

# MINNESOTA STATE FAIR

Aug. 24-Sept. 4, 2017

## Boer Goats

Superintendent..... Gretchen Sankowitz, Waseca, MN

Board Member..... Danny Grunhovd, Gary, MN

### Judge List:

Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goats: Jason Brashear, Cornettsville, KY\*  
Open Wethers and Meat Does: Jason Brashear, Cornettsville, KY\*  
Percentage Boer Goats: Jason Brashear, Cornettsville, KY\*

### Tentative Schedule

#### Monday, August 28

10 a.m. Swine Barn  
Check-in and veterinary inspection in pens

#### Tuesday, August 29

8 a.m. AgStar Arena  
Youth Showmanship  
Percentage Boer Goats  
Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goats  
Open Wethers and Meat Does

#### Thursday, August 31

1 p.m. Swine Barn  
Release, specific times will be assigned

### EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

1. **Minnesota State Fair Livestock Show ethics.**
  - A. The Minnesota State Fair has a responsibility for maintaining a first-class image of fairness and ethics in the show ring. We seek to promote good animal husbandry, attractive barn exhibits and a high quality show for exhibitors and spectators.
  - B. Each exhibitor must consent and agree to abide by the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, as printed. All animals will be subject to examination by the judge and/or superintendent for any violations of the code of ethics.
  - C. Exhibitors are expected to obey the official promptly in producing their stock when instructed to do so. Stock must be in the ring promptly after the class is called, and it will be taken for granted that any person failing to comply with this rule is not a competitor for the premiums offered.
    1. Exhibitors must show their animals at such times and places as directed, and furnish such information concerning their stock as may be required by the superintendent. In cases of refusal to obey this rule any or all premiums will be forfeited and the exhibitor barred from showing.
  - D. No animal will be awarded a prize unless removed from its stall and exhibited, with catalog number attached, in the show ring.
    1. Animals not exhibited when called out by the ring steward or superintendent, unless specially excused, will be charged \$50 per head for the use of stalls or be removed from the grounds, as the management may decide.
  - E. Exhibitors must keep their stalls and pens open and stock uncovered from 8 a.m.–8 p.m. during each day of exhibition. Exhibitors using tie outs must have their stock back in the barns by 8 a.m. each morning.

1. Exhibitors must keep the space in the rear of their stalls and pens clear and clean; all litter and manure must be placed where indicated by the department superintendent.
2. **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.
3. **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&RMA), 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.
4. **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](http://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/](http://bah.state.mn.us/official-id/) for list of official identification).
5. **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 Minnesota Board of Animal Health 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 noted above (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 noted above (as of Mar. 11, 2013).
  3. Must meet the Minnesota Importation requirements. See [bah.state.mn.us/imports/](http://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.
6. **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/](http://bah.state.mn.us/imports/), or call the Minnesota Board of Animal Health at (651) 296-2942.
7. **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/](http://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/](http://bah.state.mn.us/imports/), or call the Minnesota Board of Animal Health at (651) 296-2942.
8. **CAMELIDS. Livestock Health Regulations and Identification.**
- A. **Camelids from Minnesota.**
    - 1. No Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) required.
  - B. **Camelids 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 meet the Minnesota Importation requirements. See [bah.state.mn.us/imports/](http://bah.state.mn.us/imports/), or call the Minnesota Board of Animal Health at (651) 296-2942.
9. **POULTRY. Livestock Health Regulations and Identification.** Must be identified with a leg or wing band. Diseased birds unfit to be shown may be barred from competition by the department superintendent.

