



## 2025 ABGA & JAGBA National Show

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**In addition to the following rules, all ABGA and JABGA Sanctioned show rules will apply.**

All Kentucky Exposition Center rules also apply.

### **DEFINING AN EXHIBITOR**

Throughout the ABGA and JABGA National Show Rules, the term “exhibitor” is defined as listed in the ABGA registry.

### **DEFINING A PARTICIPANT**

Throughout the ABGA National Show and JABGA National Show Rules, the term “participant” includes but is not limited to an exhibitor, agent, custom fitter, vendor, office staff, ring steward, or spectator.

### **ABGA NATIONAL SHOW ELIGIBILITY**

Exhibitors must be a current active adult or junior member, according to the requirements of JABGA to submit a show entry for the ABGA National Show. Active or junior members of ABGA must be listed as the current owner on the ABGA registration prior to entry.

### **JABGA NATIONAL SHOW ELIGIBILITY**

Exhibitors must be a current member of the Junior American Boer Goat Association or American Boer Goat Association and must be 21 years old or under to submit a show entry for the JABGA National Show. Goats must be registered solely in the JABGA member’s name. No ranch or family name can be listed in the owner section of the certificate. If the JABGA owner has more than one entry in a class, the other goats must be shown by another JABGA member.

### **ABGA/JABGA ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY**

Competition is open to goats registered in the Herd books of ABGA. No entries will be accepted until the animal is first registered in an ABGA herd book. The ABGA Herd books will close on May 16, 2025 (5 p.m. CST).

All goats except those entered in Commercial, Market and Meat Goat Evaluation Classes must be registered Fullblood, Purebred, or Percentage Boer goats. Percentage doe classes are for goats 25% to less than 93.75% Boer. Fullblood/Purebred doe classes are for goats 93.75% Boer and higher. Fullblood/Purebred buck classes are for goats that are 96.875% Boer and higher.

### **GOAT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS**

A Medication Report must accompany show paperwork submitted to the Show office to be eligible to compete at the ABGA and/or JABGA National Show. Goats must be accompanied by a paper copy of a current health certificate to enter the state of Kentucky. The health certificate is to be issued by your veterinarian within the past 30 days and must state the goats are for show purposes. All goats are expected to be healthy, free of disease, and in show condition. All goats in the barn must comply with Federal and State Scrapie and the state of Kentucky animal health requirements. ABGA assumes no duty or responsibility, nor shall it otherwise be liable to any exhibitor for any of the following:

- The prevention of disease.
- the protection of goats from disease or exposure to disease.
- The enforcement of animal health laws or regulations; or (iv) notifications or warnings about disease or other animal health-related concerns. In this regard, ABGA shall not be liable for any damage, injuries, or losses arising from, connected with, or related to disease, or the exposure of goats thereto. This includes, but is not limited to, actual and consequential damages.

## **VETERINARY SERVICES**

ABGA will provide contact information to exhibitors during check-in of a local veterinarian who can assist exhibitors with goat health issues. The contact information of the veterinarian will also be posted in the show office area.

**2025 National Show Veterinarian: Dr. Sawyer Williams | Phone: (502)-330-1745**

## **KENTUCKY STATE VETERINARY OFFICE**

The Kentucky Department of Agriculture State Veterinarian office contact number is 502-782-5901. The website is: <https://www.kyagr.com/statevet/animal-movement.html>.

Each exhibitor's veterinarian is required to call the Kentucky State USDA Office to obtain animal health requirements. Exhibitors failing to meet Kentucky animal health requirements are subject to fines and removal from the Kentucky Exposition Center.

## **IDENTIFICATION**

All breeding goats must have a legible permanent ear identification (ear tags are not permanent IDs) and/or a microchip corresponding to the ABGA registration certificate upon arrival on the grounds. An exhibitor must provide a reading device if a microchip is utilized for identification. Market and Commercial Goats must have a Federal USDA Scrapie tag (State and Individual number present) **GOATS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM JUDGING WITHOUT PROPER IDENTIFICATION.**

## **SHOW SCHEDULE**

A tentative schedule is listed in the show packet and noted as subject to change. The schedule of classes is at the discretion of the Show Superintendents based on in the barn entries. The schedule of classes for the show will be posted each day. Classes will also be posted on [www.abga.org](http://www.abga.org). **All goats MUST be out of the barn by 8am Saturday June 7, 2025.**

## **SHOW SUPERINTENDENTS**

National Show regulations and show rules will be adhered to and enforced by ABGA National Show Superintendents.

