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entire herd's disqualification from the show.

5. For questions about health regulations and/or rules of exhibition, contact the Florida Department of Agriculture, Animal Industry, District 4 Office at (863) 578-1863.

RULES OF EXHIBITION

As required by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

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5C-4.0015 Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter, the definitions in Section 585.01, F.S., and the following shall apply:

(1) Accredited tuberculosis-free herd. As defined in Rule 5C-3.001, F.A.C.

(2) Accredited tuberculosis-free state or zone. As defined in Rule 5C-3.001, F.A.C.

(3) Accredited veterinarian. As defined in Rule 5C-3.001, F.A.C.

(4) Approved livestock facility. As defined in Rule 5C-3.001, F.A.C.

(5) Authorized Representative. An employee of the state or federal government, or a licensed veterinarian accredited by the USDA, who is authorized to conduct animal disease control and eradication activities.

(6) Certified brucellosis-free state or area. As defined in Rule 5C-3.001, F.A.C.

(7) Certified brucellosis-free herd. As defined in Rule 5C-3.001, F.A.C.

(8) Classified brucellosis-Class A state or area. As defined in Rule 5C-3.001, F.A.C.

(9) Department. As defined in Rule 5C-3.001, F.A.C.

(10) Electronic Official Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (ECVI). An electronic certificate provided by USDA Veterinary

Services Process Streamlining System or a third-party vendor approved by the United States Animal Health Association (USAHA) ECVI Data Standards Subcommittee and issued by licensed and accredited veterinarians in animal's state of origin.

(11) Exhibition. Any fair allowing the displaying or presenting livestock, including poultry, to the general public for an animal exhibit or animal show.

(12) Fair(s). Annual public fair as defined in F.S. 616.001, that exhibits domestic animals.

(13) Group. One or more Animals maintained on the same premises or in contact with one another.

(14) Isolation. Separation of individual Animals by a physical barrier in a manner that assures one Animal does not have access

to the body, excrement, or discharges of another Animal; does not share a building with a common ventilation system; and is not within ten feet of another Animal.

(15) Market class. An exhibition class consisting of finished fed animals.

(16) Official certificate of veterinary inspection (OCVI). As defined in Rule 5C-3.001, F.A.C.

(17) Official individual identification. As defined in Rule 5C-3.001, F.A.C.

(18) Official test. A test conducted by a licensed and accredited veterinarian with method approved by Department rules for the specific disease and animal species.

(19) Owner. The owner of the animal or herd or the owner's authorized agent.

(20) Pseudorabies. A contagious, infectious herpesvirus, causing communicable disease of livestock and other animals also

known as Aujeszky's disease or mad itch.

(21) Recognized slaughtering establishment. As defined in Rule 5C-3.001, F.A.C.

(22) Swine brucellosis. An infectious bacterial disease caused by *Brucella suis* (*B. suis*) biovars 1 or 3, most frequently affecting

swine but able to cause disease in other animals and humans.

(23) Terminal swine show. An exhibition market class consisting of swine that are isolated and housed separately from all other

animals and designated for slaughter only channels.

(24) Validated brucellosis-free herd, as defined in 9 CFR §78.1 (JAN 2024). This definition of validated brucellosis-free herd is hereby incorporated by reference and available online at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-17727>.

Rulemaking Authority 570.07(23), 585.002(4), 585.08(2), 585.145(2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History—New 1-19-95, Amended 6-4-95, 6-21-06, 2-19-14, 11-21-18, 3-17-25.

5C-4.0017 General Requirements, Exemptions and Limitations.

(1) OCVI Required. Animals presented for exhibition purposes in Florida, unless specifically exempted, must be accompanied by an OCVI.

(a) The OCVI must be complete including the breed, sex, and registration number and, if applicable, the official individual identification of each animal.

(b) Results of a specific test requirement or herd accreditation, certification or validation number for each animal must be recorded on the OCVI with the date of the test or herd accreditation, certification or validation.

(2) Expiration of Required OCVI.