- A. **Chickens, turkeys, and game birds.** Must be accompanied by a certificate or test card approved by the board to show compliance with the following:
1. **Pullorum-typhoid.** Must originate from a hatchery or breeding flock that is classified U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean under the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP); or be negative to a pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days prior to the opening date of exhibition.
  2. **Mycoplasma gallisepticum and Mycoplasma synoviae.** All turkeys and turkey hatching eggs must originate from a hatchery or breeding flock that is classified U.S. Mycoplasma Gallisepticum (MG) Clean and U.S. Mycoplasma Synoviae (MS) Clean under the NPIP; or be negative to a Mycoplasma gallisepticum and a Mycoplasma synoviae test within 90 days prior to the opening date of exhibition.
- B. For questions related to poultry exhibition requirements, contact the Minnesota Poultry Testing Laboratory at (320) 231-5170.
- C. **Poultry from outside Minnesota.** Interstate health certificate required.
1. Must meet the requirements listed, plus the Minnesota Importation requirements. See [bah.state.mn.us/imports/](http://bah.state.mn.us/imports/), or call the Minnesota Board of Animal Health at (651) 296-2942.
  2. Poultry as defined above, greater than five months, must be tested and found negative within 30 days of import and have a certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI).
  3. Poultry as defined above, less than five months, must have an import permit and a disease classification for the poultry as listed above, supported by a CVI, NPIP Form VS 9-3 or equivalent.
10. **RABBITS. Livestock Health and Identification.** Diseased rabbits unfit to be shown may be barred from competition by the department superintendent. Rabbits showing symptoms of disease at time of arrival or during exhibition will be disqualified and returned to the owner immediately.
- A. All rabbits must be plainly marked with permanent marking (tattoo). No rabbit accepted unless permanently marked.
11. **Taxpayer identification.** Internal Revenue Service (IRS) regulations require the Minnesota State Fair to collect a TIN (Taxpayer Identification Number) from exhibitors. The Minnesota State Fair files information returns with the IRS; this information is used by the IRS for identification purposes, and for verification of the accuracy of tax returns. Exhibitors receiving premiums totaling \$600 or more will receive tax form 1099-MISC the following January.
- A. **For most, the TIN will be a social security number or EIN individual tax identification number.** Failure to furnish a TIN upon request may result in penalties. You will not be permitted to show if you do not supply this number.
1. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return.
  2. Each exhibitor must provide his/her own TIN.
  3. Premium checks will be made out to the name and address listed on the W-9 (W-8BEN or W-8ECI for foreign exhibitors).
- B. **Foreign exhibitors.** The Minnesota State Fair is required to withhold 30% of the gross payment to all foreign payees, including livestock and horse exhibitor premium payments. If a foreign person is the beneficial owner of the income they should complete a W-8BEN form. This form:
1. Establishes foreign status.
  2. Claims that the person is the beneficial owner of the income for which the form is being furnished or is a partner in a partnership subject to withholding and;
  3. If applicable, claims a reduced rate of or exemption from withholding under an income tax treaty.
  4. A completely filled out W-8BEN must include either line 6 or line 7. For an exemption under tax treaty benefits, they must fully complete lines 9 and 10 stating article of the treaty and an explanation of the reason the article applies. More information on tax treaties is available at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). Instructions and form W8-BEN. The form and instructions may be found at: [taxmap.ntis.gov/taxmap/ts0/formsw8\\_o\\_1a444eca.html](http://taxmap.ntis.gov/taxmap/ts0/formsw8_o_1a444eca.html).
12. **Refunds.** No refunds of entry fees will be made for cancellation after Aug. 10, except in the event of contagious disease or injury, for which a doctor's or veterinarian's certificate of same will be required.

