

Colorado State Fair and Industrial Exposition

2026 Market Goats

- Division 1
- Entry Fees: \$20 per entry
- Department 935

Entries Close: Monday, July 27th

Arrival of Goats: Friday, August 28th from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Exhibitors Meeting Saturday, August 29th @ 8:45 a.m.

Inspection & Tagging: Saturday, August 29th @ 9:00 a.m.

Weight Declarations: Saturday, August 29th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.

Showmanship: Saturday, August 29th @ 5:00 p.m.

Show: Sunday, August 30th @ 9:00 a.m.

Begin Release: Sunday, August 30th following Grand Drive

Load out of Buyback Goats TBD

All non-sale Goats must be out of the barn Sunday, August 30th @ 9:00 p.m.

- **Limited To Four (4) Goats Per Exhibitor**
- **All Market Goats Must Submit DNA Samples Within the Required Time Limits**

Competition Requirements

1. All entrants must have read and be familiar with the General Competition Requirements, Livestock and Small Animal Competition Requirements, Junior Livestock Sale Participation Requirements, IAFE National Show Ring Code of Ethics, Animal Welfare

Policy, and Livestock Health Requirements. Exhibitors must comply with the Wholesome Meat provisions and the Colorado State Fair Exhibitor Code of Conduct. Exhibitors are encouraged to read and be fully informed of the contents of the Drug Residue Avoidance Guidelines.

2. All exhibitors in Open, Junior Breeding, and Market shows must submit a premises identification (PID) number at the time of entry. PID may be obtained by contacting the Colorado Department of Agriculture at 303-869-9130 or click on the following link: <https://ag.colorado.gov/animals/colorado-location-identification-lid-registration-premises>
3. Bedding: Exhibitors are responsible for their own livestock bedding. Entry into competition at the Colorado State Fair and Industrial Exposition ("State Fair") does not include bedding.

Exhibitors may pre-order bedding and shavings through the official bedding vendor or bedding and shavings will be available to purchase on-grounds from said vendor upon arrival. The phone number and order portal will be posted on the Fair's website.

Straw may only be used for Breeding Sheep, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, and for Open Breeding Cattle tie-outs. All other uses of straw are prohibited.

Outside bedding for livestock exhibitors is permitted.

4. Females (does) or wethers are eligible to be shown in the Market Goat Show. All Market Goats are required to have the proper scrapie identification. There is a minimum weight limit of 55 lbs. and a maximum weight limit of 115 lbs. for goats.
5. Market Goats can use only rubber mats, netting, or shavings for bedding, no straw, kitty litter, or other absorbent. Exhibitors will be required to fit on the South end of the Goat Barn and, therefore, will be allowed to bring pop-up canopies with no sides to shade their fitting stands and chairs.
6. Due to limited space, no tack pens will be available. All items, e.g., feed, show boxes, trimming stands, are to be placed in areas designated by the Superintendents. Any of these items placed in pens may be removed without warning. Do not take pens apart; leave them as assembled. Exhibitors may bring plywood for the top of their pens for storage.

7. Goats must be sheared in designated areas only. Goats must be slick-shorn and of uniform length from the knee and hock up before inspection. No shearing will be allowed after processing. Only cordless clippers may be used for touch-ups after inspection.
8. Any violation of the General Livestock Competition Requirements or Junior Livestock Competition Requirements regarding fitting of livestock may result in disciplinary action.
9. Adhesive may only be used on goat legs for show. No painting or coloring agent may be used to alter the natural color of any market goat. No foreign matter or added hair or artificial hair will be allowed on any entry. Exhibitors in violation will not be permitted to show. Any adhesive or powder used on goats should be removed immediately after the show. Application of any substance per rectum or topically to change the natural position of the tail is prohibited.
10. All goats must have horns tipped blunt; no sharp points allowed.
11. Market Goats may be shown with collars (including cleated collars) or halters. Market Goat exhibitors may use meshed or plastic muzzles at the fair. The muzzle style must allow the goat to drink water.
12. Entry Numbers: Each entry will be assigned a number, which will be provided to all exhibitors. The exhibitor must display these numbers when the animal is in the show ring.
13. A water container with water must be visible and available for watering regularly in each penned/stalled area at all times. No feeding or watering of livestock in show rings, holding pens, or to and from re-weigh stations will be permitted. At its discretion, the State Fair officials reserve the right to contact a State Fair veterinarian to determine if water should be given. Drenching for hydration purposes will be allowed for Market Goats at the State Fair. No stomach-pumping devices will be allowed. Injection, drenching, or application of any substance (including any caustic substance) per rectum is prohibited. Further, the application of any substance to or near the tail or anus is not permitted.
14. No iced or wet towels are allowed in the holding area. No family members will be permitted to hold or stage any lamb-holding pens at any time. No exceptions.
15. There will be no official weigh-in of Market Goats. Scales will be available for the exhibitors' use until the deadline for turning in the weight nomination form. The exhibitor

must obtain an official weight nomination form when the animal is inspected. The official weight nomination form must be submitted to the Livestock Office no later than the deadline. The weight(s) indicated on the weight nomination form will be the official show weight. There will be no weight changes after the weight nomination form has been turned in.

