

MINNESOTA STATE FAIR

Aug. 24-Sept. 4, 2017

2017

Minnesota State Fair

FFA Meat Goats Premium Book

August 24 – September 4, 2017





Superintendent Duane Hutton, Winona, Minn.

Board Liaison Paul Merkins, Stewart, Minn.

The Minnesota State Fair pays in excess of \$1.2 million in cash awards in its agriculture, horticulture, education and creative contests.

The Minnesota State Fair is not responsible for special awards offered by other organizations.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS

Beef cattle Ed Barrett
 Dairy cattle Jason Kaare
 Swine Clair Drescher
 Sheep Dusty Swenson
 Market goats Tim Larson
 Farm crops Tom Vold
 Landscape Design
 Agriculture Technology Joel Larsen
 Judging Contests Dr. Curtis Norenberg
 Tractor Driving Al Stemper
 Dorms Ed Terry
 CHS Miracle of Birth Center Jim Ertl

JUDGES

Beef cattle, Ring 1 (AgStar North) Brady Jensen, Courtland, Kan.
 Beef cattle, Ring 2 (AgStar South) Emily Griffiths, Kendallville, Ind.
 Dairy cattle, Ring 1 (AgStar North) Jared Tessmer, Loretto, Minn.
 Dairy cattle, Ring 2 (AgStar South) Brandon Thesing, Pine Island, Minn.
 Breeding and market swine Brant Smith, Monroe Center, Ill.
 Breeding sheep Lance Miller, Edgar, Wisc.
 Market lambs Bart Cardwell, Tonkowa, Okla.
 Meat goats Evan McCleary, Ames, Iowa
 Landscape Design and Construction Karen Filloon, Plymouth, Minn.

Photographs. A backdrop will be provided for photographing champions.
 Exhibitors are responsible for arranging for their own photographer.

SCHEDULE (subject to change)

THURSDAY, AUG. 24

8 a.m. Landscape Design and Construction Booth judging; outside CHS Miracle of Birth, east side
 9 a.m. Safe Tractor Operator's Contest; exercise ring west of AgStar Arena

FRIDAY, SEPT. 1

4 a.m.–1 p.m. Livestock arrive
 9 a.m.–2 p.m. Swine, sheep and meat goat check-in: Swine Barn ring
 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Cattle check-in: FFA Superintendent's office
 8 a.m. Weigh and tattoo market hogs
 10 a.m.–1 p.m. Weigh and tag market lambs and commercial breeding ewe lambs
 11 a.m.–1 p.m. Ultrasound and weigh market beef
 noon–2 p.m. Veterinary inspection of breeding sheep (in pens)
 1–3 p.m. Weigh and tag meat goats
 1:30 p.m. Ultrasound carcass hogs
 2:30–3:30 p.m. Ultrasound carcass lambs and meat goats
 5 p.m. Dairy Cattle and General Livestock Judging Contests; AgStar Arena

SATURDAY, SEPT. 2**SHEEP**

8 a.m.

Swine Barn East Ring

Natural Colored
Columbia
Babydoll Southdown
Corriedale
Rambouillet
All other wool breeds

MEAT GOATS

8 a.m.

Swine Barn West Ring

Meat goats
Meat goat showmanship, breeding and market

DAIRY CATTLE

8:30 a.m.

AgStar Arena, South Ring *(stage animals at south end of arena)*

Dairy showmanship, high school graduates
Purebred Holstein
MDA Special and 7 Best Dairy Animals
Jersey
Red & White

DAIRY CATTLE

8:30 a.m.

AgStar Arena, North Ring *(stage animals at north end of arena)*

Dairy showmanship, 9th and 10 grades, 11th and 12th grades
Grade Holstein
Guernsey
Ayrshire
Brown Swiss
Milking Shorthorn
Any other breed

SWINE

1 p.m.

Swine Barn West Ring

Breeding swine
Breeding swine showmanship

SHEEP

1:30 p.m.

Swine Barn East Ring

Commercial slick shorn market-type breeding ewe lambs
Commercial slick shorn market-type breeding yearling ewes
Market lambs
Market showmanship

SUNDAY, SEPT. 3**SHEEP**

8 a.m.

Swine Barn East Ring

Hampshire
Suffolk
Dorset

SWINE

8 a.m.

Swine Barn West Ring

Market swine
Market swine showmanship

BEEF CATTLE

10 a.m.

