

MINNESOTA STATE FAIR

Aug. 22-Sept. 2, 2024

Boer Goats

Superintendent..... Shelly Pitlick, Jordan, MN

Board Member, Vice President 5th District..... Sara Donaldson, Minneapolis, MN

Judge List:

Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goats: Chris Fleming, Paxton, IL
Bailey Bergherm, Terre Haute, IN
Open Wethers & Meat Does: Chris Fleming, Paxton, IL
Bailey Bergherm, Terre Haute, IN
Percentage Boer Goats: Chris Fleming, Paxton, IL
Bailey Bergherm, Terre Haute, IN
Youth Showmanship: Chris Fleming, Paxton, IL
Bailey Bergherm, Terre Haute, IN

Tentative Schedule

Monday, August 26

4 a.m.-1 p.m. Christensen Pavilion

Arrival on grounds

10 a.m. Christensen Pavilion (in pens)

Check-in and veterinary inspection

Tuesday, August 27

8 a.m. Compeer Arena

Percentage Boer Goats

Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goats

Commercial Boer Does

Open Wethers & Meat Does

Youth Showmanship

Two shows will run concurrently

Thursday, August 29

1 p.m. Christensen Pavilion

Release, specific times will be assigned

EXHIBITOR INFORMATION.

1. Minnesota State Fair Livestock Show ethics.

- A. The Minnesota State Fair has a responsibility for maintaining a first-class image of fairness and ethics in the show ring. We seek to promote good animal husbandry, attractive barn exhibits and a high quality show for exhibitors and spectators.
- B. Each exhibitor must consent and agree to abide by the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, as printed. All animals will be subject to examination by the judge and/or superintendent for any violations of the code of ethics.
- C. Exhibitors are expected to obey the official promptly in producing their stock when instructed to do so. Stock must be in the ring promptly after the class is called, and it will be taken for granted that any person failing to comply with this rule is not a competitor for the premiums offered.
 1. Exhibitors must show their animals at such times and places as directed, and furnish such information concerning their stock as may be required by the superintendent. In cases of refusal to obey this rule any or all premiums will be forfeited and the exhibitor barred from showing.
- D. No animal will be awarded a prize unless removed from its stall and exhibited, with catalog number attached, in the show ring.

1. Animals not exhibited when called out by the ring steward or superintendent, unless specially excused, will be charged \$50 per head for the use of stalls or be removed from the grounds, as the management may decide.
- E. Exhibitors must keep their stalls and pens open and stock uncovered from 8 a.m.–8 p.m. during each day of exhibition. Exhibitors using tie outs must have their stock back in the barns by 8 a.m. each morning.
 1. Exhibitors must keep the space in the rear of their stalls and pens clear and clean; all litter and manure must be placed where indicated by the department superintendent.
2. **IAFE (International Association of Fairs and Expositions) National Code of Show Ring Ethics.** Submission of entry indicates an agreement to abide by all conditions and rules listed below.
 - A. 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 Code of Show Ring Ethics”, fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels.
 1. 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 examples. 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 exhibition 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.
 - B. **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 violative drug residues. 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.
 - a. If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample 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 of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the 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 are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to 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.
 - b. At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications, for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian. *The Minnesota State Fair allows exceptions in breeding classes for sound management practices such as mastitis or pneumonia control.
 5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, conformation, 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 duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials 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 individual 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 disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of the 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 of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary actions 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 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.
3. **NALS&RMA Rule Infraction Database.** Barred or Disqualified Exhibitors: The Minnesota State Fair, in cooperation with the North American Livestock Show and Rodeo Managers Association (NALS&RMA), Rule Infraction Database (RID), reserves the right to refuse entry of any exhibitor who has been barred or disqualified from any other show on the basis of unethical practices referred to in the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE), National Code of Show Ring Ethics.
4. **ALL SPECIES. Livestock Health Regulations and Identification.** All animals will be inspected by the official veterinarian the opening day of the exhibition and daily during the exhibition. The official veterinarian will order the immediate removal to a quarantine facility, or from the exhibition premises, any animal showing clinical signs of any infectious, contagious or communicable disease, including ringworm and warts.
- A. Any animal showing evidence of any disease, abscesses, or any open contagious lesions will not be allowed to exhibit or show, and will be subject to isolation or expulsion depending on the nature and seriousness of the disease, abscess or lesion in question. If illness of any nature is suspected in any animal, said animal is subject to examination by the State Veterinarian and owner or exhibitor of said animal must abide by the decision of this veterinarian. Animals with warts or ringworm may not be shown. A statement from a veterinarian that an animal is being treated for these diseases is not acceptable. Animals known by the exhibitor to have an infectious, communicable disease or to have been exposed to an infectious, communicable disease, or to be from a quarantined flock may not be entered in an exhibition.
- B. **Identification.** The goal of these ID requirements is to uniquely identify animals so they can be traced to their source in a disease outbreak.
1. All cattle, swine, sheep and goats exhibited at the fair must have official identification (ID) that meets the requirements of both state and federal animal identification rules. The type of ID used in each species may vary, but each official ID is unique to that animal within the United States. For pictures of official ear tags and more information about official ID in livestock, visit the Board of Animal Health Official ID page at bah.state.mn.us/official-id/.
 2. There are no state or federal requirements at this time to officially identify camelid species or rabbits. Some members of the poultry group will need to be individually banded so they may be identified to their owner at the fair.

