



2019



Youth Open Meat Goat Show

The intent and purpose of the Central Florida Fair Open Meat Goat Show is to provide for a means to promote the goat industry in Central Florida. Central Florida has a unique opportunity for a market that is for out-of-season breeding and for natural colored breeds, known as niche markets. The Central Florida Fair is a forerunner in meeting the needs of the diverse cultural markets of Central Florida.

RULES & REGULATIONS

SHOWMANSHIP AGES

Age divisions will be based on the exhibitor's age as of September 1, 2018

Junior:	8 -10
Intermediate:	11-13
Senior:	14-high school graduation

ANIMAL & EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY

1. Only bona-fide **Central Florida** youth agricultural organizations or FFA members residing in/or attending schools in the following counties Brevard, Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Volusia are eligible to enter.
2. **Ownership date is January 1, 2019**
3. Entry must be in the owner/exhibitor's name.
4. Maximum of 8 goats per exhibitor.
5. \$15 per goat entry fee required at time of online entry. Plus \$1 online service charge. **Online Registration for the Open Show will close Wednesday, January 31, 2019. There will be NO day of Entries.**
6. Pee-Wee Showmanship is Free. **Pee- Wees must sign up by March 9th,2018 at 10am.**
7. Showmanship is \$10 per exhibitor.
8. Divisions will include following:
 - a. Market Goats *Any Does Shown under the Market Division are not permitted to show in the Breeding Division.
 - b. Breeding Meat Does
 - c. Breeding Meat Bucks
9. Exhibitors may show registered or non-registered goats.
10. Chapter/Club entries should be entered online in the following format:
First Name: Student's first and last name
Last Name: Club Name
11. Breeding Meat Goat Classes will be determined by the goat's date of birth.

12. Market Goat Classes will be determined by weight.
13. All animals must have a USDA animal identification tag, tattoo, or Microchip Number.
14. Exhibitors must be under the direct supervision of their FFA advisor or youth agricultural organization leader/advisor at all times.
15. Exhibitor must designate at time of online entry which organization (4-H/FFA/etc) they will conduct their project. No exhibitor will be allowed to change organizations after their entry has been accepted.

ENTRIES

1. All entries must be received on or before **January 31, 2019** in order to be accepted.
2. Each animal entered in the Central Florida Fair Open Meat Goat Show must have the correct ear tag, birth date and show division on their entry form. The Show Committee reserves the right to mouth all goats for age.
3. Entry fees are \$15 per animal. This amount must be paid before animals are officially entered and space is reserved.
4. All goats entered in the Central Florida Fair must be tagged with an approved USDA Scrapie Tag.
5. Goats must be shown in their respective age classes. Exhibits that have been erroneously entered may, at the discretion of the Superintendent, be transferred to their proper classes prior to judging.
6. All exhibitors must wear closed toed boots in the livestock barns and show ring.

Pee Wee Program

1. Pee Wee: age between 5 – 7yrs, as of September 1, 2018.
2. Pee Wee showmanship will not be judged; it is for exhibition purposes only.
3. Pee Wee showmanship will be held on Saturday, March 9, 2019 at 11:45 AM.
4. Exhibitor will use a goat registered in the show. (Exhibitor is NOT required to own their goat).
5. No entry fee is required.
6. Exhibitor must sign up by Saturday, March 9, 2019 at 10:00 AM.
7. Ribbons will be awarded.

HEALTH RULES

1. All animals must meet health regulation as specified in the Rules for Exhibition as required by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.
2. Goats must have current health papers at time of arrival to the fairgrounds.
3. USDA identification tags, tattoos or microchip numbers will be verified with the exhibitor's entry at check-in.
4. Animals disqualified for any reason will not participate in the show. The committee chairman will give reasons as to why an animal is rejected. All disqualified animals must be removed from the fairgrounds immediately.

ARRIVAL

1. An accredited veterinarian will be available to check the unloading of the animals. After animals are checked in by the veterinarians, the show secretary will check registration papers, classes and assign pens.
2. **NO ANIMALS WILL BE UNLOADED ON THE FAIRGROUNDS UNTIL THEY HAVE BEEN INSPECTED BY THE VETERINARIANS! NO EXCEPTIONS!**
3. All animals must be checked in by the veterinarian between 9 a.m. – 12 p.m., March 8, 2019.

4. All trailers will be parked in a remote location adjacent to the livestock facility.
5. All animals must be kept in a pen, no animals will be permitted to stay in trailers for the duration of the show.
6. The Central Florida Fair will provide sand. Any additional bedding is the responsibility of the exhibitor.
7. **This is a “Blow & Go” show, meaning that there will be no clipping at the Central Florida Fair.**
8. Fair Management and the Livestock Committee to combine classes consisting of 3 or less animals.

JUDGING/PREMIUMS

1. The decision of the judge will be final and no appeal will be considered.
2. Any exhibitor who interferes with the judging will be promptly excluded from competition; if after judging, the premiums awarded will be withheld.
3. All animals must enter the show ring and be evaluated by the judge in order to receive premiums.
4. All pens must be left free of any material. Bedding must be removed & water buckets must be dumped outside of the livestock barn. Any Material left in the pen will result in forfeiting of any premium monies.
5. All Premiums will be mailed out following the conclusion of the Central Florida Fair. Premium checks take six (6) weeks to process and will be mailed to the address provided on the Exhibitors' initial entry form.

YOUTH OPEN MEAT GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

The main objective in being a good showman is to present the animal to the livestock judge in the best possible manner. The animal must be set up properly, clean and trained well enough to respond to the exhibitor's commands. The exhibitor must be courteous, attentive (keep their eyes on the judge) and demonstrate knowledge of their project.

1. Classes will be determined by age divisions; junior, intermediate & senior divisions.
2. Awards will be given to the top 3 places in each age division; junior, intermediate, and senior.

RELEASE

1. Goats will be released at 5pm on Sunday March 10th, 2019.
2. Trailers will not be allowed on the fairgrounds until the completion of the show due to foot traffic.