PYGMY GOAT SHOW

February 14 - 15, 2027

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Show Co-Coordinator .....Debbie Whitney

Sanctioned by NPGA - NPGA Rules To Govern

Schedule:
Entry Due Date.....December 11, 2026
(No paper entry forms will be accepted for the 2027 Fair.)
1st Late Entry Period.....December 18, 2026
.....(Double Entry Fees)
Final Late Entry Period.....January 11, 2027
..... (Double Entry Fee plus $200.00)

FEBRUARY 13TH
Early Arrival (*Requires Request*) .....4 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Early arrivals will ONLY be permitted if a written request is submitted to Florida State Fair Ag by January 11th. Exhibitors will be notified by February 1st if the request has been approved.

FEBRUARY 14TH
Pygmies Arrive..... 8 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Sanction Show (Premiums).....5 p.m.

FEBRUARY 15TH
Showmanship .....9 a.m.
Sanction Show (No Premiums).....following Showmanship
Club Sponsored Sanction Show...following Non-Pay Show
Pygmies Released..... after conclusion of shows

INTERPRETATION OF RULES
The management of the Florida State Fair reserves the right to amend, add to, and interpret the following Rules and Regulations; and to arbitrarily settle and determine all questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with or incident to the Fair.

ENTRIES
1. Entry Due Date - Entry Due Date - All entries must be submitted and paid online on or before December 11, 2026. It is the policy of the Florida State Fair to abide by all Rules and Regulations as posted on the Florida State Fair Agribusiness website at www.floridastatefairag.com.

Entry fee will be determined by the date entries are submitted online.

The 1st Late Entry Period for entries **submitted online** between December 12 & December 18, 2026, is subject to space availability and will be charged double entry fees.

The Final Late Entry Period for entries **submitted online** between December 19, 2026, & January 11, 2027, is subject to space availability and will be charged double entry fees plus a $200.00 fee (Open). January 11, 2027, is the final entry date

2. All entries must be submitted through the Online submission process. Entry fee is $20.00 per goat (Both Shows and pen fees included).

3. All substitutions and corrections must be emailed to **Florida State Fair Ag** on or before January 27, 2027**. Only TWO substitutions can be made at check-in and must be submitted on the Substitution Form. All substitutions MUST be made at check-in** from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. **NO SUBSTITUTIONS WILL BE MADE AFTER CHECK-IN.**

3. The Florida State Fair reserves the right to limit entries based on stall/pen availability. Entries will be accepted in chronological order based on the postmark.
4. Only animals exhibited, entered, shown, and checked by the state veterinarian will be allowed in the barn. No exceptions! Kids under 4 months of age may be brought into the barn after the appropriate Vet. check.
7. The official registration certificate is required for all registered animals. The registration or stamped duplicate must be available to the show secretary at time of arrival.
8. Cancellations—In order to qualify for a fee refund, notice of cancellations must be received for the Pygmy Goat Show by January 11th. Cancellations may be made by email. Email cancellations to Florida State Fair Ag.
9. Any exhibitor from a family with an outstanding balance owed to the Fair will not be eligible to show at the Florida State Fair.

HEALTH RULES
1. All animals must meet health regulations as specified in the Rules for Exhibition as required by the Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services.
2. Goats must be free of clinical symptoms of caseous lymphadenitis. Animals showing clinical symptoms of this disease will not be allowed to enter the area of activity or associate with animals entered by other participants. To define CL: enlargement of lymph nodes, whether draining or not. Evidence of incised lymph nodes will be prima facie evidence of caseous lymphadenitis in the animal under scrutiny.
3. Goats must be free of symptoms of all other contagious and infectious diseases, whether or not such diseases are herein named specifically.
4. The show veterinarian has the final decision on whether animals satisfy all health requirements. By application for admission, each exhibitor agrees to show his/her animals by these rules. Presenting obviously unhealthy animals may, subject to the ruling of the show committee, result in the entire herd's disqualification from the show.
5. Contact the Florida Department of Agriculture, Animal Industry, District 4 Office at (863) 578-1863 with questions pertaining to Health Regulations and/or Rules of Exhibition.