- A. No refunds of \$5 and under will be issued.
  - B. Refunds are issued after all Minnesota State Fair department premium checks have been distributed.
13. **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. Your expected cooperation in complying with these requirements is appreciated. They will be enforced on a 24-hour basis; please plan accordingly. The following rules are in place to help keep safe power supplies operable in the barns. The Minnesota State Fair reserves the right to order excess electrical equipment removed if necessary to protect power supplies, stock and exhibitors.
- A. **Smoking.**
    - 1. Smoking is NOT permitted in the barn at any time.
      - a. For the comfort and safety of all, 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.
  - B. **Prohibited.**
    - 1. **Open flames are strictly prohibited.**
    - 2. Ignition sources such as frying pans, coffee pots, hot plates, toasters, toaster ovens and warming trays are prohibited.
    - 3. Fuel powered generators and fuel containers are prohibited in the barn and in the livestock parking areas.
    - 4. Extra lighting in exhibit areas will not be allowed.
  - C. Decorative material must be rendered and maintained flame retardant in accordance with the state fire code; documentation is required.
  - D. **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.
  - E. **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.
  - F. **Extension cords.** 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.
    - 1. Extension cords must also be three-wire flexible.
    - 2. No lightweight (2 wire) extension cords or "zip" cords (18 gauge or smaller) may be used anywhere on the State Fairgrounds.
      - a. Octopus plugs and two-wire extension cords often create a fire hazard and will be removed if found in use during an event.
      - b. Cables with a "J" in the type designation (Such as Type SJT) are not permitted.
14. **Dormitories.** In compliance with Minnesota Department of Health licensing regulations, the number of beds available for open class exhibitors in the dorms is limited. Exhibitors may purchase space to camp in the livestock lots (see Livestock exhibitors overnight parking below), or go to [mnstatefair.org/general\\_info/lodging.html](http://mnstatefair.org/general_info/lodging.html) for useful links for hotel/motel lodging.
15. **Livestock exhibitors 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](http://mnstatefair.org/competition/overnight_parking).
16. **Livestock exhibitors daily parking.** Ordered with livestock entries.
- A. Entry system opens online the first Monday following Father's Day (June 19, 2017) at [mnstatefair.org](http://mnstatefair.org), Competition & Contests.
  - 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.**
17. **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 at [mnstatefair.org/tickets\\_discounts/admission.html](http://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 the hours of 4 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. on the same day without paying another admission.
18. **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.).

### Open Class Boer Goat Rules

1. **Entries.** Regardless of entry closing date, no entries will be accepted beyond the capacity to house them.
- A. **By mail.** Closes Monday, Aug. 7, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.
- B. **Online.** Closes Monday, Aug. 7, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.
- C. **Submission of entries indicates agreement to abide by all rules and conditions listed in** The International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) National Code of Show Ring Ethics, and the North American Livestock Show and Rodeo Managers Association (NALS&RMA) Rules Infraction Database.
2. **Fees.** Entitles animal to compete in any individual and group class to which it is eligible. Must accompany entry.
- A. **Entry fee. \$3.00 per animal.** Entitles animal to compete in any individual and group class to which it is eligible. Must accompany entry.
- B. **Returned check fee.** Any check returned for nonsufficient funds (NSF), closed account, or stopped payment, will be assessed a \$30 service fee.
3. **Forage.**
- A. Forage and bedding may be brought in for your livestock only.
1. Only exhibitors will be permitted to deliver feed and bedding.
2. **Forage Department.** All forage must be paid for when ordered.
4. **Ownership and exhibitors.** Animals must be the bona fide property of and owned outright by the exhibitor.
- A. Goats must be owned by the exhibitor at least 30 days prior to the show date.
- B. An exhibitor (family, firm, partnership or breeding establishment) may enter no more than two animals, in any one division in any one individual class.
- C. In classes for groups, only one entry in any division will be permitted from each exhibitor.
- D. Exhibitor is limited to showing 20 head.
1. No more than five of the 20 head may be entered in the open wether and meat doe division.
2. No animals other than those entered will be permitted in the barn (unless newborn young).
- E. Animals shown in groups must be entered and shown in the regular individual classes.
1. Exhibitor must indicate on entry form all the classes in which they plan to show.
- a. Individuals comprising groups need not be named at the time of making entry.
5. **Animal eligibility.**
- A. **Pedigrees and animal identification.** All Boer percentage and full blood Boer goats must be registered with the American Boer Goat Association (ABGA).
1. Original registration certificate of ownership must be produced at request of the show.
- a. A stamped, duplicate, or faxed duplicate application showing date received by the association is acceptable for animals under three months of age.