(a) For Florida-origin animals, an OCVI is valid for 90 days from the date of issue; or until the expiration date of any required tests, whichever is the earliest date.

(b) For animals imported into Florida for exhibition purposes only, the OCVI is valid for 30 days.

(3) Inspection. Prior to immediate acceptance at an exhibition, all animals presented for exhibition must be made available for inspection by an authorized representative for:

(a) The required Official Individual Identification of the Animal; and

(b) Clinical signs of disease including, but not limited to: caseous lymphadenitis, blisters/ulcers around the mouth, nostrils, coronary band, pinkeye, pox, scabies, lice, ringworm, atrophic rhinitis, or multiple warts that are clearly visible; and

(c) Evidence of compliance with Animal tests and OCVI requirements, where required.

(4) Animals Rejected for Exhibition.

(a) Any Animal in noncompliance with Animal tests and OCVI requirements, or

(b) Any Animal not meeting the Official Individual Identification requirements, or

(c) Any animal which is suspected of having or showing clinical signs of dangerous transmissible, contagious or infectious disease on visual inspection, or any animal which is known to be exposed to such diseases must be:

1. Immediately withdrawn from exhibition and returned to the place of origin, or

2. Examined at the owner's expense, by a Florida-licensed accredited veterinarian who certifies by a signed, written statement, that the animal is free of dangerous transmissible,

contagious or infectious diseases and pests. The accredited veterinarian's examination must take place within 24 hours of the initial inspection by the authorized representative.
 Rulemaking Authority 570.07(23), 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(2) FS. Law Implemented 570.07(15), 585.003, 585.08(1), (2)(a), 585.145(1), (2), 585.16, 585.162 FS. History—New 6-21-06, Amended 10-17-18, 12-8-24.



5C-4.005 Goats or Sheep.

(1) OCVI Required.

(a) Florida-origin goats or sheep presented for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 90 days prior to exhibition, except lamb or kids less than three months of age and accompanied by their dam.

(b) Goats or sheep imported into Florida for exhibition must requirements set forth in Rule 5C-3.005, F.A.C. An OCVI is required for entry into and Exhibition and must be dated within 30 days prior to entry.

(2) Identification. All goats or sheep entered for exhibition purposes must have official individual identification, except lambs or kids under three months of age accompanied by their dam that has official individual identification.

(3) Tests or Certification Required.

(a) All dairy goats imported into the state for exhibition purposes for no more than 30 days are exempted from the import testing

requirements in subsection 5C-3.005(4), F.A.C., provided:

1. The animals originate from:

- a. Accredited tuberculosis-free states or herds, and
- b. Certified brucellosis-free herds or classified brucellosis-Class A states or areas.

2. The animals return to the state of origin within 30 days of entry into Florida, and

3. The animals' milk is not used for human or pet consumption in Florida.

(b) Dairy goats that remain in Florida for more than 30 days must meet the brucellosis and tuberculosis import testing requirements in the subsection 5C-3.005(4), F.A.C.

(c) There are no tuberculosis or brucellosis test requirements for meat type goats, pygmy goats, or Florida-origin dairy goats.

Rulemaking Authority 570.07(23), 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(2) FS. Law Implemented 570.07(15), 570.36(1), (2), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History—New 11-4-76, Formerly 5C-4.05, Amended 4-17-89, 1-19-95, 6-4-95, 6-21-06, 1-3-19, 12-8-24.

5C-29.002 General Requirements for Movement of Sheep and Goats.

(1) Identification Requirements.

(a) All sheep and goats moved intrastate or interstate for any purpose must be officially identified to their flock/herd of birth. All sheep and goats that change ownership for any purpose must be officially identified to their flock/herd of birth as required by 9 C.F.R. § 79.2 (2008). In cases where the flock/herd of birth cannot be determined, the sheep and goats must be officially identified to the flock/herd of origin.