5. **Taxpayer identification.** Internal Revenue Service (IRS) regulations require the Minnesota State Fair to collect a TIN (Taxpayer Identification Number) from exhibitors. The Minnesota State Fair files information returns with the IRS; this information is used by the IRS for identification purposes, and for verification of the accuracy of tax returns. Exhibitors receiving premiums totaling \$600 or more will receive tax form 1099-MISC the following January.
- A. **For most, the TIN will be a social security number or EIN individual tax identification number.** Failure to furnish a TIN upon request may result in penalties. You will not be permitted to show if you do not supply this number.
1. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return.
 2. Each exhibitor must provide his/her own TIN.
 3. Premium checks will be made out to the name and address listed on the W-9 (W-8BEN or W-8ECI for foreign exhibitors).
- B. **Foreign exhibitors.** The Minnesota State Fair is required to withhold 30% of the gross payment to all foreign payees, including livestock and horse exhibitor premium payments. If a foreign person is the beneficial owner of the income they should complete a W-8BEN form. This form:
1. Establishes foreign status.
 2. Claims that the person is the beneficial owner of the income for which the form is being furnished or is a partner in a partnership subject to withholding and;
 3. If applicable, claims a reduced rate of or exemption from withholding under an income tax treaty.
 4. A completely filled out W-8BEN must include either line 6 or line 7. For an exemption under tax treaty benefits, they must fully complete lines 9 and 10 stating article of the treaty and an explanation of the reason the article applies. More information on tax treaties is available at www.irs.gov. Instructions and form W8-BEN. The form and instructions may be found at: taxmap.ntis.gov/taxmap/ts0/formsw8_o_1a444eca.html.
6. **Refunds.** Request for refunds may be made through Thursday, Aug. 8, 2024.
- A. **No refunds for entries canceled after Aug. 8, 2024, except in the event of contagious disease or injury.** Request for refund must be in writing, and must include a written doctor's or veterinarian's note.
- B. **No refunds \$10 and under will be issued.**
- C. Refunds are issued after all Minnesota State Fair department premium checks have been distributed.
7. **Fire safety and Electrical requirements.** The State Fair is working with the State Fire Marshal and the fair's own life safety staff to ensure an incident free exposition. Your expected cooperation in complying with these requirements is appreciated. They will be enforced on a 24-hour basis; please plan accordingly. The following rules are in place to help keep safe power supplies operable in the barns. The Minnesota State Fair reserves the right to order excess electrical equipment removed if necessary to protect power supplies, stock and exhibitors.
- A. **Smoking.**
1. Smoking is NOT permitted in the barn at any time.
 - a. For the comfort and safety of all, designated smoking areas have been established at specified locations throughout the fairgrounds. Smoking (including use of electronic cigarettes) is now permitted only in these areas.
- B. **Prohibited.**
1. **Open flames are strictly prohibited.**
 2. Ignition sources such as frying pans, coffee pots, hot plates, toasters, toaster ovens and warming trays are prohibited.
 3. Fuel powered generators and fuel containers are prohibited in the barn and in the livestock parking areas.
 4. Extra lighting in exhibit areas will not be allowed.
- C. Decorative material must be rendered and maintained flame retardant in accordance with the state fire code; documentation is required.
- D. **Electrical equipment.** All electrical equipment (fans, blowers, extension cords, etc.) is subject to electrical inspection and subject to removal if unsafe and/or does not meet electrical codes.
- E. **Fans.** Any fans used must be suspended at the front of cattle. For purposes of electric conservation and safety, it is asked that fans be kept to a minimum and used only for heat stress prevention.
- F. **Extension cords.** All extension cords must be at least 12 gauge or larger Type G, PPE, S, SE, SEO, SEOO, SC, SCE, SCT, SO, SOO, ST, STO, STOO, W or other types identified for extra-hard usage and must be of the grounding type.
1. Extension cords must also be three-wire flexible.

