

2020 Goat

Ohio State University Extension
 Erie County 4-H
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Project Numbers	Interview	Show
135BD-Breeding -Dairy Goats	July 23 rd 5-8 pm - EHOVE	Friday, August 14 th - 9:00 am
135H-Harness Goat	July 23 rd 5-8 pm - EHOVE	Friday, August 14 th - 9:00 am
135M-Market Goat- (Dairy, Meat, Cross)	July 23 rd 5-8 pm - EHOVE	Friday, August 14 th - 9:00 am
135P – Pack Goats	July 23 rd 5-8 pm - EHOVE	Friday, August 14 th – 9:00 am (following dairy & market classes)
135PY – Pygmy Goats	July 23 rd 5-8 pm - EHOVE	Friday, August 14 th – 11:00 am
135F – Fiber Goats	July 23 rd 5-8 pm - EHOVE	Friday, August 14 th 11:00 am

**** Fainting Goats are not Permitted ****

**** Erie County does not offer 135C – Companion/Pet Goats or 135BM Breeding- Meat Goat ****

Other Important Dates:

Possession Deadline – May 1st

Market Goat Tagging – May 9th, 9-11 am @ Erie County Fairgrounds

Goats brought to the Fair - Monday, August 10th 5-9 pm

Mandatory Meeting – Exhibitors/Parents – Monday, August 10th 8:15 p.m. in the Show Barn

Animals released from fair – August 16th, 7 pm * **All goat exhibitors must clean out their pens and help with barn tear down & clean-up Sunday night ***

****Copies of every goat’s registration or identification papers need to be brought to interview judging on July 23rd.****

Goat Committee

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Extension Educator Responsible - Mary Beth Albright

Book and Interview Requirements

<u>Project</u>	<u>Required Book(s)</u>
135BD –Breeding- Dairy Goats	#135 Goat Project & Record Book & #135R Goat Resource Handbook
135H-Harness Goat	#135 Goat Project & Record Book & #135R Goat Resource Handbook
135M Market- Dairy, Meat, or Cross	#135 Goat Project & Record Book & #135R Goat Resource Handbook
135P – Pack Goats	#135 Goat Project & Record Book & #135R Goat Resource Handbook
135PY – Pygmy Goats	#135 Goat Project & Record Book & #135R Goat Resource Handbook
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***Book # 135R** only needs to be ordered once and can be used for several years. It contains essential subject matter information for members taking a goat project.

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Interview Requirements

All exhibitors must be interviewed, have up-to-date records, and a complete project book in order to show and sell their animal at the fair. NO EXCEPTIONS! Interview date, time and location is listed above. **Copies of every goat's registration or identification papers need to be brought to interview judging.** If the exhibitor cannot attend interview judging on July 23rd, he/she must contact the Extension Office to schedule on one of the three alternative interview dates (listed in the 4-H calendar), which all occur PRIOR to the July 23rd interview judging.

What you need to know for goat skill-a-thon:

- **Beginners/Juniors; Intermediates; and Seniors need to know: Parts of the goat; breeds (Seniors will also need to know origin); topline structure; medication label**
- **Meat goat exhibitors will also need to know cuts of chevron**
- **Dairy goat exhibitors will also need to know mammary structure, with focus on udder attachment.**

