

**NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW
MEAT GOAT DIVISION**

MEAT GOATS

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**2016 GRAND CHAMPION MEAT GOATS
EXHIBITED BY: GRACE DIRKS
RIVER HILLS 4-H CLUB**

RULES: MEAT GOATS

Property of the Exhibitor and On-FeedOctober 15th
ValidationOctober 15th

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS and PARENTS

One Hour Rule: Exhibitors choosing to retain ownership of their **BLUE OR RED RIBBON** animal for future use must notify the division superintendent in writing within 1 hour after their Division judging. (Refer to General Rule #28 for further information.)

Thank You Letters: Thank you letters are required from all exhibitors of blue ribbon, red ribbon or sifted projects to all buyers, add-on supporters and sponsors of awards for all divisions. (Refer to General Rule # 36 for further information/penalties)

1. **Validation/Horn Tipping:** Goats must be the property of and under the daily care of the exhibitor, on feed - October 15, 2016 - validation October 15, 2016. All goats will be required to report to the RMBF on the third Saturday in October, between the hours of 8:00 AM to 10:30 AM, to be validated. Goats may be validated by family name where more than one child in the immediate family is raising goats. All goats will be tagged with a special plastic ear tag furnished by the Goat Committee. If the eartag is lost, one county agent or Ag Science teacher and either the goat superintendent or assistant superintendent must be notified and the **goat must be re-tagged within seven (7) days.**
 - a. **Exhibitors will be required to have horns tipped blunt (not less than the diameter of a dime at the end) before validating the animal.**
 - b. **Any exhibitor who wishes to enter a major show must have his/her goats validated with the Texas 4 -H and FFA Goat Validation Program. Exhibitor will be able to do this at time of the NCJLS Goat Validation.**
2. **Breeds:** The show is open to any breed or crossbred meat type goat.
3. **Check-In: Weight & Sifting - Mandatory:**
 - a. Entries will only be accepted between 5:00 PM and 6:30 PM on Tuesday, January 17, 2017. All entries

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must be on exhibit at the designated place no later than 6:30 PM, January 17, 2017. Any exhibitor in line by 6:30 PM will be allowed to weigh in.

- b. All animals not of show quality as to weight and overall body condition, **including goats showing or displaying any sign of disease, external parasites or physical abnormalities** will be sifted.
 - c. **Only goats that have been validated, weighed at the show, and checked in with the exhibitor will be allowed in the Fairgrounds prior to Sunday, January 22, 2017.**
4. **Judging:** Judging of this division will take place at 12:00 PM, Wednesday, January 18, 2017 in the arena.
 5. **Weight:** Minimum weight for all goats will be **60 pounds and the maximum weight will be 115 pounds.** Any goat weighing under 60 pounds or over 115 pounds will be sifted. There will be one weighing for each goat. Goats will be divided into weight classes at the discretion of the Goat Committee for judging line up.
 - a. The Goat superintendent will allow 2 pounds over or under the established weights for the division. All animals will be paid on the minimum weight of the division, if weights are less than the established weight limits for this division.
 - b. Goats not meeting the minimum and/or the maximum weight will automatically be reweighed immediately on the same scale. Goats weighing within the minimum and maximum weight will **NOT** be reweighed.
 6. **Wethers/Does:** Only castrated males, or un-bred doe kids may be shown. Any goat showing evidence of live testicular tissue or exhibiting excessive male characteristics will be sifted.
 7. **Horns:** Exhibitors will be required to have horns tipped blunt (not less than the diameter of a dime at the end) before arrival on the grounds. Failure to do so will be grounds for sifting the animal.
 8. **Shearing:** Goat must be shorn slick (approximately 3/8 inch, with no indication of blocking) above the knee and hock joints, excluding the tail switch, before arrival on the grounds. **All goats not sheered on the head, body and belly will be sifted.**
 9. **Collars & Halters:** Neck collars and halters (with leads not to exceed 12 inches) are optional for showing goats.
 10. **Placings:** The top two (2) placing goats from each weight class will return to the judging arena for Division Champion and Reserve Division Champion. Light, Medium, Medium Heavy and Heavy Divisions will be utilized. The Grand Champion Goat of the show will be selected from one of the four (4) Division Champions. Once selected, the Reserve Division Champion from the Grand Champion Divisions will move up to compete for the Reserve Grand Champion Meat Goat of the show. All goats will be placed with a blue and/or red ribbon (s) awarded accordingly.
 11. **Blue Ribbons:** All animals that are judged to be of Market Quality will receive Blue Ribbons.

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- 12. **Showmanship:** Refer to General Rule 19. Exhibitor must show his/her entry in the showmanship ring drive. The winners of the Top Junior, Top Intermediate and Top Senior Showman will be awarded. These winners will then compete for the Top Showman Award.
- 13. **Animal Care:** (Refer to General Rule #23; Page 20)
- 14. **Stalls, Pens and Equipment:** (Refer to General Rule #24: Page 20)

Awards - Meat Goats

Grand Champion Goat.....Plaque, Belt Buckle & Banner
 Reserve Champion Goat.....Plaque, Belt Buckle & Banner
 Division Champion Plaque & Banner
 Reserve Division Champion Plaque & Banner
 Class Winners (If awards are available)....Belt Buckle or Plaque
 1st - 10th Placing (per class).....1st - 10th Placing Ribbons
 Top Showmanship Award-Market Meat Goat ..Traveling Trophy
 Top Senior Showman.....Belt Buckle
 Runner-Up Senior ShowmanAward
 Top Intermediate Showman Award.....Belt Buckle
 Runner-Up Intermediate Showman Award.....Award
 Top Junior Showman.....Belt Buckle
 Runner-Up Junior Showman AwardAward
 Showmanship Finalists.....Recognition Award
 Blue, Red and White ribbons awarded accordingly.



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"Boot Scoot"

race for all ages

*Held immediately following the
Blazin' Boot 5K*

Friday, January 13, 2017
7:00 PM