(b) Official Identification Methods: Only APHIS-approved identification methods of sheep and goats as required by the USDA Scrapie Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules, APHIS 91-55-079, June 1, 2005, may be used. Such identification methods must be permanent or tamper-evident, secure, carry a unique premise and individual animal number, and be traceable to flock/herd of birth or flock/herd of origin. Approved methods of identification include:

1. Official USDA-APHIS-VS ear tags,

2. Premises identification tattoos (must be legible and contain the flock/herd number and unique animal number),

3. Official registry tattoos (must be accompanied by either an official breed registration certificate or an OCVI that includes the corresponding official registration number), or

4. Electronic microchip/implant (must be accompanied by owner statement of ID numbers and chip manufacturer, and agent should have a chip reader for verification of placement).

(2) Responsibility for the Identification of Sheep and Goats.

(a) Primary Responsibility. The owner of the flock/herd of origin has the primary responsibility for the identification of all sheep and goats before moving their animals and involving them in intrastate commerce and before they are commingled with animals from different flocks/herds of origin. If official identification has not been placed on the sheep or goats by the owner before leaving the flock/herd of origin and moving them for the purpose of involving them in intrastate commerce, the owner must ensure that the sheep or goats are officially identified before the animals are commingled with sheep and goats from different flocks/herds of origin and before change of ownership.

(b) Secondary Responsibility. Persons with secondary responsibility to identify sheep or goats include:

1. A person who delivers any sheep or goats to a place where they will be commingled must ensure that the sheep or goats are officially identified to their premises of origin before allowing contact with sheep or goats from different flocks/herds or before the change of ownership.

2. A person who receives any sheep or goats that are required to be identified to their premises of origin must ensure that the sheep or goats are officially identified to their premises of origin before commingling with sheep or goats from different flocks/herds or before change of ownership.

(3) Retagging Sheep and Goats with Lost Identification.

(a) If a sheep or goat loses its identification to its flock/herd of birth or origin while in intrastate or interstate commerce the person that has control or possession of the sheep or goat is responsible for identifying the animal before commingling with sheep or goats of different flocks/herds of origin.

(b) The person retagging the sheep or goat shall record the identification number and the flock/herd of origin of the animal. If the flock/herd or origin cannot be determined all possible flocks/herds of origin shall be listed in the records.

(4) Removal of Official Identification Prohibition.

(a) No person shall remove or tamper with any official identification device.

(b) Official identification devices which are damaged and are no longer functional may be replaced provided all possible flocks/herds of origin are listed in the record associated with the application of the new official identification.

(5) Violations. Sheep and goats entering the state, moving within the state, or changing ownership in violation of the provisions of this chapter may be stopped by an agent, or employee of the Division or by any FDACS law enforcement officer of the state of Florida or any subdivision of the state. Any person, firm, or association having charge, custody, or control of animals imported or moved in violation of this rule will return the animals to the state or flock/herd of origin as directed by the Division.

All Goats / Sheep must adhere to the following Scrapies rules.

**NATIONAL SHEEP AND GOAT SCRAPIE
 ERADICATION PROGRAM
 Effective July 1, 2004**



Requirements for Identification of Sheep and Goats in Shows, Exhibitions, and Fairs

This information is presented to clarify the mandatory identification requirements for sheep and goats under the National Scrapie Eradication Program. There are two components of the identification requirements that must be met before sheep and goats are allowed to move into the state or within Florida (intrastate) for shows, exhibitions, and fairs.

1. **Premises Identification** – Before official individual animal identification tags can be issued, the owner/agent must register the premises on which the animal is located and obtain a premises identification number from USDA.
2. **Individual Animal Identification** – Once the premises are registered, the owner/agent will receive official individual animal identification tags for identifying each sheep and goat. Applicator pliers will be provided to FFA, 4-H leaders, and/or fair/livestock/show committee for assisting exhibitors in the application of the official ear tags.

NOTE: Sheep and goats must be officially identified before commingling with other groups of animals. For registered purebred sheep and goats identified with a permanent official breed registration number, official ear tags are not required. However, upon presentation of such animals for exhibition, a copy of the breed registration certificate must accompany each animal. Regardless of the method of official identification, each animal must be associated with a premises identification number.