AgStar Arena, North Ring *(stage animals at north end of arena)*

Dairy steer showmanship
Market beef showmanship
Market beef
Dairy Steer
Shorthorn
Shorthorn Plus
Angus
Other registered purebred
Other registered composites
Commercial (non registered)

BEEF CATTLE	AgStar Arena, South Ring (<i>stage animals at south end of arena</i>)
11 a.m.	Limousin Hereford Charolais Simmental Red Angus Foundation Simmental Breeding heifer showmanship (advanced and senior)
SHEEP	Swine Barn East Ring
1 p.m.	Southdown All other meat breeds Breeding sheep showmanship

MONDAY, SEPT. 4

10 a.m.	AgStar Arena Parade of Champions and Awards Program
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Supreme Champion Breeding Beef ▪ Supreme Champion Dairy ▪ Supreme Champion Breeding Swine Female ▪ Supreme Champion Breeding Sheep Female
	Awards Program (includes the FFA crops awards) directly follows Supreme Champion Selection
1–5 p.m.	Livestock departure

OTHER FFA ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY, AUG. 24–MONDAY, SEPT. 4

Daily	FFA Leadership Center open; CHS Miracle of Birth Center
Daily	Christensen Stage demonstrations; CHS Miracle of Birth Center
Daily	Agriculture Technology exhibits; Education Building
Daily	Crops exhibits; Agricultural-Horticultural Building
Daily	Landscape Design and Construction Booths; east side of CHS Miracle of Birth Center

FFA MEAT GOAT SPECIALS

1. *North Star Boer Goats*, Pine Island, Minn., will present a plaque to the champion market goat.
2. *Williamson Farm*, Spicer, Minn., will present a plaque to the champion breeding doe.
3. The *Minnesota Livestock Breeders' Association* will award \$250 to the exhibitor of the grand champion live market goat and \$125 to the exhibitor of the reserve grand champion live market goat. Money paid directly from Minnesota Livestock Breeders' Association.

FFA Meat Goats

Superintendent..... Duane Hutton, Winona, MN
 Board Member..... Paul Merkins, Stewart, MN
 Assistant Superintendent..... Tim Larson, Medford, MN

FFA General Rules and Information

1. The FFA Livestock Show will be held four days, Friday through Monday, Sept. 1–4, 2017. The FFA Crops exhibits will be in the Agriculture-Horticulture Building, the Landscape Design exhibit outside the CHS Miracle of Birth Center and Agriculture Technology exhibits will be in the Education Building during the fair.
2. The Minnesota State Fair will provide sleeping quarters for the FFA exhibitors and advisors as space permits. All students, regardless of age, must be supervised at night. Supervision of FFA exhibitors while they are at the fair is the responsibility of the chapter advisor. An adult, parent, administrator, or instructor must accompany the exhibitors.
 - A. **Dorms.** Dorm reservations will be accepted Aug. 1–14, or until dorm space has filled. Requests must be made through the FFA website at mnffa.org. No telephone requests accepted.
 1. For information on dorm space availability, check the FFA website at mnffa.org. Those requesting space after dormitory space is filled are responsible for obtaining lodging off grounds.
 - B. **Sleeping in the barns -- unless in the dorms -- is not permitted.**
3. **Curfew. 11 p.m.** All FFA exhibitors must observe an 11 p.m. curfew.
4. It is recommended that the fitting and preparation of livestock be done by the exhibitor and family members. Herdpersons accompanying exhibitors must adhere to the same rules as the FFA members. Failure to do so will result in disqualification of the exhibitor for future shows.
5. All exhibitors will present a code of conduct statement signed by their parents, advisor and exhibitor.
6. Breed or farm shirts are not permitted in the show ring.
7. The consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages, tobacco, or any controlled substances by FFA exhibitors is prohibited. Violators will forfeit their eligibility to show.
8. The State Fair reserves the right to test any entry for body growth enhancing substances, drugs or medications.
9. State Fair officials (which may include the official veterinarian and FFA livestock staff) reserve the right to remove any sick animal from exhibit.
10. The show officials solicit and welcome the advice and input of parents and exhibitors.
11. **Entries.** Regardless of entry closing date, no entries will be accepted beyond the capacity to house them. Entries must be filled out in the name of the FFA exhibitor (defined as one person). No entry, individual or group, will be accepted after the final deadline.
 - A. **Beef and dairy cattle.**
 1. **By mail.** Closes Monday, July 31, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.
 2. **Online.** Closes Monday, Aug. 7, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.
 - B. **Swine, sheep, and meat goats.**
 1. **By mail or online.** Closes Monday, Aug. 7, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.
 - C. Must be properly and completely filled out in the name of the FFA exhibitor.
 1. **One person.**
 - D. W-9 must be filled out in the name of the FFA exhibitor, with the taxpayer identification number of the FFA exhibitor, whether or not they are required to file a tax return.
 1. **Do not use parent taxpayer identification number.**
 2. **If number is not provided,** exhibitor will not be permitted to show.
12. **Fees.** Entry fees entitle animal to compete in any individual or group class to which it is eligible. Must accompany entry
 - A. **Entry fee. Beef cattle. \$15 per animal.** Includes common bedding provided by the Minnesota State Fair.
 - B. **Entry fee. Dairy cattle, swine, sheep, meat goats. \$5 per animal.**