16. Classes will be separated by weight. In all Market Goat classes, the front feet of the goat must remain on the show ring floor while being shown. Judges and Superintendents are authorized to disqualify an exhibitor.
17. After each class of Market Goats has been placed, show officials will weigh the top five animals on the official scale. Market Goats cannot deviate more than 5% above or below the declared show weight previously designated by the exhibitor on the weight card. If any Market Goat is weighed out, it will be disqualified, and the remaining animals will be moved up in placing. The disqualified goat is not eligible for any other class and will not be reweighed.
18. Each weight division's Champion and Reserve Champion will compete for the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion. The Champion and Reserve Champion in each weight division (lightweight, medium weight, and heavyweight) and the remaining 1st and 2nd place goats (not to exceed 38 goats) will sell in the Colorado State Fair Junior Livestock Sale. Those exhibitors with two or more sale-qualified animals will only be eligible to sell (1) one animal.
19. Once the sale goats have been determined, those animals will be moved to a showcase area designated by the Livestock Superintendents. All equipment, except for those items needed to feed and water animals and clean stalls, shall be removed from the barn. The Authority will provide each exhibitor with shavings for use in the new stalling area.
20. This is a terminal show for the Junior Market Goats selected for the Junior Livestock Sale. Animals not chosen for the Junior Livestock Sale will be released to the exhibitor after the final sale order is posted. A buyback consignment is offered through the Authority. Market Goat exhibitors are encouraged to utilize sound biosecurity practices upon departure from the fairgrounds; recommended biosecurity procedures are available in the Livestock Office.

Premium Schedule

Junior Market Goat Class No. Use the below class number only.

Premium A

3301. Market Goats (weight classes will be broken by officials after weigh-in)

Rosettes to Champion and Reserve Champion in each weight division.

No. of Entries (per Class)	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
8-9	\$23	\$18	\$15	\$12	\$9	\$6	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
10-11	\$26	\$21	\$18	\$15	\$12	\$9	\$7	\$0	\$0	\$0
12-14	\$30	\$24	\$21	\$18	\$15	\$12	\$9	\$7	\$5	\$0
15-19	\$32	\$26	\$23	\$20	\$17	\$14	\$11	\$9	\$7	\$7
20 or more	\$34	\$28	\$25	\$22	\$19	\$16	\$13	\$11	\$9	\$9

Grand Champion Junior Market Goat

Grand Champion Drive: Sunday, August 30th – half an hour after the show.

Champion and Reserve Champion of each weight division will compete.

3398. Grand Champion Market Goat

- Buckle by Blue Ribbon Processing
- Trophy by Colorado State Fair Authority
- Traveling trophy by CSU Animal Sciences Department
- Banner by Colorado State Fair Authority

3399. Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat

- Buckle by Blue Ribbon Processing
- Trophy by Colorado State Fair Authority
- Banner by Colorado State Fair Authority

3400. Third Overall Market Goat

- Banner by Sure Champ / DuraFerm

3401. Fourth Overall Market Goat

- Banner by Sure Champ / DuraFerm

3402. Fifth Overall Market Goat

- Banner by Sure Champ / DuraFerm

Junior Market Goat Showmanship

Show: Saturday, August 29th at 5:00 P.M.

- No Fee
- Division 25
- Department 935

Competition Requirements

1. It will be at the exhibitor's discretion whether or not to fit their goat for Showmanship.
2. No pre-entry or entry fee is required. Exhibitors may sign up at the time of inspection or weight declaration.
3. Classes are limited to exhibitors with Junior Market Goat entries. Exhibitors must show their own animal.
4. Show order will be Junior – Intermediate – Senior
5. Three age divisions are offered, with exhibitor age considered as of December of the past year.
6. The judge will consider the animal's appearance, the exhibitor's showmanship ability, and the exhibitor's appearance, courtesy, and knowledge.
7. Rosettes will be awarded to 1st through 6th place in each division. No premiums will be paid for Showmanship.

3355. Junior Division (8 - 10 yrs of age)

- Buckle by Colorado Farm Bureau, Gabrielle Salazar Agency
- Award by Colorado State Fair Authority

3356. Intermediate Division (11-13 yrs of age)

- Buckle by Colorado Farm Bureau, Gabrielle Salazar Agency
- Award by Colorado State Fair Authority

3357. Senior Division (14-18 yrs of age)

- Buckle by Need Colorado Farm Bureau, Gabrielle Salazar Agency
- Framed Scholarship Certificate by N.J.C.

Junior Market Goat Special Awards

Blue Ribbon Processing, Erica Mason, P. O. Box 7, Fowler, CO 81039, provides the buckles awarded to the Grand Champion Market Goat and Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat exhibitors.

Colorado Farm Bureau, Gabrielle Salazar Agency, provides the buckles awarded to the Champion Senior, Intermediate and Junior Goat Showman.

Colorado State University, Dr. Keith Belk, Animal Sciences Department, 1171 Campus Delivery, Fort Collins, CO, provides a traveling trophy for the Grand Champion Market Goat.

Northeastern Junior College, 100 College Ave., Sterling, CO 80751, will award a \$1,000.00 scholarship to N.J.C. to the Senior Division (14-18 yrs) Showmanship winner. A framed Scholarship Certificate will be presented at the show.

SureChamp / DuraFerm, c/o Jenette Masarie, provides the banners awarded to the Top Third through Fifth Overall Market Goat.

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