RULES OF EXHIBITION
As required by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
5C-4.0015 Definitions
5C-4.0017 General Requirements, Exemptions and Limitations
5C-4.005 Goats or Sheep
5C-29.002 General Requirements for Movement of Sheep and Goats

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 unique premises and individual animal numbers, and traceable to the flock/herd of birth or flock/herd of origin. Approved methods of identification include:

1. Official USDA-APHIS-VS eartags,

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 the 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 the 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 can not 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 to assist 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
(352) 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. PLEASE NOTE: DOES, WETHERS AND BUCKS WILL BE SHOWN
3. Bedding must be provided by the exhibitor.
4. Each exhibitor is responsible for seeing that his animals are fed, watered, and milked daily for the duration of the Show. **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.**
5. There will not be a designated area for clipping your animals.
6. NO DOGS IN THE GOAT TENT!!!
7. Pen space will be assigned according to availability.
8. 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.
9. Only the exhibitors showing the goats and the judge will be allowed in the ring.
10. Any aged person may participate as long as they can control their goat without assistance.
11. Any person who violates the general or special rules posted in this premium list will forfeit all privileges and premiums won.
12. The appropriate committee may consider an entrant's physical condition to be a problem for participating in the show. In this case, the committee may not accept entry or not allow the entrant to participate in the show.
13. Smoking is not permitted in the barns.
14. The use of alcohol is prohibited in barns and livestock areas.

ARRIVAL

1. An accredited veterinarian will be available to check the goats' unloading. After the vet checks the animals, the show secretary will check registration papers and proper classes and assign horse stalls.
2. All animals must be checked in by the Veterinarian between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Feb. 13th or 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Feb. 14th. No late arrivals will be permitted that have not notified the Agribusiness Office at 813-627-4229 that they had an emergency.
3. Upon arrival, the horse stalls will be empty, and it will be the exhibitor's responsibility to bring their own shavings or purchase shavings from the fair. Purchase costs and information will be available in the Agribusiness office. Free sawdust will be available to exhibitors to use in horse stalls also.

ADMISSION

1. Each exhibitor will be issued – Two (2) armbands
Over 10 animals – 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-Offs Times (This is in addition to arrival): Vehicles will be allowed to enter through the Red Gate between the hours of 6 am to 10 am and 3 pm to 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 prior to 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, 2027. 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. Judging will be on February 14th at 5:00 p.m. and 15th will begin at 9 a.m.
2. A Club Sponsored Sanctioned Show will be held on February 15th following the Non-Pay show. No premiums will be paid, this

show will be for Sanction Points Only.
3. Judges will not award premiums to any article, product, or animal that is not deserving. It must be judged individually worthy.
4. The decision of the judge shall be final, and no appeal will be considered except in cases of written protest (see General Disputes Policy).
5. Any exhibitor who interferes with the judging will be promptly excluded from the competition; after judging, the premiums awarded will be withheld.
6. All animals must enter the show ring and be evaluated by the judge in order to receive premiums.

GENERAL DISPUTES POLICY

With respect to any disputes which 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 which 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 event, the Protest will not be considered. Any Protest must be submitted (and received by the Agribusiness Department) at least two (2) hours prior to the time that the show is scheduled to occur in order to be considered prior to 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 prior to the scheduled release hour for the protested exhibitor's animal in order to be considered.
2. The Agribusiness Department will forward any Protest Form which 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 the 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 for review of 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 make a decision 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 decision of the Committee 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.

RELEASE

1. Release will be on Monday, February 15th after the conclusion of the shows. Exhibitors do not need a release form.
2. Exhibitors will forfeit premiums for early departure.

PREMIUMS AND AWARDS

1. Premiums will be paid based on the judging reports, which must be signed by the judge and/or the show coordinator or clerk.
2. Premiums will be mailed to the exhibitor after the Fair to the address given on the entry form.
Checks will be void after 6 months from the date on the check. After 6 months, all uncashed checks will be voided, and replacement checks will not be issued.
3. The management of the Florida State Fair reserves the right to revise the premiums' dollar amount.

