

**Goats/Tack/Displays released Saturday night 10-11pm & Sunday 9 am to noon  
No Goats/Displays/Tack to be taken down/packed up/removed from building before 10 pm Saturday  
(Includes decorations, tools, supplies, animals, etc.)**

**GOAT EXHIBITORS MUST BE PRESENT SUNDAY morning to cleanup/fold/stack pens  
Then, sign out with Department Superintendent.**

**EXHIBITORS who fail to comply and fail to sign out will FORFEIT PREMIUMS**



**DEPARTMENT 22 – MEAT GOATS  
DALE WHEELER, LAURA WHEELER AND LISA WHEELER – CO-SUPERINTENDENTS**

**SPECIFIC RULES:**

- Note:** All entries are subject to Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in Maryland. Exhibitors must comply with all General Rules and Regulations and all Livestock Department Rules and Regulations.
- Show Attire:** 4-H exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in show ring, as clearly stated in [Rule #23 of the General Rules & Regs.](#)
- A \$2.00 fee will be assessed for each animal entered. Non-Refundable Fees **Must Be Mailed TO Valerie Harlan by June 1st.** This fee is separate from the tagging fee assessed by the MD 4-H Program to purchase the animal ear tag.
- Market goats must be owned & registered with the County Extension Office by May 1 of the current year.
- Market goats and commercial does and bucks must be tagged with a MD 4-H Livestock tag prior to arrival at Fair.
- All goats **must be officially scrapie identified, tag or a READABLE TATTOO.** Any goat not scrapie identified or with a tattoo that is not clearly readable will not be accepted for entry in the Fair.
- Meat goats will be allowed to have horns. Horns should be tipped blunt. Blunting (also called tipping) simply means removing the pointy tip of the horn.
- Breeding classes will be divided according to the age of the animal.
- All exhibits must be in place on Thursday by 9 am.
  - Animal Exhibitors must have registration and health papers available at all times.
  - ALL REQUIRED EAR TAGS (farm tag, 4-H tag, RFID tag, scrapie tag) MUST BE IN PLACE PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT THE FAIR GROUNDS.** Animals without required tags upon arrival to the Fair Grounds will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the Fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.
  - All goats are required to have appropriate scrapie identification.
- Exhibitors are allowed to enter four market goats, Section B, and two Breeding animals in each class, Sections C and D.
- Goats in Pair Class 2206 must be shown in Class 2205
- A goat cannot be entered in both a breeding and market class.

- Exhibitors are permitted to substitute one animal for another in the same class.
- Market goats must weigh a minimum of 50 lbs and will be shown by weight.
- Only wether & doe kids can be shown in market classes.
- Market goats must be less than one year in age & have their milk teeth & may not show any breaking or eruption of either of the two permanent front teeth.
- Market Goats must be shown uniformly body clipped, no more than 3/8" long above the knees & hocks.
- All wether kids must be completely healed. At the superintendents' discretion, wether kids showing signs of testicle presence will be examined further to determine eligibility.
- All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place Market Animals must be presented for selection of Grand & Reserve Grand Champions.
- All animals must remain on the grounds until the prescribed release time. If animals are removed early, exhibitor will forfeit all premiums and ribbons.
- Animals are to be kept in their pens or designated areas at all times except for show time. Animals should never be walked in other areas of the barns or Fairgrounds. This is for the safety of the General Public and the animal.
- Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion market goats must grade & be sold at the Livestock Sale. Animals must meet quality standards & will be graded by the Grading Committee.
- All Market goat exhibitors who sell in Livestock Sale must comply with the Livestock Sale rules. Only Market Goats exhibited in the market goat show may sell if they meet quality standards as determined by Grading Committee.
- Market Goats eligible for the sale require a 4-H ear tag. LaMancha goats will have the 4-H ear tag number tattooed into the tail web. The 4-H'er must have the tag in their possession.

Proposed Premium - \$14.00 participation per animal shown.

