

2023 STARK COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR

PYGMY GOAT RULES



Remember: You are responsible for your own entry!!

Entry Deadline is July 28th, 2023

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED

Fair Haul In: Goats may be brought to the Fairgrounds on Monday, August 28, 2023
and must be in place by 8 p.m.

Website: www.starkcountyjrfair4h.com

Committee Facebook Page: Stark County Jr. Fair Pygmy Goat Committee

JUNIOR FAIR GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Stark County Junior Fair operates under the authority of and in conjunction with the Stark County Senior Fair Board. The Junior Fair Board is a department of the Stark County Fair with its own objectives. These objectives in many instances, require rules or guidelines that differ significantly from those of other Stark County Fair Departments. Any boy or girl enrolled in a Stark County Youth organization is eligible to participate in the Stark County Junior Fair. They must abide by the rules and age limitations of said youth organization (4H, FFA, Grange, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, etc.)

1. To participate in 4H activities, youth must comply with the State 4H membership policy. 4H eligibility begins at age 5 (and in kindergarten as of January 1) and ends December 31 of the year in which they attain the age of 19.
2. Exhibitors in 4H classes must be enrolled in a 4H club in Stark County. Exhibits must be from 4H projects approved by the State or Local Extension office.
3. All members are encouraged to show in open class events.
4. Health rules for the livestock exhibits are the same as those governing all open class exhibits.
5. The board of directors of the Stark County Agricultural Society will, to the best of their ability, safeguard persons, livestock and articles on the grounds, but will not be responsible for injury, damage, disease, theft or loss of any kind.
6. Animals released due to illness or injury must have a signed release from the Vet, Junior Fair Coordinator and/or barn superintendent. Anyone who removes an animal without permission will be subject to 1 yr suspension.
7. Members must clean stalls or pens daily and keep the area neat and attractive. The committee reserves the right to withhold payment if any exhibitor does not keep his/her area clean and/or feed and water livestock.
8. Anyone assisting with showing another exhibitors animal must be enrolled as a current 4H or FFA or another youth organization member in Stark County.
9. All animals must remain on exhibit at the fair until 6:00 p.m. on Monday, the last day of the fair, EXCEPT market animals. Market animals are released at 4:00 p.m. No cleaning of pens until all animals are released from barn. Check species rules.
10. All animals sold remain the property of the member and in the member's care until fair release time, 4:00 p.m., Monday, the last day of the fair.
11. Animals sold are not eligible to be shown again by that exhibitor or any other 4H or FFA member in any Junior Show in the county or state or independent fair. All Grand and Reserve Grand Champion market animals are terminal.
12. Exhibitors are responsible for their own veterinary bill.
13. Veterinarians assigned to the fair for check-in will decide all matters of health, presence of disease and stall release.
14. Ribbons and suitable award will be provided by the Fair Board. It is the privilege of the Fair Board to prorate cash premiums if the budget is exceeded.
15. Eligible youth may be members of both 4H (clubs) and vocational agriculture (FFA) or of either group. In all cases, separate and different projects (also different animals and/or

products) must be carried in 4H and in vocational agriculture by a member belonging in both organizations. Examples of different and separate projects are sheep breeding, market lambs; pullets, broiler. The same or similar animals or products cannot be shown in both organizations even though they may be carried under different projects or programs, an animal or product may not be shown in more than one county in 4H or FFA classes.

16. Stark County youth programs and the Junior Fair Board will not condone the use of alcohol or drugs by any of its members, volunteers or anyone else associated with the Junior fair. The Junior Fair Coordinator, Junior Fair Board advisors, FFA advisors, Extension office and the Senior Fair Board will contact parents or legal authorities to handle individuals caught using or under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
17. In the event that a project animal dies after the designated possession date, members will not be permitted to replace the animal for the purpose of exhibition or sale in any Junior Fair event.
18. **ALL ENTRIES ARE DUE BY MIDNIGHT ON JULY 28TH.**
19. For all market animals that will be shown, grooming must be done by Stark County Junior Fair exhibitor or the exhibitors immediate family (reference Ohio Administrative Code: Chapter 901-19(P))["Family" means the immediate family of an exhibitor, including but not limited to the exhibitor's parent, step-parent, foster parent, grandparent, step-grandparent, foster grandparent, brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, half-brother, half-sister, son, daughter, step-son, step-daughter or guardian]. A current Stark County junior fair exhibitor may also assist. This includes all projects entered in the Stark County Jr. Fair show during the ***Stark County Fair August 29 to September 4, 2023***. Consequence of rule is no sale of animal.
20. No one is to handle a junior fair member's animal(s) without the permission of the junior fair exhibitor unless there is an emergency. Committee members may handle animals during the normal course of their duties (i.e., show, sale, weigh-in, pictures, loading, unloading).
21. Judges decisions are final in accordance with other published committee rules.
22. Any Medical/School excuses must be submitted in writing to Committee Chair and Junior Fair Coordinator.
23. **It is MANDATORY for ALL Junior Fair Exhibitors to attend a QUALITY ASSURANCE CLINIC (QA) TRAINING CLINIC by June 1 and complete a DRUG USE NOTIFICATION FORM (DUNF) for all market animals and lactating dairy animals prior to the fair. Any Junior Fair Exhibitor who does not attend a QUALITY ASSURANCE CLINIC (QA) will not be able to show at the fair or bring a carcass.**
24. **Exhibitors must complete a DRUG USE NOTIFICATION FORM (DUNF) prior to show. Those who do not comply WILL NOT be allowed to show. Mandated by the Ohio Department of Agriculture Ohio Revised Code 901-19-06 and 901-19-07. All members will be responsible for the care of their market animals until 4:00 p.m. the last day of the Stark County Fair, or until the drug withdrawal period elapses, or if quarantined.**