- C. **Late fee. \$5 per animal in addition to class fee.** From 4:31 p.m. Monday, Aug. 7, 2017 through 4:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 14, 2017 (received). By mail only, no online entry.
 - D. **Entry fee. School or chapter group. \$5 per group.** Must be received by 4:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 14, 2017.
 - 1. Filled out by FFA instructor, under chapter name only. On separate entry forms, should include the chapter group name, the advisor's name, and the names of the exhibitors who may contribute to the group.
 - 2. Final animal composition of the group need not be given until show time.
 - 3. **No chapter groups will be signed up after the above deadline.**
 - E. **Tie-out fee. Beef cattle. \$20 per animal.**
13. **Eligibility.** Open to Minnesota students, grades 9-12, who are regularly enrolled in an agricultural education program, or are active members of a chapter of FFA in good standing with the state FFA association. Wisconsin sections 1, 2, and 3 may show in crops and tractor driving only.
- A. Incoming 9th grade students are eligible to show if enrolled in, or have completed a course in a grade 9-12 agricultural education program for the current year.
 - B. FFA members enrolled in new or reestablished programs are not eligible to exhibit until the fair following the first academic year of operation.
 - C. Exhibitors who have not graduated from high school must have been enrolled in at least one agriculture class during the current year, and must be current paid members of the state and national FFA associations.
 - D. This is the last year of eligibility for those who have graduated from high school in 2014.
14. **Ownership.** Pedigree or transfer certificate must include the proper name of the FFA exhibitor as an owner (except as noted below).
- A. **Breeding beef or dairy cattle.** Must be owned by exhibitor by June 1 of the current year, and entered in the name of the feeder and exhibitor.
 - 1. If the transfer date is after June 1, a bill of sale must be presented to prove June 1 ownership.
 - B. **Hogs.** Leased hogs are permitted in both breeding and market divisions.
 - 1. Partnership agreements must be signed by June 1 by the parent, guardian, owner, exhibitor and the agriculture instructor.
 - C. **Breeding sheep.** Must be owned by exhibitor by July 1 of the current year, and entered in the name of the feeder and exhibitor.
 - 1. If the transfer date is after July 1, a bill of sale must be presented to prove July 1 ownership.
15. **Partnerships. Animals owned in partnership must be shown solely in the name of the same FFA exhibitor for the entire show season.**
- A. **Partnerships within immediate family.** 100% of the pedigree or transfer certificate must be in the exhibitor's name or in the name of a family partnership within the exhibitor's immediate family.
 - 1. Immediate family defined: spouse, father, mother, sibling, grandfather or grandmother.
 - a. Required in registered beef, purebred Holstein, and registered sheep if the proper name of the exhibitor does not appear on the pedigree as an owner.
 - B. **Partnerships outside of immediate family.**
 - 1. **Beef cattle.** Grade and commercial classes only.
 - a. **Exception.** Two breeding animals in registered breeds permitted.
 - 2. **Dairy cattle.** Permitted.
 - 3. **Swine.** Breeding and market divisions.
 - 4. **Sheep.** Grade and commercial classes only.
 - a. **Exception.** Two breeding animals in registered breeds permitted.
 - 5. **Meat goat.** Not permitted.
16. Animals may be entered in corresponding open class or 4-H classes, provided allowed by open and 4-H. Entry must be accompanied by the requisite entry fee for each animal.
17. **Pedigrees.** To receive points for the premier exhibitor and specie trophy awards, exhibitors must produce original certificates of registry the first day of the FFA livestock show.
- A. Exhibitors must produce pedigrees by the morning of the last day of the FFA livestock show for the breeding shows in order to receive premiums.