The premises must be registered before the exhibitor can receive the official individual ear tag for each animal. The official tags must be applied to the exhibitor's animals prior to presenting them for exhibition. Official ear tags must be affixed by FFA, 4-H leaders, or by a representative of the Livestock Show committee or veterinarian.

CONTACT FOR PREMISES AND INDIVIDUAL ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND TAGS

USDA Veterinary Services Area Office
8100 NW 15th Place
Gainesville, FL 32606
652-313-3060 selection 2 (for Scrapie)

GENERAL

1. Please Note: Due to health and safety issues, no cooking will be allowed in the barns; food and drink should not be consumed in animal areas; and exhibitors should wash their hands after handling animals.
2. There will be a specific area for pasteurizing milk for babies.
3. All animals must be either naturally polled, dehorned, or disbudded.
4. Sawdust will be provided as bedding. **NO OTHER BEDDING IS PERMITTED.**
5. **NO FULL-BODY CLIPPING WILL BE ALLOWED AT THE SHOW.** No electric clipping allowed in barns or doorways. There will be a designated area for clipping your animals. Check with the Superintendent about the area before clipping. You are required to clean up the area within 1/2 hour after clipping. Failure to do so will forfeit premiums.
6. Each exhibitor is responsible for seeing that their animals are fed, watered, and milked daily for the duration of the Fair. Failure to maintain animals and exhibit acceptable

standards and/or failure to cooperate with Fair Officials may result in premium forfeiture and immediate dismissal from the Fairgrounds.

7. NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED INSIDE THE GOAT BARN.

8. Exhibitors are required to furnish gate ties that will contain their animals in their pens.

9. The Superintendent will designate where to dump excess milk. Upon checking in, check with the Superintendent on where to dump milk.

10. Pen space will be assigned according to availability.

11. Only animals being shown at the Florida State Fair are permitted on the Fairgrounds. All other animals will be asked to leave.

12. Any person who violates the general or special rules posted in this premium list will forfeit all privileges and premiums won.

13. Animals are restricted to designated areas of the Fairgrounds and must not be taken from the designated area. Violators are liable for any damage incurred by the owner or animals.

14. The physical condition of an entrant, which the appropriate committee considers to be a problem for that entrant to participate in the show, may result in the committee not accepting entry or not allowing that entrant to participate in the show.

15. All exhibitors must remove tarps or coverings from around their pens by 8 a.m. each morning.

16. Unacceptable conduct will result in expulsion from the grounds and forfeiture of premiums.

17. All tack supplies, etc., must be kept within the tack space (i.e., chairs, milk stanchions, wheelbarrows, etc., cannot be put into the public aisles/walkways)

18. All campers/RVs must have a camping permit in order to be allowed on the Fairgrounds, whether or not they are used for camping.

19. All birthing(s) are discouraged in barns. Without cooperation, this will become mandatory.

20. Please Note: If your animal kids at the Fair, the Dairy Goat Superintendent must be notified, and a designated committee will determine whether the animal may show.

21. No chairs in the walkways or along the show ring.

22. No smoking or vaping in tents or barns.

23. The use of alcohol is prohibited in barns/tents and livestock areas.

24. Exhibitors are encouraged to bring wheelbarrows and show supplies.

25. Exhibitors are NOT to dismantle any portion of the pens, including the middle dividers, fronts, and backs. Please see the Show Superintendents if you have any questions or need further assistance.

26. Exhibitors are prohibited from spending the night in livestock tents, barns, or stalls.

ARRIVAL

1. An accredited veterinarian will be available to check the animals' unloading. After the veterinarian checks the animals in, the show secretary will check registration papers, health certificates, classes, and assign pens.

2. All animals must be checked in by the veterinarian between 3 pm and 5 pm on Feb. 13th. No late arrivals will be permitted.

