



GOAT SHOW TIME

Dairy Goat Show:
Wednesday, July 22 - 9:00 a.m.
Market Goat Show:
Wednesday, July 22 – 12:30 a.m.
Pack Obstacle Classes:
Friday, July 24 – 1:00 p.m.
Civitas Arena Show Ring

Superintendent
Katy Hamill & Lakayla Vincent

GOATS
4-H/FFA CLASSES COMBINED



GOAT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:

1. All animals must:
 - Originate from herds not under quarantine.
 - Be free of contagious disease, parasites, and other illnesses.
 - Animals deemed by the Superintendent to be unhealthy to show and/or sell at auction, or to pose health or safety risk to other livestock and/or the public will be disqualified and sent home from the Fair.
2. The USDA's Scrapie Eradication Program will be enforced at the Arapahoe County Fair. This regulation requires sheep and goats to have a Scrapie ear tag that lists their flock of origin. If your animals fall into any of the categories listed, they will be required to have Scrapie ear tags to be admitted on the grounds and shown at the Fair. Animals requiring Scrapie tags are:
3. Goats:
 - All breeding goats and all does shown as market goats. Additionally, all goats 18 months of age or older that are or have been commingled with sheep (including wethers).
 - Exception: Registered goats with no sheep contact may use tattoos with Breed Registration Numbers in place of Scrapie tags.
 - A purchased animal should have the seller's Scrapie tag. An animal you raised should have your Scrapie tag. Contact your veterinarian for tags.
4. The exhibitor must strictly comply with Meat, Milk and Egg Quality Assurance Standards and withdrawal periods for any medications given to livestock.



FAIR EXHIBIT ENTRY:

1. All entries made in this department are subject to the Arapahoe County Fair General Rules and Livestock Rules. Please carefully read all rules.
2. Exhibit entry is required for all 4-H/FFA Animal exhibits by entry deadline, Monday, June 15, 2026.
3. Late entries will be accepted up until Monday, June 22, 2026 with a late fee of \$25.00 per exhibitor. Late fees can be paid by mailing a check to:

Arapahoe County Extension Office
Attn: Fair Entry
6934 S Lima St, Suite B
Centennial, CO 80112
4. After Monday, June 22, 2026, absolutely no entries will be accepted.
5. Entry will be done online at [Arapahoecounty.Fairentry.com](https://www.fairentry.com).



PROJECT EXHIBIT ELIGIBILITY:

1. Exhibitors must be enrolled in the Dairy and Market Goat Projects in order to enter the Dairy and Market goat Shows.
2. Exhibitors must have continuously owned and personally cared for their animals since:
 - May 1, 2026 - Dairy and Market Goat
 - Kids born after May 1 from project animals are exempt.
3. All goat exhibits must arrive between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. and be in place by 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 21. Late exhibit arrivals are subject to a \$25 late fee at the discretion of the superintendent.
4. All Goats must remain at the Fairgrounds until all other livestock is released on Sunday, July 26 at 5:00 p.m.
5. Water containers for goats must be attached to the pen to minimize spilling.
6. Buck goats born prior to Jan 1, of the current year will not be allowed on the Fairgrounds.
7. All goats must be naturally polled or disbudded prior to the Fair, except for Cashmere, Angora, Pygmy, Breeding Boer and Pack goats.





8. Goats must be led with a collar, chain, halter, etc. as recommended by your breed's national guidelines. No pinch, pronged, or training collars will be allowed.
9. Crossbred goats may show in only one class. (i.e. a Hair/Pygmy cross can be shown either as a Hair goat or as Pygmy goat. It cannot show in both classes.)
10. It is not the intention of the Arapahoe County Fair Planning committee to set up individual classes for every conceivable type of goat. A class should have at least three goats to make up a competitive class. When less than three goats are entered in a class, the superintendent may allow individual entries to be judged or may combine classes at his/her discretion. Large classes may be split into smaller classes.