PYGMY GOAT RULES

Junior Fair exhibitors can exhibit goats as follows: (Please Note: Rule changes in RED)

- A **first-year** exhibitor can show up to two (2) pygmy goats,
 - A **second-year** exhibitor can show up to three (3) pygmy goats,
 - A **third-year and above** exhibitor can show up to four (4) pygmy goats (maximum)
1. Four (4) animals is the maximum number of animals any exhibitor can show, and these exhibitors must be in their third year (or later) in their goat breeding projects.
 2. ***Same age/same sex goats CAN now be shown in the same class. You MUST provide your own 4-H showman to show the other goat.**
 3. All goats must be tattooed, microchipped or scrapie tagged for ID purposes. Consult your veterinarian.
 4. No extra pens will be assigned for companion animals. If you cannot make use of the pen(s) that is assigned, you will be unable to bring any companion animals.
 5. **All pens must be cleaned out before September 15, 2023.** No pen cleaning during load out of animals on Monday, September 4, 2023. If your pen is not cleaned out by September 15th, you will be unable to show at the 2024 Fair.
 6. Bring your own hay, feed, water buckets, brushes, etc.
 7. Feed and water your animals daily.
 8. Maintain a clean pen area throughout the fair.
 9. You may display your name and club name if it is sturdily placed out of the reach of the animals.
 10. No BUCK goats allowed at the fair.
 11. No horns on any goat at the fair.
 12. All Pygmy's should be clean and have hooves trimmed.
 13. Judges' decisions are FINAL.

POSSESSION OF ANIMAL

Projects must be started before June 1, 2023. ****Except for a junior kid which must be started before July 1, 2023****

- An exhibitor must own his/her project on or before the above-mentioned deadlines.
- **NO LEASING OF PYGMY GOATS WILL BE PERMITTED.**
- All goats must be tattooed, microchipped or scrapie tagged for ID's and registered with the Junior Fair Office by July 28th, 2023.
- Only the animals which have been entered on the OFFICIAL STARK COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR ONLINE ENTRY FORM, may be shown.
- **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
- All goats must be healthy and free from disease.

- Animals must be dehorned.

SKILLATHON

It is a mandatory requirement for the Pygmy Goat Project that you complete the Pygmy Goat Project Judging for official completion of your project. Any project member that does not complete a Pygmy Interview and Book Review will be turned into the 4H Extension as having an incomplete project and not receive credit within their 4H Club. If you cannot attend the scheduled Project Judging for Pygmy Goats, you must call a committee member BEFORE the scheduled date to set up a make-up time.

HAUL-IN

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CLASSES

EXHIBIT CLASSES:

- Class P1** **Pygmy Doe Kid Classes** – Purebred or high-grade animal.
Senior Pygmy Doe Kids – must be under one year of age at show time.
Junior Pygmy Doe Kids – those born between April 1, 2023 to May 31, 2023.
- Class P2** **Yearling Pygmy Does** – Purebred or high-grade animal. It is recommended as a second-year continuation with the same animal if possible but is not mandatory. These does **must** be one year old or older and will include those who have freshened, and those who have not freshened. It is not mandatory that the Pygmy doe be milking.
- Class P3** **Pygmy Doe Class 2-Year-Old & Under 3 years** – Purebred or high-grade animal. It is recommended as a continuation project with the same animal if possible but is not mandatory. These does must be at least two years old, including those who have freshened or have not freshened. It is not mandatory that the Pygmy doe be milking.
- Class P4** **Pygmy Doe Class 3-Year-Old & Under 4 years** – Purebred or high-grade animal. It is recommended as a continuation project with the same animal if possible but is not mandatory. These does must be at least three years old, but no older than 4-years-old, including those who have freshened or have not freshened. It is not mandatory that the Pygmy doe be milking.
- Class P5** **Pygmy Doe Class 4-Year-Old & Older** – Purebred or high-grade animal. It is recommended as a continuation project with the same animal if possible but is not mandatory. These does must be at least four years old or older, including those who have freshened or have not freshened. It is not mandatory that the Pygmy doe be milking.

