats shown as wether dams will not be eligible to show as market goats at that show.

9. Only 4-H and FFA members, their parents and siblings, local 4-H and FFA leaders, or their 4-H agents and their instructors of vocational agriculture may fit goats during the show.

10. Market kids must be castrated (banded or surgically removed, clamping is not allowed). All scrotal tissue is to be removed.

11. All exhibitors may enter market wethers or market does. Induced cryptorchids (short scrotum kids) and buck goats may not be shown. Any wether kid showing signs of secondary sexual characteristics may not be shown.

12. Goats shown in the on-foot weight classes or in the breeding doe class may also be used in the Showmanship Class.

13. No adult shall enter the show ring while classes are being judged unless the exhibitor is physically impaired. This includes Novice classes.

14. Exhibitors are expected to treat their goats in a manner consistent with good animal husbandry and display proper sportsmanship at all times. Failure to comply may result in disqualification or exhibitor is so recommended by the local show committee.

15. All exhibitors will be responsible for leaving facilities as found by disposing of all trash, feed, bedding, etc. The fair will not be responsible for mishaps, injuries, losses or deaths that may befall animals or people during this event.

16. The rules committee (a 4-H, FFA, a fair board representative) shall have the authority to interpret and enforce all rules. Questions on rules will be referred to the rules committee and their decision is final. A protest must be made before the show begins. Protestors must pay a $200.00 non-refundable fee.

NOTE: We discourage the use of training collars and chains that choke goats while in the show ring showing your goat.

GENERAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

All KY origin animals for exhibition shall be officially identified on a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) which is effective from January 1 through December 31 of the current year. All animals are subject to examination by inspectors from the Office of the State Veterinary at each exhibition. If a contagious disease is identified (i.e. warts, ringworm, soremouth, etc.) the animal is subject to disqualification and not permitted to be exhibited again until the animal completely recovers from the contagious disease at which time a new Certificate of Veterinary Inspection should be written for that animal.