11. Paints, powders, or colors may not be used on goats in the show ring.
12. In all goat classes, the front feet of the goat must remain on the show ring floor while showing. Animals should not be lifted for an extended period of time.
13. If an exhibitor fails to keep all four legs on the ground, it may result in immediate disqualification from their showmanship class.
14. The front feet can be picked up to set the animal and then placed back down on the floor.
15. Exhibitors will receive one verbal warning from the ring steward. The second offense will result in the loss of Fair premiums for all goat classes.
16. Show order for classes will be posted in the stall areas, show ring and the 4-H Fair office.



**DIVISION – DAIRY GOAT
SHOWMANSHIP**

- CLASS 706: Senior
CLASS 707: Intermediate
CLASS 708: Junior



1. Dairy Goat Showmanship is required for all 4-H members showing dairy, pygmy, fiber, or utility goats at the Arapahoe County Fair.
2. If an exhibitor exhibits in both Dairy and Market goat at the Fair, they must do showmanship in both projects.
3. Exhibitors must enter and show their own animal.
4. ADGA, NPGA, and AAGBA showmanship rules will apply. Check your breed standard books for appropriate attire, type of collar used and important breed showing information.
5. The judge will evaluate showmanship based on the following:
 - Appearance of animal
 - Showing of animal
 - Knowledge of project
 - Appearance and courtesy to other exhibitors
6. The dairy goat showmanship contest will be divided into three age divisions classes as follows:
 - Junior division, Ages 8-10, as of Dec. 31, 2025
 - Intermediate division, Ages 11-13, as of Dec. 31, 2025
 - Senior division, Ages 14-18, as of Dec. 31, 2025

**DIVISION - DAIRY GOATS
(SWISS, NUBIAN AND DWARF)**

1. Dairy goat lots will be divided into three classification types and will be shown as follows:
 - Nubian type: all purebred, recorded grade Nubians, and any grade does with the dropping ear. LaManchas show as Nubian type.
 - Swiss type: all Swiss purebreds, recorded grades, and any grade does with erect ears.
 - Dwarf type: Nigerian dwarf purebred or grades that are generally classified as dwarf type dairy goats.
2. Any uncertainties as to what class does will be shown in shall be left to the discretion of the superintendent.
3. A champion and reserve champion will be chosen from each dairy goat type: Swiss, Nubian and Dwarf.
4. The champions will return to the ring at the end of the dairy goat show to compete for Best Goat of Show and Reserve Best Goat of Show. The Reserve Champion Goat in the same class as the winner of Best Goat of Show may be brought into the competition for Reserve Best Goat of Show at the discretion of the judge.

**NUBIAN**

Dairy Goat Age For Each Class

CLASS 709: Jr Kid (May 1-June 29, 2026)

CLASS 710: Int Kid (April 1- April 30, 2026)

CLASS 711: Sr Kid (Jan 1- March 31, 2026)

CLASS 712: Buck Kid (Jan 1-June 29, 2026)

CLASS 713: Dry Yearling (under 2 years)

CLASS 714: Milking yearling (under 2)

CLASS 715: 2 year old

CLASS 716: 3 year old and over

**SWISS**

CLASS 717: Jr Kid (May 1-June 29, 2026)

CLASS 718: Int Kid (April 1- April 30, 2026)

CLASS 719: Sr Kid (Jan 1- March 31, 2026)

CLASS 720: Buck Kid (Jan 1-June 29, 2026)

CLASS 721: Dry Yearling (under 2 years)

CLASS 722: Milking yearling (under 2)

CLASS 723: 2 year old

CLASS 724: 3 year old and over

**DWARF**

CLASS 725: Jr Kid (May 1-June 29, 2026)

CLASS 726: Int Kid (April 1- April 30, 2026)

CLASS 727: Sr Kid (Jan 1- March 31, 2026)