**ONLINE ENTRIES**—be prepared to type  
**Animal Name**      **Sire/Dam**  
**Scrapie Ear Tag**      **Registry #**  
**4-H Ear Tag #**      **DOB – date of birth**  
**Gender**

**SECTION A - SHOWMANSHIP**

## Classes

2201	Novice – 1 <sup>st</sup> year showing, any age
2202	Jr. Fitting and Showing
2203	Int. fitting and Showing
2204	Sr. Fitting and Showing

**SECTION B – MARKET GOATS**

## Classes

2205	Market Goats (maximum 4 entries)
2206	Pair of Market Goats (maximum 1 entry) (each shown individually in class 2205)

**SECTION C – BREEDING GOATS – COMMERCIAL**

## Classes

2207	Jr. Doe Kid - Born on or after Mar. 1, 2018
2208	Inter. Doe Kid – Born Between Jan, 1, 2018 & Feb 28, 2018
2209	Winter Doe Kid – Born between Nov. 1, 2017 & Dec. 31, 2017
2210	Fall Doe Kid – Born between Sept. 1, 2017 & Oct 31, 2017
2211	Senior Yearling Doe (not kidded) – Born between Sept. 1, 2016 & Dec. 31, 2016
2212	Junior Yearling Doe (not kidded) - Born between Jan 1, 2017 & Aug 31, 2017
2213	Yearling Doe (kidded) – Born between Sept. 1, 2016 & Aug. 31, 2017
2214	Doe 2 years old –Born Between Sept 1, 2015 Aug. 31, 2016
2215	Doe 3 years old–Born between Sept 1, 2014 & Aug 31, 2015
2216	Doe 4 years old & older – Born on or before Aug 31, 2014
2217	Dam and Daughter (Does only) (each shown individually in a class 2207 to 2216 )
2218	Twins to each other – Born on or after Sept 1, 2017 (each shown individually in a class 2207 to 2216)
2219	Buck Kid - Born on or after Sept. 1, 2017
2220	Yearling Buck – Born between Sept. 1, 2016 & Aug. 31, 2017

**SECTION D – BREEDING GOATS – REGISTERED**

## Classes

2207	Jr. Doe Kid - Born on or after Mar. 1, 2018
2208	Inter. Doe Kid – Born Between Jan, 1, 2018 & Feb 28, 2018
2209	Winter Doe Kid – Born between Nov. 1, 2017 & Dec. 31, 2017
2210	Fall Doe Kid – Born between Sept. 1, 2017 & Oct 31, 2017
2211	Senior Yearling Doe (not kidded) – Born between Sept. 1, 2016 & Dec. 31, 2016
2212	Junior Yearling Doe (not kidded) - Born between Jan 1, 2017 & Aug 31, 2017
2213	Yearling Doe (kidded) – Born between Sept. 1, 2016 & Aug. 31, 2017
2214	Doe 2 years old –Born Between Sept 1, 2015 Aug. 31, 2016
2215	Doe 3 years old–Born between Sept 1, 2014 & Aug 31, 2015
2216	Doe 4 years old & older – Born on or before Aug 31, 2014
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**HERDSMAN AWARD****COW PALACE BEEF, DAIRY, GOAT, SHEEP AND SWINE HERDSMAN AWARD**

Sponsored by the Warns Family

Exhibitors automatically entered

Each category is worth 10 points each. Exhibitors' areas will be judged approximately 3 times per day unannounced, at any time of the day, by unbiased individuals as well as the Dept. Superintendents. The scores from each day will be totaled at the end of the fair and the winner will be announced. Exhibitor's name must be clearly identified to be judged.

**Judging Criteria:**

1. **Cleanliness and care of Animal**
2. **Cleanliness of Bedding**
3. **Cleanliness of Feed/Tack Area & Central Aisle**
4. **Attractiveness of Exhibitor's assigned area**
5. **Breed Promotion / Educational Display**
6. **Assigned area and Display identified with exhibitor's name**