

## GOAT DEPARTMENT

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Junior Leaders:

1. All general rules and regulations for the CMR Farm Show, including the Animal Exhibitor Code of Conduct, shall govern the Goat Department; along with the additional department-specific rules listed below.
2. All goats must be under the care of the exhibitor no later than May 6, 2026, to include both breeding and market entries.
3. In order to be eligible for show and/or sell, all market projects must be officially tagged and weighed-in from 5:00-6:00 pm on May 6, 2026 at the Culpeper Agricultural Enterprises (10220 James Monroe Hwy). This event will mark the start of the market project. Exhibitors may tag-in no more than 3 market goat project animals at the official weigh-in. Males must show evidence of banding or castration at weigh-in.
4. Exhibitors will be eligible to sell no more than 2 market goat projects at the CMR Farm Show Sale. Sale declarations, not to exceed the 2 head maximum per exhibitor, shall be made within one hour of the conclusion of official weigh-in during the CMR Farm Show.
5. Breeding show entries shall not exceed 2 entries per class by any single exhibitor.
6. Total project goats exhibited, to include both market and breeding shows, shall not exceed 10 entries per exhibitor.
7. All ear tags must be permanently attached to the goat's ear. Should a project goat lose the official identification that was assigned and/or recorded, either at the beginning project weigh-in (market) or at the time of entry (breeding), please notify the Department Head immediately.
8. Upon death or a severe, persistent health problem of a project animal, occurring prior to June 3, 2026, that has been officially weighed and/or entered, the exhibitor will have the option of replacing that project animal to ensure participation. This act is fully, and ultimately, contingent upon the approval of show management (Department Head, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, CMR Farm Show Executive Board Members, and the Extension Office).
9. All goats must comply with the Federal Scrapie Eradication Program guidelines.
10. Upon arrival at the CMR Farm Show, all animals must be free of contagious or infectious diseases and conditions in order to be eligible for show and/or sale. Show management, to include but not limited to, the Department Head, Veterinarian, CMR Farm Show Executive Board Members, and the Extension Office, have the right to refuse any entry that they deem unhealthy, unfit, or otherwise inappropriate. Any animals deemed unhealthy or unfit must be removed from the show grounds immediately.
11. All exhibitors must show their own entries. Should an exhibitor have more than one entry in a single class or is exhibiting his/her entries in a group class setting, he or she may enlist the assistance of another eligible 4-H or FFA member. Permission of substitute show persons at the CMR Farm Show is contingent upon approval of show management.
12. Market goat entries may be either fully castrated males (wethers) or females (does). All dairy goat entries must be females (does).
13. All male entries must be fully castrated. This includes completely healed from a castration procedure and showing no evidence of remaining testicular tissue at the time of CMR.
14. All animals should be dehorned. Should horns be a desirable breed characteristic, the entry must be reviewed by show management, upon arrival at the CMR Farm Show, for safety purposes. Exceptions may be made if horns are tipped, dulled, or blunted. Any animals ruled a safety hazard, to either the exhibitor or others, will not be allowed to show and/or sell.
15. Entry fees will be \$8/head for each, non-sale market entry and all breeding entries. Each sale-market entry will be charged a \$25/head entry fee (increased fee includes a buyer's rosette, further buyer recognition, and the buyer's dinner).
16. **All entries must be submitted by June 6, 2026. All entry information will be on our web site [www.cmrfarmshow.com](http://www.cmrfarmshow.com). The Secretary will be available at the Culpeper Agriculture Enterprises on Saturday June 6, 2026 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm for assistance with entries.**
17. Show management reserves the right to either split, combine, or eliminate any class(es) offered at the time of entry. The decision of Show Management will stand as final on this matter.
18. Individual class premiums will be awarded as follows: 1st-\$6.00, 2nd-\$5.00, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.00, 5th-\$2.00 and 6th-\$1.00, this holds for all market and breeding classes. Premiums for showmanship will be awarded at the following rates: 1st- \$12.00, 2nd-\$10.00, 3rd-\$8.00, 4th-\$6.00, 5th- \$4.00 and 6th-\$4.00. Only participation ribbons, with no associated premiums, will be given to youth ages 5-8 who are participating in the Cloverbud showmanship division.
19. All exhibitors will be required to show in their appropriate showmanship class, based upon age, using their own project animal unless approved by the Goat Department, CMR Farm Show Executive Board and the Extension Office.
20. Exhibitors must both provide the panels for and set-up their individual pen space allotted for exhibition. Pens shall not be larger than 5'x5' in perimeter. Exhibitors are expected to bring 4 (5 ft. long) panels in order to create the border for their allotted space. Should additional pens be allotted per exhibitor, based upon the number of that individual's entries, the same rule holds for each additional pen space assigned. Should an exhibitor bring panels that do not fit the aforementioned parameters, show management reserves the right to ask the exhibitor to remove the panels and to provide panels that meet the creation of a complete, 5'x5' pen.
21. All stalling/penning assignments will be made at the show managers' discretion.
22. All participants must wear protective, closed-toe shoes; clogs and sandals are not acceptable. Exhibitors should be clean and well-groomed. All attire must be "4-H appropriate"; to include but not limited to, no negative indecent language or symbols, no excessively tight or short garments, no exposed undergarments, no clothing with tears or slashes, no halter/tube tops, no tank tops with a strap less than two inches in width, no bosom exposed, and no exposed midriff. Dairy goat exhibitors should wear "dairy whites".