CLASS 728: Buck Kid (Jan 1-June 29, 2026)

CLASS 729: Dry Yearling (under 2 years)

CLASS 730: Milking yearling (under 2)

CLASS 731: 2 year old

CLASS 732: 3 year old and over



DIVISION - HAIR (FIBER) GOATS

CLASS 733: Jr Kid (May 1-June 29, 2026)
CLASS 734: Int Kid (April 1- April 30, 2026)
CLASS 735: Sr Kid (Jan 1- March 31, 2026)
CLASS 736: Buck Kid (Jan 1-June 29, 2026)
CLASS 737: Dry Yearling (under 2 years)
CLASS 738: Milking yearling (under 2)
CLASS 739: 2 year old
CLASS 740: 3 year old and over



1. One hair goat class will be offered for any age breed-Angora, Cashmere or crossbred doe (Bucks born prior to January 1, 2026 are not allowed).
2. Hair goats will be judged based on fiber characteristics of the hair. Goats that do not match fiber production standards may be placed in a different class at the discretion of the superintendent or judge.



DIVISION - PYGMY GOATS

CLASS 741: Jr Kid (May 1-June 29, 2026)
CLASS 742: Int Kid (April 1- April 30, 2026)
CLASS 743: Sr Kid (Jan 1- March 31, 2026)
CLASS 744: Buck Kid (Jan 1-June 29, 2026)
CLASS 745: Dry Yearling (under 2 years)
CLASS 746: Milking yearling (under 2)
CLASS 747: 2 year old
CLASS 748: 3 year old and over



1. Goats will be classified by age the same as Dairy Goats.
2. Pygmy goats will be evaluated by the National Pygmy Goat Association Standards.



DIVISION - DAM & DAUGHTER DAIRY/FIBER/PYGMY

CLASS 749: Dam and Daughter



1. No bucks or wethers are allowed in this class.
2. The same exhibitor must own both Dam and Daughter.
3. Dam may be any age and any breed.
4. Daughter must have been born while dam is owned by exhibitor.
5. Daughter should show how the breed is being improved via breeding.



DIVISION - BRED & FED DAIRY GOAT

CLASS 750: Bred & Fed Dairy Goat



1. See 4-H Livestock and Small Animal Rules for Contest Rules



DIVISION – MARKET GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS 751: Senior Showmanship
CLASS 752: Intermediate Showmanship
CLASS 753: Junior Showmanship



1. Market Goat Showmanship is required for all 4-H/FFA members showing market or breeding market goats at the Arapahoe County Fair.
2. If an exhibitor exhibits in both Dairy and Market goat at the Fair, they must do showmanship in both projects.
3. Exhibitors must enter and show their own animal.
4. Market animals must be used for showmanship classes. If a member does not show market animals and only shows breeding of that species, then and only then may they use a breeding animal for showmanship.
5. ABGA showmanship rules will apply. Check your breed standard books for appropriate attire and important breed showing information.
6. The judge will evaluate showmanship based on the following:
 - Appearance of animal
 - Showing of animal
 - Knowledge of project
 - Appearance and courtesy to other exhibitors
7. The market goat showmanship contest will be divided into three age divisions as follows:
 - Junior division, Ages 8-10, as of Dec. 31, 2025
 - Intermediate division, Ages 11-13, as of Dec. 31, 2025
 - Senior division, Ages 14-18, as of Dec. 31, 2025



DIVISION – BREEDING BOER GOATS

CLASS 754: Jr Kid (May 1 – June 29, 2026)
CLASS 755: Int Kid (April 1- April 30, 2026)
CLASS 756: Sr Kid (Jan 1- March 31, 2026)
CLASS 757: Buck Kid (Jan 1-June 29, 2026)
CLASS 758: Dry Yearling (under 2 years)
CLASS 759: Yearling Doe
CLASS 760: 2 Year Old
CLASS 761: 3 Year old and over



1. Goats will be judged based on meat type characteristics. Goats that do not conform to meat production standards may be placed in a different class at the discretion of the superintendent or judge.



