

Meat Goat Department

Superintendent: Rob Vincent

1. Exhibitor must be FSQA Certified.
2. Only goat's eligible for showing are allowed on fairgrounds.
3. Meet Rob Vincent, Superintendent, outside at the SE corner of the Sheep Barn. Rob will inspect health papers and the goats prior to any unloading. Any signs of sore mouth, fungus or pneumonia as examples will prevent the goat from being shown..
4. Mkt. Goats should arrive already clipped to at least 3/8 inch. Minor fitting is allowed prior to the show. The major clipping should be completed prior to arrival.
5. Sheep Barn will be used. Keep at least one pen with goats between exhibitor tack pens. Find pens on your own. You are required to clean the pens following the show and haul the bedding to outside collection areas.
6. Meat goats will be released at the completion of the show.
7. Breeding Buck class, #48. Bucks that are less than one year of age based on the day of the show.
8. All goats must be dehorned or blunted prior to arrival
9. Breeding does must have permanent ink tattoos that adhere to the USDA scrapies program requirements or have an approved 4-H or FFA ear tag. The chosen id method must be listed on the 4-H Meat Goat Verification form or be submitted through the FFA animal nomination process.
10. Iowa 4-H Meat Goats must be ID in 4-H online or the FFA Meat Goat nomination form must be completed by June 1 to show goats.
11. Meat Goats must weigh a minimum of 50 pounds by fair.
12. All meat goats must have a completed drug affidavit at the time of check in at the Polk County Fair. Affidavits can be found at the extension office or on the [Polk County Fair Website](http://polkcountyfairiowa.com/forms) (polkcountyfairiowa.com/forms)
13. The show date will be used to determine breeding doe and breeding buck class age breaks.
14. Breeding does over 24 months of age that have never kidded may not be shown.
15. All animals will be judged on individuality only.
16. Showmanship Contest
 - a. Exhibitors showing their own livestock in all classes including showmanship are eligible to compete for showmanship awards.
 - b. Previous winners are not eligible for this competition in the age divisions they have previously won.
 - c. Showmanship will be broken into three age divisions, as of September 1, previous year:

Class Number and Description

001	Junior Showmanship Grades 4-6
002	Intermediate Showmanship Grades 5-8
003	Senior Showmanship Grades 9-12 & FFA

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101	Breeding Junior Doe – under 1 year
102	Breeding Junior Doe – 1 yr. - 2 years
103	Breeding Senior Doe – over 2 years
104	Breeding Bucks – under 1 year
105	Market Wether/Does – under 1 year