3. The check-in booth will be open from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The desk will close at 6:00 p.m. All exhibitors must sign in at the check-in desk. IT IS THE EXHIBITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THEIR ANIMALS ARE CHECKED IN BEFORE THE BOOKS CLOSE AT 6:00 P.M.

4. SUBSTITUTIONS: ONLY 2 SUBSTITUTIONS CAN BE

MADE AT CHECK-IN. NO SUBSTITUTIONS WILL BE MADE AFTER CHECK-IN CLOSES.

4. Entrance to the livestock area will be at the Livestock Gate (formerly the Red Gate) at the Orient Road entrance on the West side of the Fairgrounds.

5. Any animal arriving late due to an emergency must notify the Agribusiness Office at (813) 621-7821.

ADMISSION

1. Each exhibitor will be issued two (2) armbands for the duration of the show. Exhibitors entering 10 animals or more will receive three (3) armbands.

2. Armbands will be picked up at check-in. Additional armbands **CANNOT** be purchased. Single-day admission tickets can be bought in advance at discount prices. See the Advance Ticket Form on the website for details. Tickets will be for sale at the gate.

3. Vehicle/Trailer Parking Passes: All Trailers will be parked in the designated areas within the interior of the grounds. Exhibitors will receive a Vehicle Pass for the duration of the show to be able to park in the Ag Lot outside of Gate 3. Only vehicles with the appropriate tags are permitted in this area.

4. Each passenger must have an armband or admission pass.

5. Red Gate Drop-Off Times (This is in addition to arrival): Vehicles will be allowed to enter through the Red Gate

between the hours of 6 am and 10 am and 3 pm and 6 pm to drop off needed feed and/or supplies. After unloading supplies, vehicles will proceed to the Ag Lot for parking.

6. Parking Map and Detailed Instructions will be posted on the Agribusiness Website before the Fair.

7. Reserved parking is provided, and exhibitors must park in the assigned Ag Lot, or your vehicle will be subject to towing.

8. Champion of Champion Lot: Limited Parking Spaces can be purchased by Exhibitors within the interior of the grounds. All information will be posted on the FSF Agribusiness website. Spaces will open for purchase on January 1st, 2026. All proceeds will go towards the Youth participating in the Champion of Champions program.

LIABILITY FOR LOSS OR THEFT

1. The owner or custodian of property of any kind brought to the Fairgrounds, either for exhibit or for other purposes, assumes as a condition of its admission to the grounds all risk and/or responsibility for its loss, damage, or theft.

2. The Fair, its officers, and its employees cannot and will not accept responsibility and liability for any damage or injury resulting from theft, fire, the elements, accidents, or other conditions or causes; whether to exhibits, property of exhibitor, vehicles on the grounds and articles left therein or any other property of any nature whatsoever.

JUDGING

1. SEE THE SHOW SCHEDULE ON PAGE 1 FOR SPECIFIC DATES AND TIMES.

2. Breeds will show in the following order: Recorded Grades, Nigerian Dwarf, Nubian, Alpine, All Other Purebreds (Oberhasli, Saanen, Sables, Toggenburg & Golden Guernsey), and LaMancha.

3. Call to ring is a courtesy – It is the exhibitor's responsibility to be in the makeup area and ready to enter the ring when their class is called. Ring calls will be twice, then the show ring will be closed to any further entries. No exceptions will be made.

4. The judge has the option to only give reasons on the top 10 animals in a class of more than 15 animals.

5. Judges will not award premiums to any article, product, or animal that is not deserving. It must be judged individually worthy.

6. The judge's decision is final, and no appeal will be

considered except in cases of written protest (see General Disputes Policy).

7. Any exhibitor who interferes with the judging will be promptly excluded from the competition if, after judging, the premiums awarded will be withheld.