Sunday Show:
*** No premiums will be paid to unregistered classes**

1st=$30, **2nd**=$25, **3rd**=$21, **4th**=$17, **5th**=$13

5:00 p.m. NPGA Rosettes to all Junior, Senior and Grand Champions
*Rosettes to Best Unregistered Doe
State Fair Awards to Grand and Reserve Grand Doe
Ribbons - Places 1st through 5th

Monday Shows: No Premiums
* No premiums will be paid for showmanship
9:00 a.m. NPGA Rosettes to all Junior, Senior and Grand Champions
*Rosettes to Best Unregistered Doe
State Fair Awards to Grand and Res. Grand Doe
Ribbons - Places 1st through 5th

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

NPGA rules govern and take precedence over all others

WETHERS:

1. Wethers: 6 months and under
2. Wethers: Over 6 months to 12 months
3. Wethers: Over 12 months to 18 months
4. Wethers: Over 18 months to 24 months
5. Wethers: Over 2 to 3 years old
6. Wethers: Over 3 to 4 years old
7. Wethers: Over 4 to 5 years old
8. Wethers: 5 years and over
9. GRAND CHAMPION WETHER
10. RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION WETHER
11. STERLING WETHER

JUNIOR DOES:

12. Junior Does: 0-3 months
13. Junior Does: Over 3 to 6 months
14. Junior Does: Over 6 to 9 months
15. Junior Does: Over 9 to 12 months
16. Junior Does: Over 12 to 15 months
17. Junior Does: Over 15 to 18 months
18. Junior Does: Over 18 to 21 months
19. Junior Does: Over 21 to 24 months
20. JUNIOR CHAMPION DOE
21. RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION DOE

SENIOR DOES:

22. Doe in Milk: Any age
23. Senior Doe, Freshened: 12-18 months
24. Senior Doe, Freshened: 18-24 months
25. Senior Doe: 2 to under 3 years
26. Senior Doe: 3 to under 4 years
27. Doe: 4 to under 5 years
27. Doe: 5 years and over
28. SENIOR CHAMPION DOE
29. RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION DOE

31. GRAND CHAMPION DOE
32. RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION DOE
33. MASTER DOE

JUNIOR BUCKS:

34. Bucks: 0-3 months
35. Bucks: 3-6 months
36. Bucks: 6-9 months
37. Bucks: 9-12 months
38. JUNIOR CHAMPION BUCK
39. RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION BUCK

SENIOR BUCKS:

40. Bucks: 12-18 months
41. Bucks: 18-24 months
42. Bucks: 2 to under 3 years
43. Bucks: 3 to under 4 years
44. Bucks: 4 to under 5 years
45. Bucks: 5 years and over
46. SENIOR CHAMPION BUCK
47. RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION BUCK

48. GRAND CHAMPION BUCK
49. RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BUCK
50. MASTER BUCK

REMEMBER: USE SHOW DATES AS BASE AGE DATE!!!

SHOWMANSHIP (Age as of September 1, 2026)
*** Please Note: Exhibitors will be allowed to sign up for Showmanship at check-in.**

51. Junior: 8 to 10 Yrs.
52. Intermediate: 11 to 13 Yrs.
53. Senior: 14 to 18 Yrs.
54. Adults: 19 Yrs. & Over

INFORMATIVE DISPLAY CONTEST

1. To continue the ongoing program of educating the fair-going public about agriculture in Florida, the Pygmy Goat Committee has created a display contest for all Pygmy Goat Exhibitors. Exhibitors are encouraged to create an informative display highlighting their animals and presenting more information about the industry.
2. Displays will be judged on Sunday, February 14th, by an independent judge or judges.
3. Divisions: Junior (up to 18 years old) & Adult
4. Judging Criteria:

Sign identifying owner .....10 points
Display identifying animals.....10 points
Educational value for the Public.....50 points
Cleanliness of animals and display area .....30 points
.....**100 Total Possible**

5. Ribbons will be awarded for 1st and 2nd place displays.

CAMPGROUND/GOLF CARTS

1. PLEASE NOTE: ALL CAMPERS/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 is available on our website.
3. Golf cart permits must be purchased in order to be allowed on the fairgrounds. Any golf carts without a permit will need to be removed from the grounds.

MOTEL ACCOMMODATION

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

QUALITY ASSURANCE AND LIVESTOCK ETHICS 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 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 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 families 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 are 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 that 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 were 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 that 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 same are incorporated by reference herein.

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