- B. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to make sure the registration certificates are checked by the Competition Department.
 - C. Entries without original registration certificates will be recorded on judging sheets as being shown but will be ineligible for premiums.
18. **Substitution.**
- A. In case of illness, or other extenuating circumstances, another FFA member may show the animal of an FFA exhibitor. The substitute must be approved by the department superintendent
 - B. Substitution of animals will be permitted outside a class and within the breed division originally entered in all species.
19. All attendants or persons leading or driving an animal into the judging arena must be FFA members, neatly attired and their attire must be kept neat and clean throughout the show.
20. **Stalling.** Animals entered in both open class and FFA beef cattle will be stalled with open class, unless noted on entry form. Chapters with fewer than three exhibitors and/or six head in the beef show will be stalled with the dairy exhibitors. FFA sheep and goats will be penned and exhibited in the Swine Barn.
21. **Signs.** Signs in the cattle barn must be no larger than 2' high and 6' long; not in aisle; must be below wire, above stall boards and treated with a fire retardant. Signs in the swine barn must not be larger than an FFA banner.
22. **Awards.**
- A. **Premier exhibitor.** A permanent traveling trophy will be awarded to the chapter having the highest quality exhibit at the show. The Minnesota State Fair will award a plaque to the chapter winner.
 - 1. To be eligible, an exhibitor must list his/her chapter on their original entry form.
 - 2. The chapter must have entries in four of the five divisions of the FFA Livestock show.
 - 3. Points computed on exhibits of livestock where the entry was received prior to the closing date and the original registry certificates are presented on the first day of the FFA Livestock show.
 - a. In the event of a tie, the number of champions, first, and second premiums, in that order, will be considered.
 - 4. All divisions will receive points based on the number of animals in the class.
 - a. In beef, swine, sheep, and goat divisions for example, if there are 16 animals in the class, the first place animal would receive 16 points, second place 15 points, etc
 - b. In the dairy division, points will be doubled.
 - c. All breeding classes and commercial female classes will be included.
 - d. No points will be awarded in groups.
 - e. **Champions in all divisions will be awarded points on the following basis:** Champions; 10 points each for junior, senior and grand champions. Reserve champions, 5 points each for junior and senior champions.
 - B. **Specie premier exhibitor.** Permanent traveling trophies awarded in beef, dairy, swine, sheep, and goat to the chapter having the highest quality exhibit at the show. The Minnesota State Fair will award a plaque to the chapter winners.
 - 1. Two or more exhibitors per chapter must exhibit to receive this specie award.
 - 2. Points calculated on the same basis as for premier exhibitor.
 - C. **Market livestock premier exhibitor.** Permanent traveling trophy, awarded to the chapter having the highest quality market livestock exhibit at the show. The Minnesota State Fair will award a plaque to the chapter winner.
 - 1. Chapter must exhibit in three of the four species.
 - 2. Points calculated on the same basis as for premier exhibitor.
 - 3. In carcass classes, all indexed entries, qualified or not, will receive points.
 - 4. Champion and Reserve Champion individuals and carcasses will receive 10 and 5 points respectively.
 - D. **Herdsmen.** Beef, swine, sheep, and goat Champion and Reserve Champion trophies will be presented to the chapters with the most attractive exhibits of beef, swine, sheep, and goats respectively.
 - 1. **Scoring.**
 - a. General attractiveness of chapter and exhibitor's area. 35 points.
 - b. Cleanliness of animals. 15 points.
 - c. Cleanliness of stalls and litter. 15 points.

- d. Cleanliness of alley and area surrounding stalls. 15 points.
 - e. Attitude and cooperation of exhibitor. 10 points.
 - f. Conduct of exhibitors and their friends around the exhibition area. 10 points.
- E. **Douglas K. Baldwin award.** The Minnesota State Fair offers an award in memory of Douglas K. Baldwin, to a Minnesota FFA member based upon length of time participated in the FFA livestock show and with outstanding qualities of leadership, competence, cooperation, courtesy, congeniality, and citizenship. Information on this award may be found on the Minnesota FFA website mnffa.org.
- F. **Showmanship.** Exhibitors may compete in only one showmanship competition per specie and must show their own animals. Each will be judged at the conclusion of their respective divisions. Belt buckles will be awarded to the champions and reserve champions in each division by the Minnesota State Fair.
- 1. **Breeding.** Beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, meat goats.
 - 2. **Market.** Beef cattle, market hogs, market sheep, meat goats.
 - 3. **Junior, senior and advanced.**
 - a. **Junior.** In dairy cattle; freshmen and sophomores in high school.
 - b. **Senior.** Juniors and seniors in high school.
 - c. **Advanced.** High school graduates.
23. **Minnesota State Fair Scholarship.** The Minnesota State Fair will award up to 20 scholarships of \$1,000 each. Applications must be completed online through on the Minnesota State Fair website at mnstatefair.org.
- A. Must be a high school graduate.
 - B. Be from greater Minnesota or enrolled in an agriculture program.
 - C. Must include planned participation in current year's Minnesota State Fair.
 - D. Attend or be enrolled in a post secondary institution.
 - E. No restrictions as to course of study or choice of school.
24. **IAFE (International Association of Fairs and Expositions) National Code of Show Ring Ethics.** Submission of entry indicates an agreement to abide by all conditions and rules listed below.
- A. Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics", fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels.
 - 1. All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine examples. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.
 - B. **The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:**
 - 1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership, and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
 - 2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
 - 3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.
 - 4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of violative drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of, consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.