8. To receive premiums, all animals must enter the show ring and be evaluated by the judge.

GENERAL DISPUTES POLICY

With respect to any disputes that may occur with respect to an exhibitor at the show, such disputes shall be handled by the appropriate Livestock Committee (the "Committee") in accordance with the following:

1. An exhibitor may file a protest with respect to another exhibitor for violation of the rules and regulations of the Committee and/or the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) National Code of Show Ring Ethics by submitting a written protest (a "Protest") on a form (the "Protest Form") which will be available at the Agribusiness Department. The Protest must include the exact basis, cause, and description of the dispute, the name of the protesting exhibitor, the name of the exhibitor being protested, and any materials in support of the Protest as well as any other matters that may be required in the Protest Form and shall be accompanied by payment of \$50 which shall be refunded only if the Protest is sustained by the Committee. The Protest Form must be signed by the exhibitor (as the protesting exhibitor), and if the exhibitor is a minor, the Protest Form must also be signed by the exhibitor's guardian or parent, unless the parent or guardian is not available under circumstances that warrant, as determined by the Agribusiness Department in its sole discretion. Failure to properly sign the Protest Form shall deem the Protest Form incomplete and null, and in such an event, the Protest will not be considered. Any Protest must be submitted (and received by the Agribusiness Department) at least two (2) hours before the show is scheduled to occur to be considered before the show. If a Protest is submitted less than two (2) hours prior to the time that the show is scheduled to occur ("a Late Submittal"), then the Committee will handle the Protest after the show in accordance with its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, but the Late Submittal shall not affect the award of ribbons for the show. In order to minimize disruption to the show, an exhibitor who intends to file a Protest should do so at the earliest feasible time. In any event, a Protest must be filed with the Agribusiness Department before the scheduled release hour for the protested exhibitor's animal to be considered.

2. The Agribusiness Department will forward any Protest Form that is duly signed (by an exhibitor as the protesting exhibitor, and if the exhibitor is a minor, the Protest Form must also be signed by the exhibitor's guardian or parent) and any accompanying materials submitted by the protesting exhibitor in support of the Protest to the Committee for its consideration. The Agribusiness Department will also notify the exhibitor being protested of the Protest as soon as reasonably practicable after the Protest has been duly submitted and make available a copy of the written Protest to the exhibitor being protested. The exhibitor being protested may, but shall not be required to, provide a written response to the Protest (a "Response") by submitting a Response to the Agribusiness Department, including any materials in support of the response to the Protest, and the Agribusiness Department shall provide the Response to Committee. A Response shall be on a form obtained from the Agribusiness Department and must be signed by the protested exhibitor, and if they protested exhibitor is a minor, the Response must also be signed by the protested exhibitor's guardian or parent, unless the parent or guardian is



not available due to circumstances that warrant, as determined by the Agribusiness Department in its sole discretion. The Agribusiness Department shall make available a copy of the Response to the protesting exhibitor upon request by the protesting exhibitor, but it shall be the protesting exhibitor's responsibility to monitor the Protest and to obtain a copy of the Response. The Agribusiness Department will attempt to notify the protesting exhibitor and the exhibitor being protested of the time of the Committee's review and consideration of the Protest by calling their respective cell phone numbers if provided on the Protest Form and/or the Response Form, but it shall be the protesting exhibitor and protested exhibitor's responsibility to monitor the Protest and obtain the time of the Committee's review and consideration of the Protest and to be available at the time scheduled for the Committee's consideration of the Protest. For any late submission, the committee will handle the process of reviewing the Protest after the show.

3. The Committee members present will review the Protest and the Response, if any, in the context of its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and will decide to resolve the Protest by a majority of the Committee members present. In the event of a tie vote, the Protest shall be deemed denied by the Committee. The committee's decision will be final.

4. The Committee also may apply and enforce its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics with respect to exhibitors at the show.

5. By entering the show, all exhibitors and their respective parents and/or guardians shall be deemed to have acknowledged and accepted this General Disputes Policy.

OPEN SHOW ATTIRE

All exhibitors should be clean and neat and dressed in white or black jeans/slacks, a white shirt, and a white collar. Closed-toed shoes or boots are required. No Hats or Caps in the show ring. Crocs or leggings are NOT allowed. Exhibitors not conforming to the Dress Code will not be permitted to enter the show ring.