## **PENS AND SHAVINGS**

Pen Sizes are 6x6 and/or 7x7. Pens will be pre-assigned before the show. Pens for entries received at check-in are subject to availability. Pens will be assigned based on 1.5 goats per pen based on the number of goats pre-entered by the exhibitor. Allowances are made for a tack area and multiple bucks over one year of age providing space is available. Members can divide the pens with a divider. If several exhibitors want to pen together, they must note this on their entry form. A goat pen can be used as a tack pen or display. Shavings may be brought in.

## **END CAPS**

End Cap Size: 12 X 6. NO VENDOR OR INDIVIDUAL SALES WILL BE ALLOWED, except for sales of semen or goats owned by the exhibitor advertising on the End Cap. Exhibitor's Display must stay within the defined area for end caps or tack pen. Majority of End Cap must be Display ONLY (No fitting).

## **EXHIBITOR DISPLAYS**

Exhibitors may have a sign over their exhibit advertising their own herd. Show Superintendents can remove exhibitors' signs at their discretion. Exhibitor's Display must stay within the defined area for end caps or tack pen.

## **JUDGING**

Exhibitors are responsible for knowing the times at which their goats will be judged. Any goat not presented promptly will be ruled ineligible and barred from competition in the class. Judging of the class will begin once the entry gate is closed, at which time no animals will be allowed to enter. Progeny of fresh does will NOT be allowed in the ring.

## **JUDGE ELIGIBILITY**

- Judges must be an ABGA member in good standing (renewed and dues paid for the current year by January 1).
- Judges must be approved as an ABGA certified judge by January 1 of the current year.
- Judges may not have judged the applying for show (ABGA, JABGA, Bred & Owned, Market/Commercial) in the past two years.
- Judges will be requested to talk reasons through at least 10<sup>th</sup> place in all show classes (excluding pairs and groups).
- The JABGA Board will invite 5 non ABGA certified judges to be placed on the judging ballot for the JABGA market/commercial shows, in addition to the ABGA certified judges that have applied for nomination.

## **JUDGES' DECISION**

The decision of the judges shall be final in all cases except where fraud or misrepresentation on the part of an exhibitor is proven. Any such claim of an exhibitor's fraud or misrepresentation must be timely submitted as an official protest.

## **DISQUALIFICATIONS**

Any goat found not to be in accordance with ABGA Rules and Regulations will be disqualified. Any goat showing any pronounced defect or abnormality will be barred from the show. Any evidence of a cosmetic surgical alteration of an exhibited goat will be a disqualification. Any altering of pigmentation is prohibited. If an exhibitor's goat is found to have altered pigmentation, the goat will be disqualified from the show and the exhibitor will be subject to the terms of ABGA Rules and Regulations. Artificial coloring that alters the natural color of a goat will be a disqualification. By 24 months of age, does must have kidded or show evidence of visible udder formation consistent with late-term pregnancy. Illegible tattoos or tattoos inconsistent with registration papers will result in disqualification. A microchip inconsistent with registration papers will result in disqualification. Any goat testing positive for any performance enhancing drug and/or chemical, their substitutes, or derivatives will be disqualified. Should any goat that has been awarded a prize be disqualified before its class has been dismissed from the show ring, the lower placing goats shall move up to fill the vacancy. Should any goat be disqualified after the class has been dismissed from the show ring, the lower placing goats will not move into any higher position.

## **EXHIBITOR NUMBERS**

Each entry will be assigned a number. Exhibitors will receive cards which correspond with the numbers; these cards must be worn by the exhibitor in the show ring when goats are being judged.

## **FITTING**

Fitting will be left to the discretion of the exhibitor. Artificial coloring that enhances the goat's natural color is acceptable. All fitting and clipping must be done in the designated area. No fitting or clipping will be permitted in the arena area. Tack will not be allowed in the showing area or staging area.

*Any participant, member, agent, or those directly connected to the participant, agent, or member, shall be solely responsible for any loss, damage (including consequential), or injury to livestock, personal property, the facility, other participants, volunteers, vendors, or casual bystanders, arising in connection with activities, not sanctioned by ABGA or deemed negligent by a reasonable person. THE HEATING OF AEROSOL CANS IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.*

## **APPROPRIATE EXHIBITOR DRESS**

It is suggested that exhibitors dress in a professional manner as our National Show will be broadcast across several platforms.

## **UNAUTHORIZED GOATS**

Goats for which the owner has not paid an entry fee will not be allowed on the grounds, except for those goats that are nursing (Must have Owner Identification). All goats on the grounds must meet Kentucky State health requirements. Bred recips that are consigned to the National Invitational Sale will be assessed a pen fee in lieu of an entry fee.

## **PETS**

Pets (dogs, in particular) are strictly prohibited from being on the grounds. This will be enforced.

## **UNRULY GOATS**

The exhibitor will be liable for damage to fences, other goats, or injury to people. In addition to penning, unruly bucks may be required to be restrained or removed from the show if deemed necessary by the show management. If any goat is a threat to the public or is unruly, precautions must be taken. Exhibitors are responsible for the actions of their goats.