General Exhibit Rules and Requirements

1. Every exhibitor of a market, dairy, or breeding animal MUST attend a Quality Assurance program with his/her parent or legal guardian to be eligible to bring the animal(s) to fair to exhibit, show, or sell. There are no exceptions. **This Quality Assurance program must be completed after October 1, 2019 and by June 27, 2020 (45 days prior to the start of the Erie County Fair).**
2. Every exhibitor of a market or lactating animal will turn in a signed Drug Use Notification Form for each animal upon arrival and check-in at the fair.
3. Goat exhibitors must drive into the north pit gate when moving animals into the fair. All livestock trailers must be removed from the fairgrounds after animals are unloaded. No trailers are to be left on the fairgrounds.
4. A premier exhibitor will be named for juniors, intermediates, and seniors based on skillathon, live placing, and showmanship. Individuals not attending the livestock interview judging on July 23rd will NOT be eligible for premier exhibitor.
5. Buyers' plaques will be available at interview judging and at the sale office during the fair. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to obtain buyers plaques, attach a picture of themselves and their project animal, and present the plaque(s) to their buyer(s) at the sale.
6. Project animals should be in the exhibitor's possession by May 1, with the exception of junior kids born after May 1.
7. Exhibitors must have a complete project book with up-to-date records at interview judging. Books will be checked by key leaders and any exhibitor without a complete book will not be permitted to show at fair.
8. Exhibitors should be appropriately dressed, neat, and clean for livestock interviews, show and the sale. No open toed shoes, ripped pants, sandals, mid-riff tops, and low rise pants are permitted.
9. There are NO buck goats allowed at the fair.
10. Fainting goats are not permitted.
11. All males must be castrated so that there is no testicle scar tissue. Castration is preferred over clamp or emasculator.
12. **All goats born after January 1st of the current year must be dehorned. Goats born before January 1st of the current year CANNOT have horns or scurs more than ½ inch in length. The only exceptions are angora goats. A scur is a re-growth that develops after a goat has been dehorned.**
13. Goats must be healthy and free of Sore Mouth, Foot Rot and lesions. Goats will be checked by the Fair Veterinarian and those that fail health standards will be sent home.
14. **All goats and sheep must be scrapie identified to comply with the USDA and Erie County Fair regulations. This includes scrapie identification for both does and wethers. These animals must have proper scrapie identification before coming to tag-in or fair.**

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15. With goats who have tattoos, the tattoos must be LEGIBLE
16. Drenching is prohibited. Drenching is defined as the act of using an instrument (including a bottle) placed in an animal's mouth to orally administer a liquid, food, or any other substance (Ohio Livestock Tampering Exhibition Rule 901-19-01).
17. Grooming of animals during the Erie County Fair is limited to the Junior Fair exhibitor, exhibitor's immediate family, 4-H Advisor, FFA Advisor, or livestock species committee members. Immediate family is defined as members of the exhibitor's household limited to parents, step-parents, or legal guardian, brothers and sisters. Exhibitors must be present and actively engaged during the grooming of their project animal(s).
18. Adding any substance to externally build up, change, or alter the shape or conformation of the livestock, including but not limited to rope, false hair, graphite, hemp, and powders (Ohio Livestock Tampering Exhibition Rule 901-19-33). This includes anything with pigment to change or enhance the color of the animal, including but not limited to paint and baby powder.
19. Pens will be assigned by the Goat Committee. **Pens cannot be changed without committee approval.**
20. All exhibitors are required to furnish their own bedding. Pine shavings, sawdust or wood chips should be used. Straw is NOT permitted.
21. Exhibitors may not bring any tack, bedding, equipment, etc. to the fairgrounds until 8 a.m. the Saturday before the fair.
22. Each exhibitor is responsible for keeping his/her pen, milk stand, and the aisles clean throughout the entire week of the Fair.
23. Exhibitors are expected to provide food and water to animals on a regular basis and keep livestock pens clean and neat. If an animal is not being taken care of or a pen is found to be unacceptable by the appropriate livestock committee, a notice will be posted on the pen. Failure to comply within 24 hours will result in the animal being sent home, forfeiting the exhibitor's ability to show or sell.
24. It is the responsibility of the Exhibitor to care for their goat(s) during the week of the Fair.
25. No metal hayracks or feed pans are permitted on the goat pens.
26. Only those animals that are part of the exhibitor's 4-H or FFA project are permitted to come to the Fair or be housed in the barn. This means there are no companion animals allowed. The only exception are does that are nursing kids.
27. If an exhibitor has a goat that is a jumper, it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to provide soft netting or non-metal screen for the top of the pen, in order to keep the goat in its pen.
28. There shall be NO balloons tied in the goat barn.
29. All goat exhibitors must participate in showmanship. Exhibitors must show their own animal in showmanship.
30. Any additions of subs will be determined by class size or number of exhibitors. Goat committee will make any/all classifications.
31. The exhibitor must show his or her own project animal(s) unless an exception is permitted by the committee. In this case, the animal(s) must be shown by another Erie County Fair Junior exhibitor.
32. All goats used in showmanship classes must also be entered in their respective age class.
33. Harness Goats must be dry does (not in milk) or wethers.
34. Decision on milking out the night before show will be up to committee.