- b. Proof of birth date will be the date on the registration certificate.
    2. All animals must be tattooed with a legible tattoo or other means of permanent identification consistent with the registration certificate.
      - a. Tattoo or permanent identification of the animal will be checked against the registration certificate at check-in.
      - b. If the tattoo or permanent identification is unreadable, or does not match the registration certificate; the animal will be disqualified.
      - c. If the animal is microchipped as its permanent identification, the exhibitor is responsible for providing a microchip reader.
      - d. **No tattooing allowed after unloading animals.**
  - B. **Computing ages.** Birth dates as listed on the registration certificate will be used to determine class divisions.
    1. The show date will be the base date in computing all ages. Count back from the show date to the animal birth date to determine the age and class.
  - C. **Disqualifications.** It is highly recommended that a careful review of the ABGA breed standards be done for clarification.
    1. Any goat showing any pronounced defect or abnormality, such as a weak constitution, unthrifty condition, overshot or undershot jaw, abnormal abscesses, will be barred from showing in any class. Illegible tattoos or tattoos inconsistent with registration will result in disqualification.
    2. Any doe over 24 months of age that has not kidded and cannot prove a current pregnancy will be disqualified.
6. **Substitution.** Substitution within a class is permitted. Competition department must be notified of the substitution at time of check-in.
7. **Fitting, showing, and stalling.**
  - A. **Fitting.** All goats must be washed, fitted, and clipped prior to arrival at the show. Only minor clipping will be allowed on the fairgrounds.
    1. Fitting will be left to exhibitor discretion.
    2. No painting, powdering or artificial coloring.
    3. Bucks must be kept as odor free as possible. If a buck is determined to be an odor problem or hazard by the show, the animal must be removed from the fairgrounds.
  - B. **Showing.** All exhibitors must be neatly and properly dressed while in the show ring.
    1. All goats must be shown with a collar or halter used only by the exhibitor to control the animal. Only brief touches by exhibitor's hand/body are allowed.
    2. Muzzling of animals is prohibited.
    3. Bracing of animals will not be tolerated; animal must have all four feet on the ground.
    4. Large bucks may have a handler and set up person while showing for safety.
    5. No progeny of fresh does will be allowed in the ring.
  - C. **Stalling.** Boer goats are housed in the Swine barn.
    1. No more than one tack stall assigned per exhibitor; exhibitor must enter a minimum of three goats to receive a tack stall.
    2. Exhibitors should provide own bedding and feed, or may purchase from the Minnesota State Fair Forage Department.
8. **Signs and advertising.** No signs of any type will be permitted in the barns, except within the specified assigned stalls. Failure to comply will result in forfeiture of premiums
9. **Awards.** The Minnesota State Fair will present the following awards.
  - A. **Premier exhibitor.** To the exhibitor receiving the most points in the individual classes of the percentage and fullblood divisions. Points awarded in classes where four or more goats are shown. Plaque.

1. **Scoring system, premier awards.** 1st place 8 points; 2nd place 7 points; 3rd place 6 points; 4th place 5 points; 5th place 4 points; 6th place 3 points; 7th place 2 points; 8th place 1 point.
    - a. If division champion or reserve champion receive no points because there were three or fewer goats entered in their individual class, the division champion will be awarded 8 points and the reserve champion will be awarded 7 points.
  - B. **Herdsmen.** Determined on cleanliness, courtesy (including promptness to ring), attractive display of animals, and is a good representation of the meat goat industry. Awards to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.
10. **Premiums.** Premium checks will be issued and sent to the name and address provided on the W-9 form.
    - A. No more than two cash prizes in an individual class.
    - B. No more than one cash prize in a group class.
    - C. Premium money will be withheld in all instances where animals are removed from the grounds prior to the official time of release, unless granted written permission by the Competition Department.

