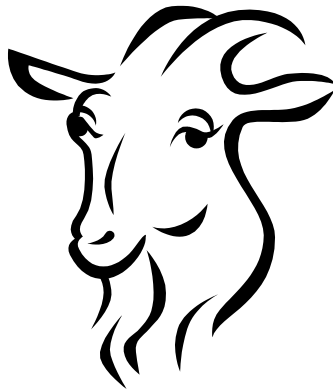


DESOTO COUNTY FAIR



2012 GOAT RULES

2012 DeSoto County Fair Goat Show Rules

2012 Goat Calendar of Events

November 15, 2011 Pre-entries @ 4H Office Due 5:00 PM
TBA Pee Wee Handling @ DeSoto County Fairgrounds @ 11:00 AM
January 6, 2012 Record Books Due @ 4H Office by 5:00 PM
January 25, 2012 Goat Check In 3:00-4:00 PM
January 25, 2012 Costume Contest @ 6:00 PM
January 25, 2012 Goat Show @ 7:00 PM
January 27, 2012 Awards Ceremony @ 5:00 PM

General Fair Rules On behalf of the DeSoto County Fair Association, you are invited to be a part of the Youth Goat Show at the 2012 DeSoto County Fair. The management of the DeSoto County Fair Association reserves the right to amend, add and/or interpret the following rules and regulations, to arbitrarily settle and determine all questions and differences in regard to, or otherwise arising out of, connected with or incidental to the Fair.

The DeSoto County Fair and Livestock Committee assume no responsibility for the safety, loss or well-being of exhibits. However, every reasonable precaution will be observed. The owner or custodian of property of any kind brought to the Fairgrounds, either for exhibit or for other purposes, assumes as a condition of its admission to the grounds, all risk and/or responsibility for its loss, damage or theft. The Fair or its officers cannot and will not accept responsibility or liability for any damage or injury resulting from theft, fire, elements, accidents or other conditions or causes. This applies to the exhibits, property of the Exhibitor, vehicles on the grounds and articles left there or any other property of any nature whatsoever.

Exhibitors must reside in DeSoto County and be currently enrolled and actively attending a DeSoto County elementary, middle or high school program. *Exceptions may be made on a case by case basis; a written request must be submitted to the DeSoto County Fair by November 15th to the Goat Chairman of the DeSoto County Fair Association.* Exhibitors must be a bona fide member of a chartered 4-H or FFA program and be 8 years of age and no older than 19 years of age as of September 1, 2011. The Fair Board and Livestock Committee will reserve the right to ask for proof of school attendance. All 4-H and FFA leaders/advisors will furnish an attendance record to the Livestock Chairman on January 6, 2012. Each Exhibitor must meet the requirements of the 4-H or FFA to be eligible to participate at the Fair. Exhibitors and parents should not be under the influence of a controlled substance or alcohol.

Physical conditions of Exhibitors which management considers being a problem in the show or sale may result in the management rejecting entry or participation in the show or sale.

Each Exhibitor must assume all liability in case of death or injury to his/her animal until the end of the fair or until the animal is removed from the fairgrounds, at which time market animals become the liability of the purchaser.

The Livestock Committee reserves the right to reject or require removal of any animal because of health, unmanageability or inferior quality, **at any time during the fair.**

All protests must be in writing, stating plainly the complaint, be accompanied by a fee of \$50.00, which shall be forfeited to the Fair Association, in case the protest is not sustained and must be delivered to the Fair Management within 24 hours after the cause of protest.

Any persons who knowingly violate any of these rules and provisions forfeit all rights, privileges and premiums.

Age determination of showmanship and record book awards shall be based on the Exhibitor's age as of September 1, prior to the fair. Awards shall be divided into three classes: Junior Ages 8-11, Intermediate Ages 12-14 and Senior Ages 15-19. Premiums will be paid on the basis of the judging reports.

The Livestock Show Categories are Market Steer, Heifer, Market Swine, Poultry, Rabbits and Goats. Entry by Exhibitor expressly implies their willingness to accept the decision of all judges.