- a. If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved, and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise.
 - b. At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications, for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian. *The Minnesota State Fair allows exceptions in breeding classes for sound management practices such as mastitis or pneumonia control.
5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, conformation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
 6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
 7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.
 8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics, or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.
 9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in, or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.
 10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer or absolutely responsible person to have disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of the Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary actions taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expositions and any special notices to members.
 11. The act of entering an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and also in violation of federal, state or provincial statutes, regulations or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.
25. **NALS&RMA Rule Infraction Database.** Barred or Disqualified Exhibitors: The Minnesota State Fair, in cooperation with the North American Livestock Show and Rodeo Managers Association (NALS&RAMA), Rule Infraction Database (RID), reserves the right to refuse entry of any exhibitor who has been barred or disqualified from any other show on the basis of unethical practices referred to in the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE), National Code of Show Ring Ethics.
 26. **ALL SPECIES. Livestock Health Regulations and Identification.** All animals will be inspected by the official veterinarian the opening day of the exhibition and daily during the exhibition. The official veterinarian will order the immediate removal to a quarantine facility or removal from the exhibition premises of any animal showing clinical signs of any infectious, contagious or communicable disease, including ringworm and warts.

- A. Any animal showing evidence of any disease, abscesses, or any open contagious lesions will not be allowed to exhibit or show and will be subject to isolation or expulsion depending on the nature and seriousness of the disease, abscess or lesion in question. If illness of any nature is suspected in any animal, said animal is subject to examination by the State Veterinarian and owner or exhibitor of said animal must abide by the decision of this veterinarian. Animals with warts or ringworm may not be shown. A statement from a veterinarian that an animal is being treated for these diseases is not acceptable. Animals known by the exhibitor to have an infectious, communicable disease or to have been exposed to an infectious, communicable disease, or to be from a quarantined flock may not be entered in an exhibition.
- B. **Identification.** The USDA instituted its Animal Disease Traceability (ADT) rule which improves its ability to trace livestock in the event of a disease outbreak. According to the ADT rule, livestock moving interstate must be officially identified and accompanied by an interstate certificate of veterinary inspection (ICVI). The USDA Animal Disease Traceability rule went into effect March 11, 2013. For more information regarding the USDA ADT rule please visit: aphis.usda.gov/traceability. Official ID may NOT be removed from an animal once it is applied.
1. **All species.** Individuals must be officially identified (see bah.state.mn.us/official-id/ for list of official ID).
27. **CATTLE. Livestock Health Regulations and Identification.**
- A. **National Uniform Ear-tagging System (NUES).** Begin with an official state number followed by three letters and then four numbers. (The official state number for Minnesota is '41'.) Must display the U.S. shield if applied to an animal March 11, 2015 or after.
1. Metal NUES tags may be ordered at no cost from the Board by calling (651) 201-6836 or using the online tag order form.
 2. Plastic NUES tags may be purchased from Leedstone by calling (877) 608-3877 or from the Minnesota Dairy Herd Improvement Association by calling (800) 827-3442.
 3. Orange brucellosis vaccination tags may only be used by accredited veterinarians in cattle and bison.
- B. **Animal Identification Number (AIN) or "840" tags.** Begin with an official country code followed by an additional 12 digits; 15 digits in total. (The official U.S. country code is '840'.) Must display the U.S. shield if applied to an animal March 11, 2015 or after. May be purchased from most ear tag distributors. 4-H tags available by contacting your county extension office.
1. 15-character tags beginning with the letters 'USA' or manufacturer-coded tags beginning with any number between 900–998. Official only if applied to the animal prior to March 11, 2015.
- C. **American Identification Number (AIN).** Combines 'USA' with 8 or 9 digits. Official only if applied to the animal prior to March 11, 2015. May be purchased from most ear tag distributors.
1. Includes the National Farm Animal Identification and Records (FAIR). Administered by Holstein Association USA, Inc.
- D. **Cattle from Minnesota.**
1. No Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) required.
 2. Must have proper identification as outlined in the USDA ADT rule (as of Mar. 11, 2013).
- E. **Cattle from outside Minnesota.**
1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) must list the Minnesota State Fair as consignee and will be accepted if examination and tests are conducted within 90 days prior to the exhibition.
 2. Must have proper identification as outlined in the USDA ADT rule (as of Mar. 11, 2013).
 3. Must meet the Minnesota Importation requirements. See bah.state.mn.us/imports/, or call the Minnesota Board of Animal Health at (651) 296-2942
 4. Must meet the importation requirements of their state of origin if they are returning.
28. **SWINE. Livestock Health Regulations and Identification.** In order to minimize risk to swine and humans for influenza virus transmission, no hogs will be allowed to stay on the fairgrounds, where swine are penned for competition (Swine Barn and adjacent Holdover Barn) beyond the scheduled time in which the hogs are to be shown, eliminating all holdover swine. Display animals penned in adjacent barns and not co-mingled with exhibition swine (including Miracle of Birth, 4-H champions, largest boar and display sow and litter) are exempt.
- A. **National Uniform Ear-tagging System (NUES).** Begin with an official state number followed by three letters and then four numbers. (The official state number for Minnesota is '41'.) Must display the U.S. shield if applied to an animal March 11, 2015 or after.
1. Metal NUES tags may be ordered at no cost from the Board by calling (651) 201-6836 or using the online tag order form.
 2. Plastic NUES tags may be purchased from Leedstone by calling (877) 608-3877.