- Class P6** **Freshened Pygmy Doe** – Purebred or high-grade animal. Does can be any age BUT must have freshened in the current calendar year. Doe does not need to be in milk at show time.
- Class P7** **Pygmy Mother/Kid Class** – Purebred or high-grade animal. Does must be owned by the exhibitor at time of breeding. The Mother **must** be on the entry in regular class. The Mother may be any age. The kid **must** be under one year of age at show time. The kid may be either a doe or wether. Only **one** entry per Junior Fair exhibitor. **(Mother and kid must be on the entry form and entered in individual classes under the proper age class.)**
- Class P8** **Pygmy Wether Under One Year** – Purebred or high-grade animal. The male **must be castrated** and **under one year** of age at show time.
- Class P9** **Yearling Pygmy Wether** – Purebred or high-grade animal. The male **must be castrated** and **under two years** of age at show time. It is recommended as a continuation project with the same animal if possible.
- Class P10** **Senior Pygmy Wether** - Purebred or high-grade animal. The male **must be castrated** and **two to three years** of age at show time. It is recommended as a continuation project with the same animal if possible.
- Class P11** **Advanced Senior Pygmy Wether** - Purebred or high-grade animal. The male **must be castrated** and **four years of age or older** at show time. It is recommended as a continuation project with the same animal if possible.

SHOWMANSHIP (age as of January 1, current year)

Showmanship Change: The winners of each division are eligible for the Champion of Champion class until they become eligible for the next age division. They must win that division before they are eligible for the Champion of Champions class again. Winners can only win once in their age group, then they are eligible for Champion of Champions only until they reach the next age division.

- All members must show in Showmanship classes unless approved otherwise by committee.
- No Club Shirts
- Appropriate dress for Pygmy Showmanship is neat, clean attire.
- Members must show their own goats in Showmanship classes:

Seniors	Ages 16 and Up
Intermediate	Ages 13-15
Junior	Ages 9-12
First-Year Member	Up to 12-years old

LOAD-OUT

All goats must be on display for the entire fair. Release time will be 6 pm on Monday, September 4, 2023. **All displays must remain intact until 6 pm the last day of fair. NO PEN CLEANING UNTIL BARN IS EMPTY OF ANIMALS!**

****Individual help is available from any of the committee members****

2023 JUNIOR FAIR PYGMY GOAT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Kirstin	Cheyney	Canal Fulton	330.854.2496	Chairman
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2023 YOUTH PYGMY GOAT COMMITTEE MEMBER

Bailey Greene – Ashley Fether – Shelby Hay

****Exhibited Pygmy Goats must follow USDA Guidelines for the Scrapies Program. You will not be allowed on the Fairgrounds if you are NOT in compliance. ****

Important Dates – Mark Your Calendar!

Pygmy Goat Clinic

Saturday, July 8th in the Sheep & Swine Arena from 10am – 12pm

Pygmy Goat Skillathon/Book Judging

Saturday, August 19, 2023, in the Sheep & Swine Arena from Noon – 2pm.

Make-up Date for Skillathon/Book Judging

Thursday, August 24th in the Sheep & Swine Arena from 6pm-8pm

ONLINE ENTRY DEADLINE JULY 28, 2023 – Please use this as a guide for your ONLINE ENTRY
2023 STARK COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR PYGMY GOAT ENTRY FORM

NAME: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____ PHONE: _____

CLUB NAME: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: Online entry forms are due by **JULY 28th, 2023. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!** Stalls and pens will not be assigned without a completed entry form. Each family member must have a separate form. Please use this sample entry form as a GUIDE for your online entry!

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Wether or Doe	Date of Birth (Animal)	Registration #	Scrapie Tag, Chip, or Tattoo # Mandatory	Goat Class (See Rules)	# of Years in Goat Project	I will be showing in the Showmanship Class below:

TOTAL NUMBER OF PYGMY GOATS COMING TO FAIR: _____

A SCRAPIE TAG NUMBER, TATTOO, OR MICROCHIP IS MANDATORY FOR EACH PYGMY GOAT! IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ONE OF THESE FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION, YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO EXHIBIT AT THE FAIR! EXHIBITED PYGMY GOATS MUST BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE USDA GUIDELINES FOR THE SCRAPIE PROGRAM.