2. No lightweight (2 wire) extension cords or “zip” cords (18 gauge or smaller) may be used anywhere on the State Fairgrounds.
 - a. Octopus plugs and two-wire extension cords often create a fire hazard and will be removed if found in use during an event.
 - b. Cables with a “J” in the type designation (Such as Type SJT) are not permitted.
- G. **Doors to the Cattle Barn electrical box rooms must be kept clear at all times.**
- H. **Blocking exits, walkways, extinguishers, electrical panels, or other required safety devices is prohibited.**
8. **Dormitories.** In compliance with Minnesota Department of Health licensing regulations, the number of beds available for open class exhibitors in the dorms is limited. Exhibitors may purchase space to camp in the livestock lots (see Livestock exhibitors overnight parking below).
9. **Vehicles and parking.**
 - A. **Livestock exhibitor parking, overnight.**
 1. **Limited space; filled by computer generated lottery.**
 2. Complete information available online mnstatefair.org.
 - B. **Livestock exhibitor parking, daily.** Ordered with livestock entries.
 1. Allocated on a first come, first served basis. Valid only for dates showing (based on entries).
 2. Limit of two per exhibitor.
 3. License number(s) MUST be included with order
 - C. **Trucks and trailers.** Parked across Como Ave. in Stella lot and Block 55.
 - D. **Vehicle inspection.** For security and safety concerns, vehicles entering the Minnesota State Fairgrounds beginning Monday Aug. 5, 2024 and through the run of the fair, will be subject to inspection.
 1. Vehicle entry restricted to either Gate 1 (north Underwood St.) or Gate 14 (Canfield St.).
10. **Admission fees.** Entry into the Minnesota State Fair shall be solely contingent upon presentation and surrender of a valid ticket of admission in accordance with the schedule of gate admission prices at mnstatefair.org.
 - A. **Pre-fair livestock and horse exhibitor discount admission tickets.** Livestock exhibitors may purchase gate admission tickets at a discounted rate. Information on purchasing is included as a link in the confirmation email received after registering online. Limit 12 tickets per order. Available delivery methods include Print-At-Home or Regular Mail. From Aug. 8-21, 2024, sales are for Print-At-Home or mobile ticket delivery only.
 - B. When leaving the fairgrounds, exhibitors and fair visitors may ask for a re-admittance privilege, which allows reentry onto the fairgrounds at Gate 14 on the same day without paying another admission.

OPEN CLASS BOER GOAT RULES.

1. **ABGA sanctioned show.** As this show is a sanctioned ABGA show, it is highly recommended that all exhibitors review the Sanctioned Show Rules of the American Boer Goat Association found at the web site abga.org under Competition.
2. **Entries.** Regardless of entry closing date, no entries will be accepted beyond the capacity to house them.
 - A. **Mail-in.** Closes Monday, July 29, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. (received)
 - B. **Online.** Closes Wednesday, July 31, 2024 at 4:30 p.m.
 - C. **Submission of entries indicates agreement to abide by all rules and conditions listed in** The International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) National Code of Show Ring Ethics, and the North American Livestock Show and Rodeo Managers Association (NALS&RMA) Rules Infraction Database.
3. **Late arrivals and early releases.**
 - A. Will be permitted if traveling from or to another State Fair. Arrangements made through department superintendent.
 - B. Animals may leave Wednesday night after the All-Breed Swine Auction is completed, Como Ave. is clear of traffic and Minnesota State Fair safety officials have given the go-ahead to load out. Exact time will be determined that evening. Must acquire release credential from department superintendent. Animals will also be released Thursday afternoon during the regular load-out.
4. **Fees.** Entitles animal to compete in any individual and group class to which it is eligible. Must accompany entry.
 - A. **Entry fee. \$10 per animal (\$5.00 per show).** Entitles animal to compete in any individual and group class to which it is eligible. Must enter both shows.