There will be a non-refundable registration fee of \$25.00 due at the mandatory meeting. The fee will entitle a week fair pass for the Exhibitor and 2 parents/guardians. Additional passes may be purchased. This fee does not include a Fair Membership as in past years.

DESOTO COUNTY FAIR YOUTH GOAT SHOW
January 25, 2012
DESOTO COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS

Please make checks payable to: DeSoto County Fair Association
Please send all entries to: DeSoto County Fair Association

ATTN: Michelle Fields, Goat Chairman
PO Box 970
Arcadia, FL 34265

Base Show Date January 25, 2012

All animals must be owned by November 15, 2011 and all entries must be turned in to the Goat Chairman by November 15, 2011. There will be a limit of four (4) goats per exhibitor all forms must be mailed to DeSoto County Fair Association, PO Box 970, Arcadia, FL 34265. If any exhibitor has two goats in one class it is the Exhibitor's responsibility to have a handler at the show to show their animal; the handler must be dressed in show attire.

Arrival: Check-in will begin at 3:00 PM and end by 4:00 PM. A Florida Department of Agricultural Livestock Inspector will be checking animals before they are allowed into the holding area/show arena.

Show Attire: Black pants and white shirt with collar are MANDATORY. Closed-toed shoes or boots are required. No hats or caps are allowed. Exhibitors not conforming to the dress code will not be allowed to enter the ring. FFA and 4H Authorized uniform dress is encouraged.

Judging: Judging will begin by 7:00 PM on Wednesday, January 25, 2012. Youth Showmanship Divisions are:

1. PeeWees 4 (Showmanship Only)
2. Clover Buds 5-7
3. Junior Division 8-10
4. Intermediate Division 11-13
5. Senior Division 14-18

Ages as of September 1, 2011

Health Rules:

1. Health papers are required. All goats must be accompanied by official certificates of veterinary inspection dated not more than 30 days prior, certifying animals to be free from symptoms of contagious or infectious diseases. Health Certificates must include the scrappie tag number, tattoo number, age and goat's name.

2. Dairy goats originating from Florida (not imported) are exempt from TB/Brucellosis testing requirements. All imported dairy goats 6 months of age or older must originate from a certified/accredited herd (with appropriate documentation), or have verifiable documented negative testing results recorded on the OCVI.
3. The USDA Premise Identification Number must appear on the health certificate. Premise ID # may be obtained by calling USDA office at (352) 333-3120.
4. The specific code of the Florida Administrative Code (Chapter 5C-4.005) will be followed.
5. The livestock inspector has the final decision on whether animals satisfy all health requirements. Presenting obviously unhealthy animals may, subject to the ruling of the show committee, result in the entire herd's disqualification from the show.

General:

1. There are no pens at the fair grounds; **all exhibitors are to provide for their own pens.**
2. No parents or unauthorized people will be allowed in the show ring once the show starts.
3. Pictures will be taken in the authorized area behind the show ring.
4. Dairy goats must be dehorned, disbudded, or naturally polled.
5. Dogs are not allowed in barn.
6. No awards will be given to any animal in any class, if in the opinion of the judge does not meet standards. Any discrepancies. ADGA shall prevail.
7. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to properly feed, water, milk and care for their animals. Failure to do so will result in exhibitor's prohibition from showing at this venue the following year.
8. Over uddering of dairy goats is frowned upon. The judge shall have the authority to excuse animals from the ring for removal of excess milk.
9. Please leave the grounds as you found them. All bedding and trash **MUST** be removed and put into proper containers before leaving the grounds.
10. Once exhibitor's area has been inspected an exit slip will be issued and may be exchanged for premiums at the awards ceremony.