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35. Goats shown in group or pair classes may be owned by more than one exhibitor, but they must be immediate family.
36. All goat exhibitors must clean out their pens and help with barn tear down & clean-up Sunday night.
37. The Goat Committee decisions as to classification, rules, and complaints will be final. Grievances will be handled in accordance with the grievance policy which can be found at <http://eriefair.com/>

Rules Specific to Market Goats

1. Market goats must be tagged (tattoo LaMancha) at the Fairgrounds on May 9th to be eligible to show or sell. If the exhibitor has a conflict with this date, the exhibitor must make arrangements to have his/her goat brought to the tagging.
2. Market goats must weigh between 50 - 125 pounds, and be a wether or a doe born on or after Jan. 1, 2020.
3. **Exhibitors may tag up to 2 Dairy Market Goats and 2 Boer & Boer Cross-Market Goats. They will be permitted to show 2 market goats at the fair (2 Dairy Market Goats or 2 Boer & Boer Cross Market Goats or 1 Dairy Market Goat and 1 Boer & Boer Cross-Market Goat). Remember, each exhibitor is only permitted 2 trips through each sale. ****Please be aware, exhibitors taking 2 Dairy Market Goats or 2 Boer & Boer Cross Market Goats must find another Erie County Junior Fair exhibitor to show one of their goats, as both goats will be in the same class.****
4. Market goat exhibitors show attire is long black pants, white collared dress shirt or blouse with sleeves (tucked in at waist) and footwear that covers the entire foot. Please pull long hair back. No sandals, low rise pants or midriff tops should be worn.
5. Market goats will be divided into two classes: Dairy Market Kids and Boer & Boer Cross-Market Kids.
6. **The Erie County Fair Market Goat show is a partial terminal show. Only the champion and reserve champion goats must go through the sale and be slaughtered.**
7. Market Goats are the only goat project eligible to sell in the livestock auction on Saturday night.
8. All market goats must be shaved.
9. Those Exhibitors who sell their Market Goat project through the fair auction will be required to submit a written thank you note(s) in order to receive their sale check. Look for further details in the 4-H newsletter and at the fair.
10. **No checks from the Livestock Sale or the Small Project Auction will be mailed! All checks will need to be picked up at the Erie County Fair Sr. Fairboard Office on Saturday, October 17, 2020 from 9am to 1pm. Checks can be picked up by the exhibitor or immediate family member with a valid form of ID. **If the exhibitor or an immediate family member cannot pick up, anyone presenting a signed letter from the exhibitor or the exhibitor's legal guardian can pick up the check.** All checks will require a signature of the person picking up the check.** All sale checks must be cashed by November 25th of the current year or funds are forfeited. This includes issued checks and checks held for not meeting requirements, i.e. Thank you notes or poultry cards not submitted. No exceptions allowed.