- B. **Returned check fee.** Any check returned for nonsufficient funds (NSF), closed account, or stopped payment, will be assessed a \$30 service fee.
5. **Forage.**
- A. Forage and bedding may be brought in for your livestock only.
1. Only exhibitors will be permitted to deliver feed and bedding.
 2. **Forage Department.** All forage must be paid for when ordered.
6. **Ownership and exhibitors.** Animals must be the bona fide property of and owned outright by the exhibitor.
- A. Goats must be owned by the exhibitor at least 30 days prior to the show date.
- B. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to refrain from presenting any animal owned by the presiding judge within 90 days prior to the show date.
- C. An exhibitor (family, firm, partnership or breeding establishment) may enter no more than two animals, in any one division in any one individual class.
- D. In classes for groups, only one entry in any division will be permitted from each exhibitor.
- E. Exhibitor is limited to showing 20 head.
1. No more than five of the 20 head may be entered in the open wether and meat doe division.
 2. No animals other than those entered will be permitted in the barn (unless newborn young).
- F. Animals shown in groups must be entered and shown in the regular individual classes.
1. Exhibitor must indicate on entry form all the classes in which they plan to show.
 - a. Individuals comprising groups need not be named at the time of making entry. For pair and group classes, goats must be from same exhibitor/family.
7. **Animal eligibility.**
- A. **Eligibility of animals.**
1. **Registration requirements (Divisions 94 and 95).**
 - a. All goats must be registered in the American Boer Goat Association (ABGA) herd book by show day.
 - b. All goats entered into ABGA sanctioned shows must be registered with the ABGA in order to acquire Ennoblement points.
 - c. Original registration certificates are required, except that a copy of a registration application, stamped with the date received by ABGA, can be accepted for kids less than 3 months of age. Animals over the age of 3 months must be verified as registered in the ABGA database at time of show.
 - d. An animal that may be verified as registered in the web-based database of ABGA will be accepted in lieu of registration certificate. Verification must be provided by the exhibitor in either digital or print to the show secretary.
 - e. All goats must be appropriately identified and comply with USDA Scrapie Eradication Program Guidelines.
 - f. Goats registered in a frozen or suspended account are ineligible to exhibit in ABGA sanctioned shows.
 2. **Tattoos (Divisions 94 and 95).**
 - a. All goats must have legible tattoos consistent with the registration certificate or the animal will be disqualified. If an animal is disqualified due to illegible or inconsistent tattoos, all lower placing animals will be moved up in placement. Point winners from each class must have their tattoos read and recorded. The show secretary will be responsible for recording the tattoos and informing the judge as to which point-eligible goats will need to be checked. Permanently implanted microchip identification will be accepted by ABGA as official identification in addition to, or in lieu of, tattoos. The owner is responsible for providing the appropriate scanning device to read any microchip used for identification purposes.
 - b. No tattooing allowed after unloading animals.
 3. **All divisions.** All goats must meet state and federal official permanent identification requirements.
- B. **Computing ages.** Birth dates as listed on the registration certificate will be used to determine class divisions.
1. The show date will be the base date in computing all ages. Count back from the show date to the animal birth date to determine the age and class of the animal.
- C. **Disqualifications.** Any goat exhibited at an ABGA show shall be subject to disqualification for any of the following:
1. Any pronounced defect or abnormality.