Eligibility: Exhibitors must reside in DeSoto County and be currently enrolled and actively attending a DeSoto County Elementary, Middle or High School program. *Exceptions may be made on a case by case basis; a written request must be submitted to the DeSoto County Fair by November 15th to the Goat Chairman of the DeSoto County Fair Association.* Exhibitors must be a bona fide member of a chartered 4H or FFA program. Also, be 8 years of age and no older than 19 years of age as of September 1, 2011. The Fair Board and Livestock Committee will reserve the right to ask proof of school attendance. All 4H and FFA Leaders/Advisors will furnish an attendance record to the Livestock Chairman on January 6, 2012. Each exhibitor must meet the requirements of the 4H or FFA to be eligible to participate at the Fair.

Record Book: All exhibitors must turn in a completed record book by 5:00 PM on January 6, 2012 to the DeSoto County 4H office. Records books must be in a folder with the exhibitor's name and club displayed on the front. Winning Books will be announced on awards night. Record books will be judged on the following scale of points using the Danish Judging system:

Project Scope.....	25
Project Work.....	15
Demonstrations.....	5
Exhibit.....	5

Story.....	30
Neatness & Accuracy.....	10
All statements & figures accurate.....	10
TOTAL SCORE.....	100

Responsibility: The DeSoto County Fair Association assumes no responsibility of the loss or damage of any exhibit. All reasonable effort will be made to protect properties and exhibits. No sick, diseased, or infected animals will be allowed to remain on the fair grounds. The barn superintendent, goat chairman and assistant chairman have the authority to remove such animal and place in quarantined area. The owner will be notified and be allowed to pick the animal up.

Record Books: 1st Place \$20.00/Ribbon
 2nd Place \$15.00/Ribbon
 3rd Place \$10.00/Ribbon

Dairy Grand Champion: \$20.00
 Dairy Reserve Grand Champion \$15.00

Meat Grand Champion \$20.00
 Meat Reserve Grand Champion \$15.00

Whether Grand Champion \$20.00
 Whether Reserve Grand Champion \$15.00

Pygmy Grand Champion \$20.00
 Pygmy Reserve Grand Champion \$15.00

Blue Ribbon: \$20.00
 Red Ribbon: \$15.00
 White Ribbon: \$10.00

Showmanship:

Pee Wees 1st Place Trophy/Ribbon
 2nd Place Trophy/Ribbon
 3rd Place Trophy/Ribbon

Clover Buds 1st Place Trophy/Ribbon
 2nd Place Trophy/Ribbon
 3rd Place Trophy/Ribbon

Junior 1st Place Belt Buckle/Blue Ribbon
 2nd Place Trophy/Red Ribbon
 3rd Place Trophy/White Ribbon

Intermediate 1st Place Belt Buckle/Blue Ribbon
 2nd Place Trophy/Red Ribbon
 3rd Place Trophy/White Ribbon

Seniors 1st Place Belt Buckle/Blue Ribbon
2nd Place Trophy/Red Ribbon
3rd Place Trophy/White Ribbon

GOAT EDUCATIONAL POSTER: All exhibitors must turn in an Educational poster for judging. Posters must be turned in during the designated 4H time. Posters must be done on a 22"x28" poster board or a 20"x30" foam board. The purpose of the poster is to help educate the public about goats. The required information is as follows: name, age and club name. The poster will be on display during the fair in the 4H project area. The poster must be removed during the scheduled release time. Posters where it is apparent that the work was done by parents or others will not be judged.

DEMONSTRATIONS: Exhibitor's must give a pre-fair talk or demonstration. This must be in the area of your project animal. Exhibitors must submit a script from the talk, a grade sheet from your demonstration or a letter from the 4H leader stating the date and topic demonstrated. All must be signed by the 4H leader and submitted with your project book. A demonstration is required in order to qualify for the All Around Herdsman Award.

ALL AROUND HERDSMAN AWARD: The All Around Herdsman competition is a supplement to the current animal show, ring premiums, and rewards that are based on exhibitor's participation in a wide variety of educational events. Points accrue in the following areas: Demonstration, Record Books, Posters, etc.