RELEASE

1. Goats will be released at the end of the show on February 15, 2026.

2. All pens must be left free of any material other than the sawdust provided. Saturated sawdust must also be removed. Water buckets must be dumped outside of the tent area. Milk must be dumped in the milk dump.

3. Exhibitors will be required to sign in and sign out. All exhibitors must have a signed Release Form in order to leave – release forms will be issued when pens have been checked and approved for cleanliness. Anyone not signing out will forfeit all premium monies.

PREMIUMS AND AWARDS

1. Premiums will be paid based on the judging reports, which the judge must sign and the department superintendent or clerk.
2. Premiums will be mailed to the exhibitor after the Fair to the address submitted online. Errors in premium statements will not be corrected after April 1, 2026.

Checks will be void six months from the date on the check. After six months, all uncashed checks will be voided, and replacement checks will not be issued.

3. If a Social Security Number or Federal ID number is not provided, the Fair will not issue a premium check.

No premiums will be presented for the Junior Show or Senior Show on Saturday. RIBBONS ONLY will be given.

BASE DATE OF SHOW: FEBRUARY 14, 2026

PREMIUM SCHEDULE FOR JUNIOR SHOW AND SENIOR SHOW ON SUNDAY.

Classes 1,2,3,4,5,8,16,17,18,19 Monies will be 1st=\$30, 2nd=\$25, 3rd=\$21, 4th=\$17, 5th=\$13, 6th/7th=\$10

Classes 10,11,12,13,22,23,24 Monies will be 1st=\$25, 2nd=\$20, 3rd=\$15

Rosette - Class 9

Senior Doe Show

Any doe that has freshened or that is being milked regularly shall compete in the Senior Doe Show.

This includes dry and precocious milkers.

Class Number and Name

1. Milkers under 2 years old
2. Milkers 2 years old and under 3 years,
3. Milkers 3 years and under 4 years
4. Milkers 4 years and under 5 years
5. Milkers 5 years and older
6. **GRAND CHAMPION**
7. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION**
8. Champion Challenge Class—Proof of the current championship must be presented before class.
9. **BEST UDDER IN BREED**
10. Dam and Daughter (dam and one daughter) **
11. Produce of Dam (two does that have freshened and are the produce of one dam) **
12. Get-of-Sire (three does that have freshened and are the get of one sire) **
13. Dairy Herd (four does in milk of any single breed belonging to a single Herd Number) **

**Please Note – These classes are limited to one entry per Herd Number per breed.

All animals shown in group classes must have been shown in the Open Show and entered before arriving at the Show.

Following Classes: All Breeds Competing

14. **BEST SENIOR DOE IN SHOW**
15. **BEST UDDER IN SHOW**

Junior Doe Show

Show Classes: Standardized classes will be shown in the following order. (Any doe under 24 months that has never freshened.)

Class Number and Name

16. Junior doe kids, under 6 months
17. Senior doe kids 6 months & under 12 months
18. Junior doelings, 12 and under 18 months
19. Senior doelings, 18 and under 24 months
20. **GRAND CHAMPION**
21. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION**
22. *Produce of Dam (to consist of two does that are the produce of one dam. Dam must be named on entry.)
23. *Breeder's Trio (to consist of three does, all owned and bred by the exhibitor under the same ADGA herd number)
24. *Get-of-Sire (to consist of three does all sired by the same buck. Sire must be named on entry.)

Following Classes: All Breeds Competing

25. **BEST JUNIOR DOE IN SHOW**

*In Group Classes, exhibitors are allowed to have one entry per Herd Number per breed.

All animals shown in group classes must have been shown in the open show and entered before arriving at the Show. For classes 10, 11, 12, 22, and 24, the name of the dam and/or sire must be indicated in the entry.

TO ENTER THE YOUTH DAIRY GOAT SHOW -
SEE THE RULES AND LINK TO ONLINE ENTRY
ON THE WEBSITE

www.floridastatefairag.com

CAMPGROUND/GOLF CARTS

1. PLEASE NOTE: ALL CAMPER/RVS MUST HAVE A CAMPING PERMIT IN ORDER TO BE ALLOWED ON THE FAIRGROUNDS, WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE USED FOR CAMPING.