23. All Market and Commercial doe goat projects will be weighed and subsequently broken into classes based upon the recorded weight at the final weigh-in. A minimum of 60 lbs. and a maximum of 120 lbs. will be required of all market animal entries to be eligible for sale. Exhibitors are encouraged, but not required, to exhibit their market goat project in the 75-95 lb. weight range.

24. All market goat entries must be born on October 1 or later of the previous calendar year.

25. Female, market-breed type does, may either be shown based upon their final weight in the market portion of the show or they may be exhibited based upon age or weight in the breeding portion of the show. They shall not be exhibited in both the market and the breeding divisions of the show. Does that are chosen to exhibit in the market portion of the show must meet all initial tagging and weigh-in requirements of a market entry.

26. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion market animal entries are required to be sold. The sale of any market goats, outside of the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Goats, at the CMR Farm Show is optional.

27. Only goats being exhibited at the CMR Fair will be allowed on the fairgrounds.

**DAIRY GOATS** Classification – Alpine, AOB, AIG / other breeds, Nigerian, Nubian, Saanen, Lamancha, Recorded Grade

**SHOWMANSHIP:**

- Novice Showmanship (12&under, 1st Year)
- Senior Showmanship (ages 16 – 19)
- Intermediate Showmanship (ages 13 – 15)
- Junior Showmanship (ages 9-12)
- Herdsman Showmanship (ages 5 – 8)

**DOE CLASSES:**

- Milkers, under 23 months and under
- Milkers, 2 & 3 years old
- Milkers, 4-6 years old
- Milkers, 7 years old and older
- Best Udder
- Junior doe kids born on or after April 1
- Intermediate doe kids born March 1–31
- Senior doe kids born on or before February 28
- Dry doe yearlings – over one year and under 2 years, never freshened

**SPECIALTY CLASSES:**

- Best Dairy Herd, Exhibitor's Choice of 3 Does
- Get of Sire – 3 does, any age
- Produce of Dam – 2 does, any age
- Dam & Daughter – any age

**MEAT GOATS** Classification - Boer or Boer Type

**SHOWMANSHIP:**

- Novice Showmanship- (12&under, 1st Year)
- Senior Showmanship (ages 16 – 19)
- Intermediate Showmanship (ages 13 – 15)
- Junior Showmanship (ages 9-12)
- Herdsman Showmanship (ages 5 – 8)

**BREEDING CLASSES, Junior Doe:**

- Doe kids 9-12 Months, (August–November)
- Doe kids 4-8 Months, (December–March)

**BREEDING CLASSES, Senior Doe:**

- Yearling doe, 13-24 Months
- Two-year old doe, 25-36 Months
- Three-year old doe, 37-48 Months
- Does over 48 Months

**SPECIALTY CLASSES:**

- Doe and offspring
- Produce of Dam (two offspring of same doe, any age)
- Get of sire (three offspring of same buck, any age)
- Best of Three, Exhibitors choice
- Bred & Owned(see general rules for requirements)

**MARKET KID CLASS**

- Class will be divided into heats. Heats will be determined by weight on show day

**MISCELLANEOUS CLASSES** Open to all goat exhibitors

- Costume Class – (all ages, \*\*\*\*\*class will be held following the end of the Dairy Show\*\*\*\*\*)
- Barn Display (Dairy and/or Meat)
- Scrapbook (Dairy and/or Meat)