Clover buds: 1st Place Trophy/Ribbon
2nd Place Rosette
3rd Place Ribbon

Juniors: 1st Place Trophy/\$20.00
2nd Place Rosette/\$15.00
3rd Place Ribbon/\$10.00

Intermediate: 1st Place Trophy/\$20.00
2nd Place Rosette/\$15.00
3rd Place Ribbon/\$10.00

Seniors: 1st Place Trophy/\$20.00
2nd Place Rosette/\$15.00
3rd Place Ribbon/\$10.00

SOME REVISIONS MAY BE MADE BY FAIR BOARD DECISION

PEE WEE RULES

1. Exhibitors must be 4 years old as of September 1, 2011. There must be three exhibitor's registered to hold a Pee Wee Class
2. All Pee Wees must register by November 15, 2011
3. Exhibitors must show and exhibit their own goat.
4. Horned goats are not permitted.
5. All Goat Barn and Exhibitor rules as stated under the Goat Dept. must be followed.
6. Exhibitor must attend pre-Fair clinics & showmanship classes.
7. Exhibitor must submit a Goat Educational Poster and Goat Record Book about their goat

project.

8. PeeWees must attend handling demonstration with their goat TBA.

DAIRY GOAT CLASSES

Senior Does

- DS1. Milkers - under 2 years of age
- DS2. Milkers - 2 years old and under 3 years
- DS3. Milkers - 3 years old and under 5 years
- DS4. Milkers - 5 years old and older

Junior Does

- (Any Doe under 24 months that has never freshened)
- DJ5. Junior Doe Kids - under 6 months of age
- DJ6. Senior Doe Kids - over 6 months and under 12 months
- DJ7. Doelings - 12 months old and under 24 months

NIGERIAN DWARF

Senior Does

- NDS8. Does under 2 years old
- NDS9. Does 2 years old and under 3 years
- NDS10. Does 3 years old and under 5 years
- NDS11. Does 5 years and older

Junior Does

- (Any Doe under 24 months that has never freshened)
- NDJ12. Junior Doe kid, under 6 months
- NDJ13. Senior Doe kid, over 6 months and under 12 months
- NDJ14. Doelings, 12 months old and under 24 months

BOER GOAT CLASSES

Junior Does

- BJ15. Junior Doe - under 4 months of age
- BJ16. Junior Doe - 4 months to under 8 months of age
- BJ17. Junior Doe - 8 months to under 12 months of age
- BJ18. Junior Doe - 12 months to under 18 months of age
- BJ19. Junior Doe - 18 months to 24 months of age
- BJ20. Junior Doe – 24 months to 36 months of age

Senior Does

(All Senior Does must have reproduced by natural birth)

- S20. Senior Doe - 12 months to under 18 months of age
- S21. Senior Doe - 18 months to under 24 months of age
- S22. Senior Doe - 24 months to under 3 years of age
- S23. Senior Doe - 3 years of age and over

PYGMY GOAT CLASSES

- P24. Doe - under 6 months of age
- P25. Doe - 6 months to under 12 months of age
- P26. Doe - 12 months of age or older

WETHER CLASSES

All entries will be weighed prior to show to determine class.
No goats will be sold. All goats will remain property of owner or exhibitor.

Dairy Wether

- DW27. Light Weight Class - 0-30 pounds
- DW28. Medium Weight Class - over 30 pounds to 50 pounds

DW29. Heavy Weight Class - over 50 pounds

Nigerian Dwarf Wether

NDW30. Light Weight Class - 0 - 30 pounds

NDW31. Medium Weight Class - over 30 pounds to 50 pounds

NDW32. Heavy Weight Class - over 50 pounds

Boer Wether

BW33. Light Weight Class - 0 - 50 pounds

BW34. Medium Weight Class - 50 - 75 pounds

BW35. Heavy Weight Class - over 75 pounds

Pygmy Wether

PW36. Light 0-30

PW37. Medium 30-50

PW38. Heavy Over 50

Goat Budget

Judge:	\$300.00
Buckles:	\$ 1,000.00
Trophies:	\$ 1,000.00
<u>Ribbons, etc:</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>
TOTAL BUDGET:	\$2,500.00