Rules Specific to Dairy Goats

1. All dairy goats must be shaved.
2. For dairy goats proper show attire is long white pants, white collared shirt with sleeves (tucked in at waist), and sturdy shoes or boots. Don't forget appropriate undergarments for white clothing. Please pull long hair back. No sandals, low rise pants or midriff tops should be worn.
3. Suggested classes are as follows (these classes may be combined):
 - i. Doe Kids 6 months to one year
 - ii. Doe Kids 13 months to 2 years
 - iii. Doe Kids/Yearling over 2 years to 3 years
 - iv. Aged Does 3 years and over
 - v. Selection of Grand Champion Doe

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1. Pack Goats must be a wether or dry doe.
2. Dairy rules apply first if also showing in a dairy class.
3. Shaving of the pack goat is not required unless the same goat is being shown in a dairy class.
4. Proper show attire includes: long pants, white shirt with a collar, and sturdy shoes or boots appropriate for hiking. Long hair should be pulled back. No open toed shoes, sandals, mid-riff tops, and low rise pants are permitted.
5. Required contents for pack include: 8 hours of supplies for you and your goat; basic first aid kit; and other items as you deem necessary.
6. Exhibitors may exhibit up to two pack goats, with one entry in each class.
7. Pack goat classes:
 - 1 - **single goat with pack**
 - 2 - **pair of goats** joined together with a lead, the lead goat (goat 1) has a pack, the follow goat (goat 2) will be considered a pack goat in training, and will not carry a pack this year.
8. The pack goat that is entered in Class 1 as a single goat may also be entered in class 2 as one of the pair.
9. For class 2, a pair of goats, the goats must be joined with a rope. Rope length should be 4-6 feet. The rope should be attached to the lead goat's back cross-buck with an O ring and a clip. The rope should extend back to goat 2 and be attached at the collar with a clip.
10. There will not be a pack showmanship class. The pack animals will go in either dairy or pygmy showmanship depending on the breed of the pack animal.

Rules Specific to Pygmy/Angora Goats

1. Proper show attire is long black pants, white collared dress shirt or blouse with sleeves (tucked in at waist), and footwear that covers the entire foot. Long hair should be pulled back. Blue jeans, low rise pants, open toed shoes, sandals, and mid-riff tops are not permitted. Clothing should be comfortable and allow for unrestricted movement of the exhibitor.

** For complete Fair Rules and Guidelines see the Erie County Fair Webpage!!

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Dairy & Market Goat Show Order (tentative)

Dairy and Market Goat Showmanship Classes

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Dairy Market Kids

Boer and/or Boer Cross Market Kids

Jr. Dairy Kids - born on or after April 1, 2020

Sr. Dairy Kids - Born on or after January 1, 2020 through March 31, 2020

Dry Yearlings - at least 1 year old and not over 2 years old

Selection of Champion Dairy Kid

Yearlings - at least 1 year old and not over 2 years old IN MILK

Jr. Dairy Does - at least 2 years old and not over 3 years old

Sr. Dairy Does - at least 3 years old and not over 5 years old

Mature Does - at least 5 years and over

Selection of Champion Dairy Doe

Selection of Grand Champion Dairy Goat

Dam & Daughter - Dam & her daughter of any age

Produce of Dam - Two does from the same dam

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Harness Goats

Pygmy Goat Show Order:

Pygmy Showmanship Classes

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Supreme Goat Showmanship (Dairy, Pygmy & Pack winners show for Super Showmanship)

Pygmy Wether under 1 year old

Pygmy Wether over 1 year old and under 2 years old

Pygmy Wether 2 years old and over

Selection of Grand Champion Wether

Jr. Pygmy Doe Kids 2 - 6 months old

Jr. Pygmy Doe Kids 6 - 12 months old

Yearling Does never freshened 12 - 24 months old

Selection of Jr. Champion Pygmy Doe

Milking Does any age

Pygmy Does over 2 years old and under 3 years old

Pygmy Does 3 years old and under 4 years old

Pygmy Does 4 years old and over

Selection of Sr. Champion Pygmy Doe

Selection of Grand Champion Pygmy Doe

Dam & Daughter: dam and daughter of any age

Produce of Dam: two does from the same dam

These rules are reviewed and adopted annually by the Erie County Senior Fair Board and apply to all Junior Fair exhibitors.

*Junior Fair projects may not be sold on the fairgrounds except through the fair project auctions.
For sale signs may not be posted on projects.