## Division 94: Percentage Boer Goats

### Rules

1. In addition to division rules, exhibitors and exhibits are bound by the overall Open Boer Goat Department Rules.
2. **Registry requirements.** Percentage does must be 50-88%.

### Premiums for Percentage Boer Goats

Individuals - 1-4 animals showing

\$15 \$12 \$8 \$4

Individuals - 5-8 animals showing

\$15 \$12 \$8 \$6 \$4 \$4

Individuals - 9-15 animals showing

\$20 \$15 \$12 \$10 \$8 \$6 \$6 \$5 \$5 \$4 \$4

Individuals - 16 or more animals showing

\$24 \$22 \$20 \$15 \$15 \$12 \$12 \$10 \$10 \$8 \$8 \$6 \$6 \$4 \$4 \$0

Grand and Reserve Champions in each division

\$25 \$15

Groups - 5 or fewer groups showing

\$15 \$10 \$8 \$5

Groups - 6 or more groups showing

\$20 \$15 \$10 \$8 \$5 \$4 \$0

### Class Listing for Percentage Boer Goats

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#### Does

- 1 Percentage Boer Goat Doe Kid, 0-3 months
  - 2 Percentage Boer Goat Doe Kid, 3-6 months
  - 3 Percentage Boer Goat Doe Kid, 6-9 months
  - 4 Percentage Boer Goat Doe Kid, 9-12 months
  - 5 Percentage Boer Goat Junior Champion & Reserve Doeling  
*Plaque to champion, rosette to reserve champion.*
  - 6 Percentage Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 12-16 months
  - 7 Percentage Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 16-20 months
  - 8 Percentage Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 20-24 months
  - 9 Percentage Boer Goat Yearling Champion & Reserve Doe  
*Plaque to champion, rosette to reserve champion.*
  - 10 Percentage Boer Goat Two Year Old Doe, 24-36 months
  - 11 Percentage Boer Goat Aged Senior Doe, 36 months and older
  - 12 Percentage Boer Goat Senior Champion & Reserve Doe  
*Plaque to champion, rosette to reserve champion.*
  - 13 Percentage Boer Goat Grand Champion & Reserve Doe  
*Plaque to champion, rosette to reserve champion.*
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#### Groups

- 14 Percentage Boer Goat Pair of Percentage Doe Kids, 0-12 months
- 15 Percentage Boer Goat Pair of Percentage Aged Does, 12 months and older

## Division 95: Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goats

### Rules

1. In addition to division rules, exhibitors and exhibits are bound by the overall Open Boer Goat Department Rules.
2. **Registry requirements.**
  - A. **Fullblood/purebred does.** 15/16 (94%) and higher.
  - B. **Fullblood/purebred bucks.** 31/32 (96.7%) and higher.

### Premiums for Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goats

Individuals - 1-4 animals showing

\$15 \$12 \$8 \$4

Individuals - 5-8 animals showing

\$15 \$12 \$8 \$6 \$4 \$4

Individuals - 9-15 animals showing

\$20 \$15 \$12 \$10 \$8 \$6 \$6 \$5 \$5 \$4 \$4

Individuals - 16 or more animals showing

\$24 \$22 \$20 \$15 \$15 \$12 \$12 \$10 \$10 \$8 \$8 \$6 \$6 \$4 \$4 \$0

Grand and Reserve Champions in each division

\$25 \$15

Groups - 5 or fewer groups showing

\$15 \$10 \$8 \$5

Groups - 6 or more groups showing

\$20 \$15 \$10 \$8 \$5 \$4 \$0

### Class Listing for Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goats

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#### Does

- 1 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Doe Kid, 0-3 months
  - 2 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Doe Kid, 3-6 months
  - 3 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Doe Kid, 6-9 months
  - 4 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Doe Kid, 9-12 months
  - 5 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Junior Champion & Reserve Doeling  
*Plaque to champion, rosette to reserve champion.*
  - 6 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 12-16 months
  - 7 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 16-20 months
  - 8 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 20-24 months
  - 9 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Champion & Reserve Doe  
*Plaque to champion, rosette to reserve champion.*
  - 10 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Two Year Old Doe, 24-36 months
  - 11 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Aged Senior Doe, 36 months and older
  - 12 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Senior Champion & Reserve Doe  
*Plaque to champion, rosette to reserve champion.*
  - 13 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Grand Champion & Reserve Doe
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#### Bucks

