



Jr. Market Goat Show

Superintendent: Clay Heck

Assistant Superintendent: Cindy Ramirez

Assistant Superintendent: Tyler Gardner

Judge: Cameron Anderson

Check In: Tuesday of fair week 7am-12pm

Show: Wednesday of fair week, 1:30 pm

****Entry Deadline: Friday September 5, 10:59pm****

Division Rules

See Junior Division General Livestock Rules

All **in-state** junior livestock (cattle, sheep, goats, and swine) showing at New Mexico shows must have an NMLB approved 840 tag and a Form 1 inspection issued by the NMLB before entering any county or state Fair. All **out of state** livestock must comply with New Mexico import requirements. The Form 1 inspection will be issued at the time the NMLB approved tag is placed in the animal. The application of the tag will be done by the extension agent, FFA advisor or Fair personnel. The purpose of these requirements is to keep on file a record of animals that are commingled at Fairs and shows.

Ownership

Any animal shown in this department must continuously have been owned and personally cared for by the exhibitor for at least 90 consecutive days immediately prior to the opening of the fair. Market goats must be tagged with an 840-ear tag. All market goats will be tattooed with a 4-H in the left ear or an A in the right ear (required by NMLB if the exhibitor does not have a registered brand). Any animal that has been sold through a non-premium sale in any state or county may not be exhibited at the SNMSFR.

YQCA Certification

All exhibitors of junior market animals are required to submit a YQCA Certificate number at entry. No junior market animal will be allowed to show without the number.

Entries

The entry deadline is Friday, September 5, 2025, 10:59pm. All entries will be entered and paid online.

Late Entry Fee: Late entries will be accepted until September 15, 2025, with a late fee of \$25 per animal.

Entries will only be accepted on-line through the Southern New Mexico State Fair website. The entry fee is \$15 per goat. The entry fee for Showmanship class is \$5. There is no limit on the number of goats each exhibitor may enter. Only wethers and does may be exhibited in market goat classes. Only goats under one year of age, milk teeth required, are eligible to show in this division.

Arrival

Junior market goats must be on grounds by 12:00 pm, Tuesday of fair week.

Upon arrival on SNMSFR showgrounds NMLB form will be inspected by the NMLB. Animals will then proceed to the weigh station. Goats will be weighed and presented for a health check to include horns (see *classification* below for details) and diseases. Blankets must be removed for health check. If any goats do not meet inspection requirements, they may not be allowed onto the showgrounds.

Classification

Market goats must be dehorned. Any horn re-growth (scurs) may not be over 2" in length. Scurs are typically "loose" and can be removed. Horns will have a larger base than that of a scur and will not be loose. No open wounds should be visible, head must be healed. **NOTE:** Horn/Scur requirement must be met **PRIOR** to weigh in.

If you have any questions about inspection requirements, please reach out to the superintendent or assistant superintendent **BEFORE** check in.

Show Weight

50 pounds is the minimum weight for Junior Market Goats. There is no maximum weight.

Pens/Stalling

Depending on the number of entries, goats will be placed 2 to 3 per pen. Shavings will not be furnished by the SNMSFR.

Fitting

The following materials are **prohibited** and include, but are not limited to, painting, powdering, oiling, artificial coloring, or adhesives. **No** painting, powdering, or artificial coloring is allowed. Only water may be used on goats. Any dressing other than water will be cause for immediate removal from the show ring and face disqualification by the superintendent or judge. The showgrounds electrical grid power is limited, generators are allowed. All generators must be placed in approved areas only and equipped with G.F.I.

Goats must be shorn above the hocks and knees with hair not exceeding a length of 3/8" upon arrival to the showgrounds.

Box Fans

Due to the heat, and the limited power grid of the showgrounds, box fans will be allowed with the following rules.

- Fans can only be powered by generators.
- Generators can only be placed in approved areas.
- Generators should be equipped with G.F.I. outlets.
- Fans must be equipped with a ground wire
- Attaching or extending an extension cord in an unsafe manner is prohibited
- Any cords may not obstruct alleyways, pens, or are in the way for animals to reach.
- Fans must be mounted in such a manner safe for the animal.
- No fans will be permitted in aisles and walkways.
- Fans may be inspected by any show staff. Any violations will be cause for removal of fan.

Junior Livestock Sale

A total of 20 junior market goats will be eligible for the sale. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion are required to sale.

****New for 2025** Exhibitors are allowed to sell 2 animals in the Livestock Sale, but they must be of different species.**

Release

Goats will remain in place until the official check-out times as provided in the schedule of events. Release/destination sheets can be picked up in the livestock office at any time and are due back by 10:30 am Saturday of Fair week.

NOTE – if requesting early release for goats entered in other shows (county, national, or state shows) you must have proof of entry.

Classes

Market goat classes will be placed by weight at the discretion of the superintendent and placed into a division category, light weight, medium weight, or heavy weight.

Awards

- Classes
 - 1st – 6th place in class.....Ribbons
 - Division Champion Market Goat.....Buckle, Banner & Rosette
 - Division Reserve Champion Market Goat.....Banner & Rosette

- Grand Champion Drive
 - Grand Champion.....Buckle, Rosette, Banner
 - Reserve Grand Champion.....Buckle, Rosette, Banner
 - 3rd – 5th Overall.....Banner

Showmanship

A Showmanship contest will be held following the Grand Drive. The class is open to all Junior Market Goat exhibitors and must be entered at the time your online entries are made. The fee for the Showmanship class is \$5 and is paid with online entries.

Champion Showman:

- Novice.....Buckle & Banner**
- Junior.....Buckle & Banner**
- Senior.....Buckle & Banner**

Reserve Champion Showman:

- Novice.....Banner**
- Junior.....Banner**
- Senior.....Banner**

Peewee Showmanship

A Peewee Showmanship class will be held following Senior Showmanship. The class is open to all youth who are under the **MINIMUM** eligibility to show in the market goat show as of January 1 of the current year. The fee for the Peewee Showmanship class is \$5 and is entered and paid at the time online entries are made. 1st place Peewee Showman will receive a buckle.



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