2. Campground Rules and Reservation Form are available on our website.

3. Golf cart permits must be purchased to be allowed on the fairgrounds. Carts without permits will need to be removed from the grounds.

SHOWERS/EXHIBITOR CHANGING AREA

1. Shower/changing area facilities are available on the grounds for use by exhibitors only!

2. Access to shower facilities will be allowed to Livestock Exhibitors through the Agribusiness Office.

MOTEL ACCOMMODATION

1. For motel accommodation information, see our website for the Preferred Hotel List.

QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM

The Florida State Fair believes that every animal participating in activities of the Florida State Fair shall at all times be provided proper care and management in the best interest of the animal's welfare.

1. Quality assurance testing or a survey may be done at the Florida State Fair.

2. All animals are subject to testing at any time:

A. To determine whether an animal qualifies for competition in a particular breed classification.

B. To determine whether the animal has been unethically fitted in any way.

C. To determine whether any false information

Or representation was made in a competition entry.

3. During the online process, the exhibitor acknowledges that they have read and agree to the IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics (Please note: Rule #4 deals specifically with drugs).

4. Use of drugs, in animals, not in compliance with the manufacturer's label as to dosage, time of withdrawal limitations, or other manufacturer's limitations, and show regulations are **PROHIBITED**. The use of tranquilizers or possession of the same after arrival at the Fair will be construed as tampering.

5. Violators will be disqualified and will forfeit all premiums and awards, including the sale price of animals, if applicable, and future entry of exhibitors and/or family at the Florida State Fair.

6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices that are not recognized as acceptable training, restraint, or animal movement techniques is prohibited.

IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS)

NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

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 National Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations that they impose on the local, county, state, provincial, and national levels.

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 example. 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 exhibitions 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.

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 drugs. 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.

If the laboratory report on the chemical analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other samples 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 or urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the approved 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 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 at any hearing in regard to the matter conducted by the fair or livestock show.

At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or irritant substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, 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 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 individuals 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 any disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this 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 consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action 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 is 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.

FLORIDA STATE FAIR AUTHORITY LIVESTOCK ADDENDUM

OWNER represents to Florida State Fair Authority ("AUTHORITY") that no animals that are exhibited or otherwise transported onto FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS will in any way be suffering from any contagious or infectious disease. In addition, OWNER shall defend, indemnify, and hold the AUTHORITY, the applicable Show Committee and each of their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agents harmless of and from all losses, damages, claims, expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees at the trial and appellate levels, actions and causes of action arising out of, or in any way connected with, or by reason of this Agreement, the presence of OWNER's livestock at FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS, and/or use of FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS including, but not limited to any claim for the death of, or injury to any person or livestock, or damage to, theft of, or destruction of any property arising out of any act or omission of OWNER, OWNER's officers, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, riders, handlers, contractors and livestock, violation of any Federal, State and Local environmental laws, rules, ordinances and/or regulations, actions for negligence, wrongful death, torts, defects in the real and personal property at FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS and from any alleged liability, cause, litigation or proceeding whatsoever, even if such injury, death, loss or property damage results, in whole or in part, from the negligence of AUTHORITY, or the applicable Show Committee and their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agents or otherwise. Neither AUTHORITY nor such applicable Show Committee shall be liable to OWNER, or any officer, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, riders, handlers, or other contractors, invitees, or guests of OWNER for any injury or damage to livestock, person, or property. AUTHORITY, its officers, or agents, assume no liability for any loss or damage to property (including but not limited to livestock) on account of fire, theft, or any other cause including infectious or contagious diseases. In addition, OWNER acknowledges receiving and agrees to abide by the applicable rules and regulations of the AUTHORITY titled FLORIDA STATE FAIR LIVESTOCK RULES & PRIZE LIST, and the same are incorporated by reference herein.

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