- B. **Animal Identification Number (AIN) or "840" tags.** Begin with an official country code followed by an additional 12 digits; 15 digits in total. (The official U.S. country code is '840'.) Must display the U.S. shield if applied to an animal March 11, 2015 or after. May be purchased from most ear tag distributors.
 - 1. Includes "840" tags bearing the 4-H logo.
 - C. **Premises ID Number (PIN) tags.** Premises ID Number (PIN) tags must indicate farm of origin for hogs going to market.
 - D. **Ear Notching, with Breed Registration.** Accepted if accompanied by documentation listing the breed registration number; pending registrations are not acceptable.
 - E. **Swine from Minnesota.**
 - 1. No Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) required.
 - 2. Must have proper identification as outlined in the USDA ADT rule noted above (as of Mar. 11, 2013).
 - F. **Swine from outside Minnesota.**
 - 1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) must list the Minnesota State Fair as consignee and will be accepted if examination and tests are conducted within 90 days prior to the exhibition.
 - 2. Must have proper identification as outlined in the USDA ADT rule noted above (as of Mar. 11, 2013).
 - 3. Must meet the Minnesota Importation requirements. See bah.state.mn.us/imports/, or call the Minnesota Board of Animal Health at (651) 296-2942.
29. **SHEEP and GOATS. Livestock Health Regulations and Identification.** Must be officially identified and have an official Scrapie ID or have a registered tattoo along with a breed registry number (information available at bah.state.mn.us/official-id/). Available by calling (866) USDA-TAG.
- A. Sheep and goats with warts, ringworm, sore mouth, caseous lymphadenitis, foot rot, or club lamb fungus may not be shown. Sheep and goats within 30 days of giving birth (before or after) cannot be exhibited without prior approval from the Minnesota Board of Animal Health.
 - B. **Flock Identification (ID) tags.** Includes flock ID number beginning with state abbreviation (maximum nine characters, including state abbreviation, in addition to a unique herd management number (six-character maximum). Metal or plastic.
 - C. **Animal Identification Number (AIN) or "840" tags.** USDA AIN visual or RFID tag (15 digit number starting with 840). Must display U.S. shield.
 - D. **Sheep and goats from Minnesota.**
 - 1. No Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) required.
 - 2. Must have proper identification as outlined in the USDA ADT rule noted above (as of Mar. 11, 2013).
 - E. **Sheep and goats from outside Minnesota.**
 - 1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) must list the Minnesota State Fair as consignee and will be accepted if examination and tests are conducted within 90 days prior to the exhibition.
 - 2. Must have proper identification as outlined in the USDA ADT rule noted above (as of Mar. 11, 2013).
 - 3. Must meet the Minnesota Importation requirements. See bah.state.mn.us/imports/, or call the Minnesota Board of Animal Health at (651) 296-2942.
30. **Fire safety and electrical requirements.** The State Fair is working with the State Fire Marshal and the fair's own life safety staff to ensure an incident free exposition, and help keep safe power supplies operable in the barns. Your expected cooperation in complying with these requirements is appreciated; they will be enforced on a 24-hour basis. The state fair staff reserve the right to order excess electrical equipment removed if necessary to protect power supplies, stock and exhibitors.
- A. **Prohibited.**
 - 1. **Smoking.** Smoking is NOT permitted in the barn at any time.
 - a. Designated smoking areas have been established at specified locations throughout the fairgrounds. Smoking (including use of electronic cigarettes) is now permitted only in these areas.
 - 2. **Open flame.** Strictly prohibited.
 - 3. **Ignition sources.** Frying pans, coffee pots, hot plates, toasters, toaster ovens, warming trays, etc. are prohibited.
 - 4. Tents or structures which are covered on the top or sides are not permitted in the barns.
 - 5. Fuel powered generators and fuel containers are prohibited in the barn and in the livestock parking areas.
 - 6. Extra lighting in exhibit areas will not be allowed.
 - B. Decorative material must be rendered and maintained flame retardant in accordance with the state fire code; documentation required.