2. Tattoos/microchip numbers that are illegible or inconsistent with the registration certificate.
3. Any animal found not to be in accordance with ABGA Rule 1400.L. Acceptable Practices and Substances.
 - a. Should any animal that has been awarded a prize be disqualified before the class has been dismissed from the show ring, the lower placing animals shall move up to fill the vacancy.
 - b. Should any animal be disqualified after the class has been dismissed from the show ring, the lower placing animals will NOT move into any higher position.
8. **Heath regulations.** All animals will be inspected by the official veterinarian the opening day of the exhibition and daily during the exhibition. The official veterinarian will order the immediate removal to a quarantine facility or removal from the exhibition premises of any animal showing clinical signs of any infectious, contagious or communicable disease, including ringworm and warts.
 - A. Any animal showing evidence of any disease, abscesses, or any open contagious lesions will not be allowed to exhibit or show and will be subject to isolation or expulsion at the discretion of the official veterinarian.
 1. **Suspected illness.** If illness of any nature is suspected in any animal, the animal is subject to examination by the official veterinarian and owner or exhibitor of the animal must abide by the decision of the official veterinarian.
 2. **Infectious, contagious or communicable disease.** Animals known by the exhibitor to have an infectious, contagious or communicable disease, or to have been exposed to an infectious, contagious or communicable disease, or known to originate from a quarantined flock or herd may not be entered in exhibition.
 3. **Animals with warts or ringworm may not be shown** A statement from a veterinarian that an animal is being treated for these diseases will not be accepted.
 - B. Goats with warts, ringworm, sore mouth, or caseous lymphadenitis, may not be shown.
 - C. Goats within 30 days of giving birth (before or after) cannot be exhibited without prior written approval from the Minnesota Board of Animal Health.
 - D. **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI).**
 1. **Goats from Minnesota.** Not required.
 2. **Goats from outside Minnesota.** Required. CVI is valid for 30 days from the date the animals were inspected by an accredited veterinarian.
 - a. Must list the Minnesota State Fair as consignee and will be accepted upon examination of the CVI.
 - b. Must meet the Minnesota Importation requirements. See bah.state.mn.us/imports/, or call the Minnesota Board of Animal Health at 651-296-2942.
 - c. Must meet the importation requirements of their state of origin if they are returning.
9. **Sheep and Goat Identification (ID).** The goal of these ID requirements is to uniquely identify animals so they may be traced to their source in the event of a disease outbreak. Official identification may not be removed from an animal once it is applied.
 - A. **Official identification.** Individuals must be officially identified; the following types are considered official. Must meet the requirements of both state and federal animal identification rules. For pictures of official ear tags and more information about official ID livestock, visit the Minnesota Board of Animal Health Official ID page at bah.state.mn.us/official-id/.
 1. **Flock or herd identification (ID) tags.** Includes herd ID number beginning with state abbreviation (maximum nine characters, including state abbreviation, in addition to a unique herd management number (six character maximum). Must display the U.S. shield.
 - a. Available in plastic or metal.
 2. **Serial tags.** Begin with state abbreviation, eight characters total, last 4-5 are digits. Must display the U.S. shield. May only be applied by accredited veterinarians.
 - a. Available in plastic or metal. As of October 2018, metal tags are orange in color.
 3. **USDA Animal Identification Number (AIN) visual (840) tags or Radio Frequency Identification Device (RFID).** 15 digit number, beginning with 840. Must display the U.S. shield. May be purchased from most ear tag distributors.
 4. **State-approved tattoos, registered sheep/goats.** Tattoo must be legible.
 - a. Breed registry tattoos that are recorded with a breed registration; pending registrations are not accepted.
 - b. Upon movement, animal must be accompanied by a copy of the registration certificate or a CVI listing tattoo and registration numbers.