DIVISION – DAM & DAUGHTER BREEDING BOER

CLASS 762: Dam & Daughter Boer



1. No bucks or wethers are allowed in this class.
2. The same exhibitor must own both Dam and Daughter.
3. Dam may be any age and any breed.
4. Daughter must have been born while dam is owned by exhibitor.
5. Daughter should show how the breed is being improved via breeding.



DIVISION – DIVISION –BRED & FED MARKET AND BREEDING BOER

CLASS 763: Bred & Fed Breeding Boer

CLASS 770: Bred & Fed Market Goat



1. See 4-H Livestock And Small Animal Rules for Contest Rules



MARKET GOAT CLASSES

CLASS 764: All



1. Market goats must be castrated and healed as much as possible prior to the spring goat weigh-in. Bucks are not allowed.
2. Animals must weigh a minimum of 50 pounds and a maximum of 120 pounds for market classes and sale. May be any breed and either sex born on or after January 1, 2026.
3. Feeder classes will be established for goats that do not make weight or are over the maximum weight.
4. Animals below minimum weight or above maximum weight are not eligible for sale.
5. Market goats will be weighed immediately following beef on Tuesday, July 21. See 4-H Livestock And Small Animal Rules for specific weigh-in rules and sale rules.
6. Market goats must be disbudded or blunt tipped (not less than the diameter of a dime at the end). Tipping of horns is not allowed on the Fairgrounds.
7. Market goats must still have their milk teeth intact at the time of the show. No exceptions.
8. Market goats must be slick shorn, with no indication of blocking, to 3/8 inch or less above the knees and hock joints to include the head but excluding the tail switch PRIOR to being weighed-in at county fair.
9. Animals are judged on individual merit. The judge reserves the right to not award a blue ribbon if there is only one entry. Champion or Reserve Champion may or may not be awarded at the discretion of the judge.
10. Market goats will show by weight classes not breed. The superintendent will make the classes as even as possible according to weight distribution. An exhibitor having more than one market goat with uniform weights may end up with two or more animals in the same class.
11. If an exhibitor in a market class ends up with two animals in the same class, they can elect to move one animal up to the next heavier weight class but not down to the lighter class or they may ask an Arapahoe County 4-H/FFA member in good standing to show for them in the same class.



PREMIER EXHIBITOR

CLASS 771: Premier Goat Exhibitor



1. Please refer to Special Contests for Premier Exhibitor Award rules in 4-H Livestock and Small Animal Rules.



DIVISION - UTILITY CONFORMATION

CLASS 772: Goats under 1 yr.

CLASS 773: Goats 1 yr. and over



1. Utility conformation is any breed goat shown without a pack or cart.
2. Judge will consider the conformation and ability of the goat to serve as a successful pack or cart animal.
3. Utility conformation goats must be large, strong, and agile, suited for packing loads on a mountain trek or to pull a cart or wagon.
4. No trophy or Tool of the Project award is given for this class.

GOAT PACK OBSTACLE FUN EVENT

Friday, July 24 – 1:00 p.m. Civitas Arena



1. This event is open to youth and adults of any age.
2. Goats may be shown with a pack.
3. Fanny packs will not be allowed.
4. Participation ribbons will be given.
5. Participants do not need to own a goat.
6. Participants do not need to be enrolled in 4-H.



GOATS UNDER 1 YR.

CLASS 774 Senior Member

CLASS 775 Intermediate Member

CLASS 776 Junior Member



GOATS OVER 1 YEAR

CLASS 777 Senior Member

CLASS 778 Intermediate Member

CLASS 779 Junior Member



DIVISION - LIVESTOCK COSTUME CONTEST

CLASS 540:



1. See 4-H Livestock And Small Animal Rules for Contest Rules