- C. **Electrical equipment.** All electrical equipment (fans, blowers, extension cords, etc.) is subject to electrical inspection and subject to removal if unsafe and/or does not meet electrical codes.
 - 1. **Fans.** Any fans used must be suspended at the front of cattle. For purposes of electric conservation and safety, it is asked that fans be kept to a minimum and used only for heat stress prevention.
- D. **Extension cords.**
 - 1. All extension cords must be at least 12 gauge or larger Type G, PPE, S, SE, SEO, SEOO, SC, SCE, SCT, SO, SOO, ST, STO, STOO, W or other types identified for extra-hard usage and must be of the grounding type.
 - 2. Extension cords must also be three-wire flexible.
 - 3. No lightweight (two-wire) extension cords or "zip" cords (18 gauge or smaller) may be used anywhere on the State Fairgrounds.
 - 4. Octopus plugs and two-wire extension cords often create a fire hazard and will be removed if found in use during an event.
 - 5. Cables with a "J" in the type designation (Such as Type SJT) are not permitted.
- 31. **Livestock exhibitor overnight parking.** Limited space; filled by computer generated lottery.
 - A. Opens Tuesday, May 30, 2017, closes July 31, 2017.
 - B. Complete information available online mnstatefair.org/competition/overnight_parking.
- 32. **Livestock exhibitor daily parking.** Ordered with livestock entries.
 - A. Entry system opens online the first Monday following Father's Day (June 17, 2017) at mnstatefair.org, Competition & Contests.
 - 1. Or may order with entries via paper entry form.
 - B. Allocated on a first come, first served basis; valid only for dates for when exhibitors will be showing, based on entries.
 - C. **Limit of two daily auto per exhibitor.**
 - D. **License number must be included with order.**
- 33. **Admission fees.** Entry into the Minnesota State Fair shall be solely contingent upon presentation and surrender of a valid ticket of admission in accordance with the schedule of gate admission prices as mnstatefair.org/tickets_discounts/admission.html.
 - A. **Pre-fair discount admission tickets.** Information on purchasing is available at above link.
 - B. When leaving the fairgrounds, exhibitors and fair visitors may ask for a re-admittance privilege, which allows reentry onto the fairgrounds at Gate 14 between 4 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. on the same day without paying another admission.
- 34. **Vehicle inspection.** For security and safety concerns, vehicles entering the Minnesota State Fairgrounds beginning Aug. 7, 2017 and through the run of the fair, will be subject to inspection.
 - A. Vehicle entry restricted to either Gate 1 (north Underwood St.) or Gate 14 (Canfield St.).

FFA Meat Goat Rules.

- 1. In addition to these rules, exhibitors and exhibits are bound by the overall FFA Department Rules.
- 2. Exhibitors will be permitted to show seven individual entries. To show in group class, animals must be shown individually.
 - A. No more than two breeding doelings.
 - B. No more than two yearlings.
 - C. No more than two market goats
 - D. No more than one carcass.
 - E. Classes will consist of no more than 20 goats per class, split by weight.
- 3. School or chapter group (minimum of seven goats and three or more exhibitors). Entries in school or chapter group must be made in the name of the chapter, by the FFA advisor by the entry deadline, and \$5 entry fee must be paid. Must be exhibited in the market lots and conform to required weights.
- 4. **Goats.** Entries must be either wethers or does, weighing between 45-115 lbs. No bucks.
 - A. All goats must be dehorned/disbudded. Scurs allowed, no more than 2".
 - B. Goats may have lost one or more milk teeth, but there may be no evidence of breaking of skin or eruption of two permanent teeth