10. **Substitution.** Substitution within a class is permitted. Competition department must be notified of the substitution at time of check-in.
11. **Showing and stalling.**
 - A. **Showing.** All exhibitors must be neatly and properly dressed while in the show ring.
 1. All goats must be shown with a collar or halter used only by the exhibitor to control the animal. Only brief touches by exhibitor's hand/body are allowed.
 2. Muzzling of animals is prohibited.
 3. No animal bracing allowed for Divisions 94 and 95.
 4. Large bucks may have a handler and set up person while showing for safety.
 5. No progeny of fresh does will be allowed in the ring.
 - B. **Stalling.** Boer goats are housed in the Christensen Pavilion.
 1. No more than one tack stall assigned per exhibitor; exhibitor must enter a minimum of three goats to receive a tack stall.
 2. Exhibitors should provide own bedding and feed, or may purchase from the Minnesota State Fair Forage Department.
12. **Signs and advertising.** No signs of any type will be permitted in the barns, except within the specified assigned stalls. Failure to comply will result in forfeiture of premiums.
13. **Awards.** The Minnesota State Fair will present the following awards.
 - A. **Premier exhibitor.** To the exhibitor receiving the most points in the individual classes of the percentage and fullblood divisions of both shows combined. Points awarded in classes where four or more goats are shown.
 1. **Scoring system, premier awards.** 1st place 8 points; 2nd place 7 points; 3rd place 6 points; 4th place 5 points; 5th place 4 points; 6th place 3 points; 7th place 2 points; 8th place 1 point.
 - a. If division champion or reserve champion receive no points because there were three or fewer goats entered in their individual class, the division champion will be awarded 8 points and the reserve champion will be awarded 7 points.
14. **Premiums.** Premium checks will be issued and sent to the name and address provided on the W-9 form.
 - A. No more than two cash prizes in an individual class.
 - B. No more than one cash prize in a group class.
 - C. Premium money will be withheld in all instances where animals are removed from the grounds prior to the official time of release, unless granted written permission by the Competition Department.

Division 94: Percentage Boer Goats

Rules

1. In addition to division rules, exhibitors and exhibits are bound by the overall Open Boer Goat Department Rules.
2. **Registry requirements.** Percentage does must be 25% to less than 93.75%.
3. For pair and group classes, goats must be from the same exhibitor/family.

Premiums for Percentage Boer Goats

Individuals - 1-4 animals showing

\$15 \$12 \$8 \$4

Individuals - 5-8 animals showing

\$18 \$15 \$12 \$8 \$8 \$6 \$6

Individuals - 9-15 animals showing

\$20 \$15 \$12 \$10 \$8 \$6 \$6 \$5 \$5 \$4 \$4

Individuals - 16 or more animals showing

\$24 \$22 \$20 \$15 \$15 \$12 \$12 \$10 \$10 \$8 \$8 \$6 \$6 \$4 \$4 \$0

Grand & Reserve Champions in each division

\$25 \$15

Groups - 5 or fewer groups showing

\$15 \$10 \$8 \$5

Groups - 6 or more groups showing

\$20 \$15 \$10 \$8 \$5 \$4 \$0

Class Listing for Percentage Boer Goats

Does

- 1 Percentage Boer Goat Doe Kid, 0-3 months
 - 2 Percentage Boer Goat Doe Kid, 3-6 months
 - 3 Percentage Boer Goat Doe Kid, 6-9 months
 - 4 Percentage Boer Goat Doe Kid, 9-12 months
 - 5 Percentage Boer Goat Junior Champion & Reserve Doeling
 - 6 Percentage Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 12-16 months
 - 7 Percentage Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 16-20 months
 - 8 Percentage Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 20-24 months
 - 9 Percentage Boer Goat Yearling Champion & Reserve Doe
 - 10 Percentage Boer Goat Two Year Old Doe, 24-36 months
 - 11 Percentage Boer Goat Aged Senior Doe, 36 months & older
 - 12 Percentage Boer Goat Senior Champion & Reserve Doe
 - 13 Percentage Boer Goat Grand Champion & Reserve Doe
 - 14 Percentage Boer Goat Minnesota Bred & Owned Doe
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Groups

- 15 Percentage Boer Goat Pair of Percentage Doe Kids, 0-12 months
- 16 Percentage Boer Goat Pair of Percentage Aged Does, 12 months & older

Division 95: Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goats

Rules

1. In addition to division rules, exhibitors and exhibits are bound by the overall Open Boer Goat Department Rules.
2. **Registry requirements.**
 - A. **Fullblood/purebred does.** 93.75% and higher.
 - B. **Fullblood/purebred bucks.** 96.875% and higher.
3. For pair and group classes, goats must be from the same exhibitor/family.

