

Due to Covid-19, check in, weigh in and other rules listed below are subject to change. Up to date changes will be posted in the NC State Fair Livestock newsletter and the NC State Fair livestock Facebook page. Any such updates take precedence over statements in premium book.

JUNIOR MARKET WETHER MEAT GOATS

Dept 025

SUPERINTENDENT: Ron Hughes – Retired Agricultural Extension Agent

JUDGE: Terry Burks – Bowling Green, KY

CHECK IN: Wethers will be weighed and tagged Sunday, October 18 between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm in the Exposition building.

NOTE: Exhibitors will receive an email after entry deadline concerning pen assignments. Exhibitors will need to checkin with personnel located at a designated area prior to unloading their animal to receive pen assignment. **There will be no reserving pens, and any goat penned without prior approval may be ejected from the fairgrounds and not allowed to show.** Animals will not be allowed to enter the barns until inspected and passed by health officials. An approval card will be issued after inspection, prior to entering the barn.

SHOW DATE: Monday, October 19 at 9:00 am in the Exposition Building.

RELEASE TIME: Released at the end of show.

EXHIBITORS: All exhibitors must be residents of North Carolina and 18 years of age or younger as of January 1, 2020 and be able to show the animal on their own. Goats not trained to the show ring will be disqualified.

ENTRIES: Each exhibitor may exhibit a total of two wethers. Only wethers - NO DOES - with all baby teeth and weighing 50 to 120 lbs will be allowed to show. All horn tips must be dulled and/or blunt. Junior meat goats must have been owned and cared for by the exhibitor since September 1, 2020. The Junior Market Wether Meat Goats Showmanship Champion Contest can be found in Department 28, Section 104 and must be entered separately.

HEALTH: The health regulations of the Veterinary Division of the NCDA will be strictly enforced. Be sure to read these under "Rules and Regulations of the Livestock Division" before entering. Any questionable health problems will be referred to the livestock director and/or the State Veterinarian. Animals with obvious abscesses (opened or unopened), ringworm, soremouth or any other contagious disease will not be allowed in the barn. All goats must be appropriately identified and comply with USDA and NCDA&CS Scrapie Eradication Program guidelines. Call 1-866-USDA TAG (873-2824) or (919)855-7707 for more information.

All market meat goats entered in the NC State Fair will be required to be RFID tagged by a representative of NCDA&CS prior to August 8, 2020. Tagging stations will be located throughout the state. Bring signed and completed Animal Housing Form to tagging stations. Animal Housing Forms, date, time and locations of tagging locations are posted at <http://www.ncagr.gov/markets/livestock/ncstatefair/index.htm>. Contact Ben Carpenter at (919) 270-8917 or ben.carpenter@ncagr.gov with any questions.

It is the expectation that all junior exhibitors be involved in the care of their livestock project(s) during the ownership time frame specified for each species. Project animals must be housed near enough to the exhibitor to be cared for regularly by the exhibitor. Market and breeding animals should be housed at the same location. Housing location of project animals entered at the NC State Fair should be the same location as other project animals exhibited by the junior participant throughout the year in county and other local and regional circuit shows. All market animal exhibitors

COMPETITION:

Open to NC residents 18 years of age or younger as of January 1, 2020

ENTRY DEADLINE:

September 15, 2020
Online entries begin August 1 at www.ncstatefair.org
Mailed or hand delivered paper entries will be charged a \$5.00 processing fee.

HEALTH REGULATIONS:

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need to complete the State Fair Animal Nomination form at <https://apps.ncagr.gov/EventRegistration/Pages/State-fair/Livestock/NominationForm.aspx>

ETHICS: Illegal drugs, and/or unethical conduct in fitting and showing Junior Meat Goats will not be tolerated at the North Carolina State Fair.

GOT TO BE NC AWARD

In 2016, the NC Born and Bred program began using the “Got to Be NC” slogan to recognize the award winning livestock originating in NC. In order for livestock to be eligible for the program, the animal exhibited must be conceived and born in NC. The producer of the animal must be a NC resident and a member of the “Got to Be NC” program. Livestock must be identified with an official “Got to Be NC” tag purchased by the producer before they are sold. All producers will be required to maintain records matching their individual USDA scrapie tags with the “Got to Be NC” tag placed in each animal. A copy of this record should be submitted to NCDA Livestock Marketing division by August 1st. Exhibitors must bring all market animals to a designated checkpoint by August 8th to be validated. For more information, membership application, and tag record form please visit: <http://www.ncagr.gov/markets/livestock/ncstatefair/index.htm>.

JUNIOR MARKET WETHER MEAT GOAT PREMIUMS TO BE DETERMINED

Section 101 - Junior Market Wether Meat Goats

Market classes will be determined by ascending weights with a maximum of 20 animals per class.

00101 - (Classes and divisions will be divided as determined by number of entries)

Division Champions:

Light Weight

Medium Weight

Heavy Weight

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Reserve Division Champions:

Light Weight

Medium Weight

Heavy Weight

GRAND CHAMPION JUNIOR MARKET WETHER

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3RD OVERALL

GRAND CHAMPION GOT TO BE NC JR. MKT. WETHER