- C. All animals must be completely clipped and fitted for show. It is optional to clip the legs from the knee in the front and the hock in the back (down to the hoofline).
- 5. **Class divisions.** Class champions marked with * (classes 2, 7) will be established if necessary to facilitate the selection of the individual champions and reserve champions.
- 6. **Marketing animals.**
 - A. Exhibitors with entries in division 55 (Breeding Meat-Type Goats) may elect to market their animals; but must inform the Department Superintendent at the time of weighing.
 - B. All goats entered in division 56 (Dairy and Meat Market Goats) will be sent to market; this is a terminal show.
 - C. Animal identification. Exhibitors who are marketing their animals must complete a COOL (Country Of Origin Labeling) affidavit/declaration of origin, available from the Department Superintendent. All market animals must have their origin declared before the animals go to market
 - D. Load out of market animals is early Monday morning. All exhibitors with animals going to market must assist with load out. Please be prompt in bringing your animals to the show ring for load-out.

Division 55: Breeding Meat-Type Goats

Rules

1. Exhibitor may elect to market their animals; but must inform the Department Superintendent at the time of weighing.

Premiums for Breeding Meat-Type Goats

Individuals - 15 or fewer animals showing

\$32 \$28 \$26 \$24 \$22 \$20 \$19 \$18 \$17 \$16 \$15 \$14 \$12 \$10 \$9

Individuals - 16 or more animals showing

\$35 \$32 \$29 \$27 \$25 \$23 \$21 \$20 \$19 \$18 \$17 \$16 \$15 \$14 \$13 \$12 \$11 \$10 \$9 \$8 \$0

Groups

\$30 \$25 \$20 \$17 \$15 \$14 \$13 \$12 \$11 \$10 \$0

Champion & Reserve

\$0 \$0

Class Listing for Breeding Meat-Type Goats

- 1 FFA Registered Breeding Meat-Type Doeling, Jan - April 2017
- 2 FFA Champion and Reserve Registered Doeling
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.
- 3 FFA Pair of Registered Breeding Meat-Type Doelings
- 4 FFA Champion and Reserve Registered Doeling Pair
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.
- 5 FFA Registered Breeding Meat-Type Yearling Doe
- 6 FFA Pair of Registered Yearling Does
- 7 FFA Commercial Breeding Meat-Type Doeling, Jan - April 2017
- 8 FFA Champion and Reserve Commercial Doeling
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.
- 9 FFA Pair of Commercial Breeding Meat-Type Doelings
- 10 FFA Champion and Reserve Commercial Doeling Pair
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.
- 11 FFA Commercial Breeding Meat-Type Yearling Doe
- 12 FFA Pair of Commercial Yearling Does
- 13 FFA Champion and Reserve Breeding Meat-Type Doeling Overall
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.
- 14 FFA Champion and Reserve Breeding Meat-Type Doe Overall
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.

Division 56: Dairy and Meat Market Goats

Rules

1. **This is a terminal show.** All goats entered in division 56 (Dairy and Meat Market Goats) will be sent to market.

Premiums for Dairy and Meat Market Goats

Individuals - 15 or fewer animals showing

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Individuals - 16 or more animals showing

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Groups

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Champion & Reserve

\$0 \$0

Class Listing for Dairy and Meat Market Goats

- 1 FFA Dairy Market Goat, Jan - April 2017
- 2 FFA Class Champion and Reserve Dairy Market Goat *
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.
- 3 FFA Champion and Reserve Dairy Market Goat
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.
- 4 FFA Pair of Dairy Market Goats
- 5 FFA Champion and Reserve Dairy Market Goat Pair
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.
- 6 FFA Meat Market Goat, Jan - April 2017
- 7 FFA Class Champion and Reserve Meat Market Goat *
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.
- 8 FFA Champion and Reserve Meat Market Goat
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.
- 9 FFA Pair of Meat Market Goats
- 10 FFA Champion and Reserve Meat Market Goat Pair
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.
- 11 FFA Champion and Reserve Market Goat Overall
Champion, plaque; reserve, plaque.
- 12 FFA Live Carcass Dairy or Meat Market Goat
- 13 FFA Champion and Reserve Live Carcass Dairy or Meat Market Goat
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.
- 14 FFA Carcass Dairy or Meat Goat, Carcass Placing
- 15 FFA Champion and Reserve Carcass Dairy or Meat Goat, Carcass Placing
Champion, ribbon; reserve, ribbon.
- 16 FFA Market Goats School or Chapter Group
Entries in school or chapter group must be made in the name of the chapter, by the FFA advisor BEFORE entry closing date.