Premiums for Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goats

Individuals - 1-4 animals showing
\$15 \$12 \$8 \$4

Individuals - 5-8 animals showing
\$18 \$15 \$12 \$8 \$8 \$6 \$6

Individuals - 9-15 animals showing
\$20 \$15 \$12 \$10 \$8 \$6 \$6 \$5 \$5 \$4 \$4

Individuals - 16 or more animals showing
\$24 \$22 \$20 \$15 \$15 \$12 \$12 \$10 \$10 \$8 \$8 \$6 \$6 \$4 \$4 \$0

Grand & Reserve Champions in each division
\$25 \$15

Groups - 5 or fewer groups showing
\$15 \$10 \$8 \$5

Groups - 6 or more groups showing
\$20 \$15 \$10 \$8 \$5 \$4 \$0

Class Listing for Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goats

Does

- 1 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Doe Kid, 0-3 months
- 2 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Doe Kid, 3-6 months
- 3 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Doe Kid, 6-9 months
- 4 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Doe Kid, 9-12 months
- 5 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Junior Champion & Reserve Doeling
- 6 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 12-16 months
- 7 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 16-20 months
- 8 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 20-24 months
- 9 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Champion & Reserve Doe
- 10 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Two Year Old Doe, 24-36 months
- 11 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Aged Senior Doe, 36 months & older
- 12 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Senior Champion & Reserve Doe
- 13 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Grand Champion & Reserve Doe
- 14 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Minnesota Bred & Owned Doe

Bucks

- 15 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Buck Kid, 0-3 months
- 16 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Buck Kid, 3-6 months
- 17 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Buck Kid, 6-9 months
- 18 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Buck Kid, 9-12 months
- 19 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Junior Champion & Reserve Buck

- 20 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Buck, 12-16 months
 - 21 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Buck, 16-20 months
 - 22 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Buck, 20-24 months
 - 23 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Yearling Champion & Reserve Buck
 - 24 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Senior Buck, 24-36 months
 - 25 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Senior Buck, 36 months & older
 - 26 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Senior Champion & Reserve Buck
 - 27 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Grand Champion & Reserve Buck
 - 28 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Minnesota Bred & Owned Buck
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Groups

- 29 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Pair of Fullblood Doe Kids, 0-12 months
 - 30 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Pair of Fullblood Aged Does, 12 months & older
 - 31 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Pair of Fullblood Buck Kids, 0-12 months
 - 32 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Pair of Fullblood Aged Bucks, 12 months & older
 - 33 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Trio
One buck, two does.
 - 34 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Produce of Dam
Three animals, any combination.
 - 35 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Get of Sire
Three animals, any combination.
 - 36 Fullblood/Purebred Boer Goat Exhibitors Tribe
Any five goats, must be from same exhibitor/family
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Premier

- 37 Open Boer Goat Premier Exhibitor

Division 96: Open Wethers & Meat Does

Rules

1. In addition to division rules, exhibitors and exhibits are bound by the overall Open Boer Goat Department Rules.
2. No more than five wethers or meat does per exhibitor.
3. All market wethers and meat does must have their milk teeth; no adult teeth allowed.
4. All market wethers and meat does will be weighed during check in.
 - A. Classes determined by weight; announced prior to show.
 - B. Each class winner and second place in each class will return to the ring to determine champion and reserve champion.

Premiums for Open Wethers & Meat Does

Individuals - 1-4 animals showing

\$15 \$12 \$8 \$4

Individuals - 5-8 animals showing

\$18 \$15 \$12 \$8 \$8 \$6 \$6

Individuals - 9-15 animals showing

\$20 \$15 \$12 \$10 \$8 \$6 \$6 \$5 \$5 \$4 \$4

Individuals - 16 or more animals showing

\$24 \$22 \$20 \$15 \$15 \$12 \$12 \$10 \$10 \$8 \$8 \$6 \$6 \$4 \$4 \$0

Grand & Reserve Champions in each division

\$25 \$15

Groups - 5 or fewer groups showing

\$15 \$10 \$8 \$5

Groups - 6 or more groups showing

\$20 \$15 \$10 \$8 \$5 \$4 \$0

Class Listing for Open Wethers & Meat Does

Wethers and Meat Does

- 1 Individual, Open Wether
- 2 Individual, Open Meat Doe
- 13 Grand Champion & Reserve Meat Goat

Groups

- 14 Pair of Market Goats, Wethers or Does
Either two wethers or two meat does.