- 14 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Buck Kid, 0-3 months

- 15 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Buck Kid, 3-6 months
  - 16 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Buck Kid, 6-9 months
  - 17 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Buck Kid, 9-12 months
  - 18 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Junior Champion & Reserve Buck  
*Plaque to champion, rosette to reserve champion.*
  - 19 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Buck, 12-16 months
  - 20 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Buck, 16-20 months
  - 21 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Buck, 20-24 months
  - 22 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Champion & Reserve Buck  
*Plaque to champion, rosette to reserve champion.*
  - 26 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Grand Champion & Reserve Buck  
*Plaque to champion, rosette to reserve champion.*
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**Groups**

- 27 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Pair of Fullblood Doe Kids, 0-12 months
  - 28 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Pair of Fullblood Aged Does, 12 months and older
  - 29 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Pair of Fullblood Buck Kids, 0-12 months
  - 30 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Pair of Fullblood Aged Bucks, 12 months and older
  - 31 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Trio  
*One buck, two does.*
  - 32 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Produce of Dam  
*Three animals, any combination.*
  - 33 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Get of Sire  
*Three animals, any combination.*
  - 34 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Exhibitors Tribe  
*Any five goats, must be from same exhibitor/family*
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**Premier**

- 35 Open Boer Goat Premier Exhibitor  
*Plaque.*

## Division 96: Open Wethers and Meat Does

### Rules

1. In addition to division rules, exhibitors and exhibits are bound by the overall Open Boer Goat Department Rules.
2. **No cross over entries from the 4-H to open show.**
3. No more than five wethers or meat does per exhibitor.
4. All market wethers and meat does must have their milk teeth; no adult teeth allowed.
5. All market wethers and meat does will be weighed during check in.
  - A. Classes determined by weight; announced prior to show.
    1. **No more than 10 animals per class.**
  - B. Each class winner and second place in each class will return to the ring to determine champion and reserve champion.

### Premiums for Open Wethers and Meat Does

Individuals - 1-4 animals showing

\$15 \$12 \$8 \$4

Individuals - 5-8 animals showing

\$15 \$12 \$8 \$6 \$4 \$4

Individuals - 9-15 animals showing

\$20 \$15 \$12 \$10 \$8 \$6 \$6 \$5 \$5 \$4 \$4

Individuals - 16 or more animals showing

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Grand and Reserve Champions in each division

\$25 \$15

Groups - 5 or fewer groups showing

\$15 \$10 \$8 \$5

Groups - 6 or more groups showing

\$20 \$15 \$10 \$8 \$5 \$4 \$0

### Class Listing for Open Wethers and Meat Does

#### Wethers and Meat Does

- 1 Individual, Open Wether
- 2 Individual, Open Meat Doe
- 13 Grand Champion & Reserve Wether  
*Champion, plaque; reserve champion, rosette.*

#### Groups

- 14 Pair of Market Goats, Wethers or Does

## Division 97: Youth Showmanship

### Rules

1. In addition to division rules, exhibitors and exhibits are bound by the overall Open Boer Goat Department Rules when not in conflict.
2. **Any animal may be used.** No entry fee required.

### Class Listing for Youth Showmanship

- 1 Junior Youth Showmanship, ages 12 & under
- 2 Intermediate Youth Showmanship, ages 13-16
- 3 Senior Youth Showmanship, ages 17-21