

Department 18F

Dairy Goats

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1. Animals must be in the owner's possession by May 31st of the current year.
2. Exhibitors participating in the Ionia County 4-H Goat program may not show goats through 4-H in any other county fair during the current year. Violators may not participate the following year in the Ionia Free Fair.
3. Each member may show six animals with only three of these animals having been purchased.
4. All goats shown must be tattooed or ear tagged. Please see Michigan Department of Agriculture Health Requirements for Livestock Exhibited in Michigan requirements in 4-H Division Livestock Rules.
5. A single goat may be shown in only one section (dairy, angora, pygmy or wether). Registered Dairy Goats must show in the breed class they are registered. Grade animals must show as the breed whose breed standard they meet. If they do not meet a breed standard they should be shown as "Any other dairy breed"
6. Goats must be in place by 7 PM on the first Saturday of the Fair and will be released at 12am(midnight) on the last Saturday following completion of the Fair.
7. Goats will be checked by the superintendent, beginning at 7 PM on the first Saturday of the Fair. Diseased animals will be sent home. If a disagreement arises over the health of an animal, a veterinarian will check the animal at the owner's expense.
8. All members must keep their exhibit area clean and neat. Members are responsible for the care of their own animals.
9. Cloverbud 4-H members (7 and 8 only) may exhibit in Cloverbud Showmanship but may not show or receive ribbons or premiums in any other goat class.
10. **All stalls must be cleaned prior to exhibitor leaving the fairgrounds.**
11. **Record Books are required. Completed record books must be turned into the 4-H office by 6 PM on the first Saturday of the Fair.**
12. No dairy goats with horns will be allowed at the Fair. No bucks allowed at the fair.

Ionia Free Fair is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged articles prior to, during or after the Fair.

Goat Showmanship

4733 Senior (15 & over)

4734 Intermediate (12-14)

4735 Junior (9-11)

Prizes: 1-8 place ribbons

Plaque: first place

4736. Cloverbud Showmanship (ages 7 & 8)

Must be registered in a 4-H club by May 1st to participate.

Dairy Goat Breeds

A-ALPINE B-LAMANCHA C-NUBIAN D-SAANEN E-TOGGENBURG F-ANY OTHER DAIRY BREED

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Milker under two years old	4740	4756	4770	4784	4798	4812
Milker, 2 years and under 3	4741	4757	4771	4785	4799	4813
Milker, 3 years and under 4	4742	4758	4772	4786	4800	4814
Milker, 4 Years and under 5	4743	4759	4773	4787	4801	4815
Milker, 5 years and older	4744	4760	4774	4788	4802	4816
Senior Champion	4745	4761	4775	4789	4803	4817
Reserve Senior Champion	4746	4762	4776	4790	4804	4818
Prizes: Rosettes						
Best Senior Doe in Show	4747					
Prizes: Plaque and Rosette						
Junior doe kid, born after April 1 of current year	4748	4763	4777	4791	4805	4819
Senior doe kid, born Jan 1 - March 31 of current year	4749	4764	4778	4792	4806	4820
Jr Dry Yearling, born between July 1 and Dec 31 last yr	4750	4765	4779	4793	4807	4821
Sr Dry Yearling, born Jan 1 - June 30 of last year	4751	4766	4780	4794	4808	4822
Junior Champion of Breed	4752	4767	4781	4795	4809	4823
Reserve Junior Champion of Breed	4753	4768	4782	4796	4810	4824
Prizes: Ribbons						
Best Junior Doe in Show	4754					
Prizes: Plaque and Rosette						
Breed Club Herd (4 does of this breed owned by 4 different members in the same club)						
Prize: Banner to be displayed in Goat Barn	4755	4769	4783	4797	4811	4825

Dairy Doe Contests

These classes are for dairy does of all breeds.

- 4826 Best Udder
- 4827 Mother - Daughter
- 4828 Produce of Doe (2 daughters from the same doe)
- 4829 Get of Sire(3 daughters from same buck)
- 4830 Breeder's Trio (Best 3 females bred by exhibitor)
- 4831 Best Herd (4 does owned by one person)

Prizes: Ribbons

Pygmy

- 4838 Doe kids (born after Jan 1 of current year)
- 4839 Yearling Doe (born between Jan 1 and Dec 31 last year)
- 4840 Two year old doe
- 4841 Mature Doe
- 4842 Grand Champion Pygmy Doe
- 4843 Reserve Champion Pygmy Doe

Prize: Rosette

Wethers

Dairy Breed Wethers

- 4844 Junior Wether Kid (born after April 1 this year)
- 4845 Senior Wether Kid (born Jan 1 - March 31 this year)
- 4846 Yearling Wether (born last year)
- 4847 Mature Wether, two years old and older

Pygmy Wethers

- 4848 Wether kid, under one year
- 4849 Wether, one year and under 2
- 4850 Wether, two years old and over

Pack Goats

- 4857 Pack Goat in training, under one year of age
- 4858 Yearling Pack Goat. Pack saddle and panniers required with 20lbs. of weight and pack extended to reach full width.
- 4859 Mature Pack Goat, 2 years and older. Required to carry 25 lbs.
- 4860 Champion Pack Goat
- 4861 Reserve Champion Pack Goat

Prizes: Rosettes

Driving Classes

Market Wethers are not eligible for driving classes. A single goat may enter one driving class only

- 4862 Kid driving, animals born during the current year, driving in their harnesses without a cart.
- 4863 Cart Driving, animals pulling a cart without a rider in the cart.
- 4864 Cart Driving, animals pulling a cart with a rider in the cart.

Trail Class

- 4865 Trail - lead your goat.

Fun Class

1. Milking contest is judged on the amount of milk the member can milk out of their goat within the time limit.
 2. Members who own milking dairy goats are required to use their own animal. Members who do not own a milking dairy goat may borrow one from another member.
- 4866 Goat Milking Contest - Jr (9-11)- 1 min time limit
 - 4867 Goat Milking Contest - Int (12-14)- 30 second time limit
 - 4868 Goat Milking Contest - Sr(15 & over) - 30 second time limit

4869 Junior Costume

4870 Senior Costume

Prizes: 1-8 place ribbons. No premiums.