Division 97: Commercial Boer Does

Rules

1. In addition to division rules, exhibitors and exhibits are bound by the overall Open Boer Goat Department Rules.
2. For pair and group classes, goats must be from the same exhibitor/family.

Premiums for Commercial Boer Does

Individuals - 1-4 animals showing

\$15 \$12 \$8 \$4

Individuals - 5-8 animals showing

\$18 \$15 \$12 \$8 \$8 \$6 \$6

Individuals - 9-15 animals showing

\$20 \$15 \$12 \$10 \$8 \$6 \$6 \$5 \$5 \$4 \$4

Individuals - 16 or more animals showing

\$24 \$22 \$20 \$15 \$15 \$12 \$12 \$10 \$10 \$8 \$8 \$6 \$6 \$4 \$4 \$0

Grand & Reserve Champions in each division

\$25 \$15

Groups - 5 or fewer groups showing

\$15 \$10 \$8 \$5

Groups - 6 or more groups showing

\$20 \$15 \$10 \$8 \$5 \$4 \$0

Class Listing for Commercial Boer Does

Does

- 1 Commercial Boer Goat Doeling, 0-3 months
- 2 Commercial Boer Goat Doeling, 3-6 months
- 3 Commercial Boer Goat Doeling, 6-9 months
- 4 Commercial Boer Goat Doeling, 9-12 months
- 5 Commercial Boer Goat Junior Champion & Reserve Doeling
- 6 Commercial Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 12-16 months
- 7 Commercial Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 16-20 months
- 8 Commercial Boer Goat Yearling Doe, 20-24 months
- 9 Commercial Boer Goat Yearling Champion & Reserve Doe
- 10 Commercial Boer Goat Two Year Old Doe, 24-36 months
- 11 Commercial Boer Goat Aged Senior Doe, 36 months & older
- 12 Commercial Boer Goat Senior Champion & Reserve Doe
- 13 Commercial Boer Goat Grand Champion & Reserve Doe

Groups

- 14 Commercial Boer Goat Pair of Commercial Doe Kids, 0-12 months
- 15 Commercial Boer Goat Pair of Commercial Aged Does, 12 months & older

Division 98: Youth Showmanship

Rules

1. In addition to division rules, exhibitors and exhibits are bound by the overall Open Boer Goat Department Rules.
2. **Any animal may be used.** No entry fee required.
3. **The maximum exhibitor age is 18 years as of January 1 of the current year.** Age divisions for showmanship will be determined based on contestant's age as of date of show.

Class Listing for Youth Showmanship

- 1 Junior Youth Showmanship, ages 4-8
- 2 Intermediate Youth Showmanship, ages 9-13
- 3 Senior Youth Showmanship, ages 14-18



Biosecurity Recommendations for Exhibitors

At the Fair:

Remember to:

- Report health concerns to the official veterinarian.
- Not share equipment with other exhibitors.
- Minimize nose-to-nose contact with other livestock.
- Minimize animal-to-human contact.
- Avoid use of communal water sources.
- Minimize animal stress by keeping them cool and comfortable, and providing food and water from home.
- If you're also caring for animals at home while exhibiting at the fair:
 - Do the chores at home first.
 - Change clothes to care for the animals at home and at the fair.
- Wash your hands with soap and water and dry them well.

Before Returning Home:

- Clean and disinfect all equipment (tack, buckets, shovels, wheelbarrows).
- Properly dispose of unused bedding, hay, and feed.
- Wash your hands with soap and water and dry them well.

At Home:

- Shower, blow your nose, and put on clean clothes and shoes.
- Clean and disinfect vehicles and trailers used to transport animals home from the fair.
- Keep returning livestock separate from other animals for up to four weeks.
 - Feed and work with returning animals last.
 - Wear different clothes and boots when working with returning animals.
- Wash your hands with soap and water and dry them well.