## **QUIET HOURS**

Quiet hours are between 11 pm and 6 am. Loud music, large gatherings, etc. are prohibited. Caretaking of animals, fitting, and show preparation is allowed.

## **PARTICIPANT CONDUCT**

If any participant, in any way, whether in person or by agent or employee, interferes with the judges, show officials or staff during their adjudication, or shows any disrespect to them or the show, ABGA may demand a proper apology from the exhibitor, may exclude the exhibitor and goat in question from competition, bar exhibitor from the grounds, and may also withhold prizes that may have been awarded. The National Show Leadership Team may apply other penalties and sanctions from time to time as deemed appropriate. To ensure a family-friendly environment, ABGA is prohibiting alcohol consumption.

## **PHOTOGRAPHY SERVICES**

The official show photographer, hired by ABGA for the National Show, will be provided exclusive rights to photograph show ring events and backdrop pictures, with exceptions approved by the National Show Committee Chairman or ABGA President. The exclusive rights for show ring pictures do not prevent show participants, spectators, and parents from taking pictures for personal use only. Pictures taken of show ring events and backdrop pictures may not be offered for sale by any source other than the official show photographer.

## **EXHIBITOR PARKING**

The Kentucky Exposition Center will provide trailer parking which is at the risk of the exhibitor. Exhibitors may only park in designated areas reserved for the ABGA Nationals. Vehicles and trailers improperly parked will be fined and towed at the exhibitor's expense.

## **ENTRY INFORMATION**

To enter the 2025 National Show without paying late entry fees, your entries and payment must be submitted by May 16, 2025. Entry fees are non-refundable. Late entry fees will be assessed on ALL entries received from May 16, 2025 – May 23, 2025. No entries will be received after May 23, 2025. The ABGA office will announce when the online entries are open. The deadline for all online entries will be 11:59 p.m. on the day of deadlines.

***Paper entries will be accepted but must be submitted on the official entry form and received in the office no later than 5 p.m. CST on May 23, 2025.***

There is no limit on the number of goats that can be entered in a class by a member, except in Market Goat Evaluation. Market goats, Meat Goat Evaluation, and Wether Dams must be entered on official entry form by the Scrapie identification (state and individual number must be provided) and match the health certificate as required.

### **ENTRY AGREEMENT**

By submitting entries to the National Show, the applicant hereby acknowledges and agrees that the American Boer Goat Association, its officers, directors, agents, employees, and volunteers (hereafter collectively "ABGA") shall not be responsible for any loss, injury, or damage in connection with, arising out of, or incident to the National Show. The applicant further and hereby expressly waives all rights to claims against ABGA by reason of, and releases ABGA from any liability whatsoever with respect to any injury to person or damage to or loss of property (including consequential damages) resulting from any cause whatsoever (expressly including ABGA's negligence). The applicant hereby agrees to hold harmless and unconditionally indemnify ABGA against and for all claims, liabilities, losses, costs, expenses, and damages (actual, consequential, or punitive) which ABGA may at any time suffer or sustain or become liable for by reason of any accidents, damages, injuries, or losses either to persons, property or both, of participant, of any other participant, of any other parties, or to the property of ABGA, in any matter arising from, connected with, or incident to the activities hereunder, including but not limited to any negligent act or omission of ABGA, its officers, agents, employees, or volunteers.

The applicant further acknowledges the receipt of a copy of the National Show Rules and certifies that he/she has read and understands them. Applicant further agrees to abide by all the Show Rules and acknowledges that the National Show Leadership Team of ABGA reserves the final and absolute right (a) to interpret the Show Rules; and (b) to determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto and from which determination no appeal or cause of action shall be available.

### **ENTRY FEES**

The entry fee for goats is \$40 per head in the ABGA National Show and \$30 per head in the JABGA National Show. The entry fee for the JABGA Bred and Owned Show and JABGA National Meat Goat Evaluation is \$20 per head. Entry fee for the JABGA Market Wether and Wether Dam show is \$40 per head. Entry fee for group and pair classes is \$10 per entry with exact animals to be finalized before the class. Entries are required to provide all information listed on the online entry system/paper entry form. NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED.

### **LATE ENTRIES**

All entry fee(s) for goats submitted after May 16, 2025, are subject to a late fee. Substitutions are available for a fee of \$40 per head per show from May 23, 2025, up to close of check-in. Exhibitors must contact the office for all substitutions. There will be a \$50 National Show rush fee, per animal, for any and all corrections performed during the National Show, in addition to standard applicable fees.

SHOW ENTRY TYPE	ON TIME ENTRY	LATE ENTRY
	By May 16, 2025	May 16 - 23, 2025
ABGA	\$40	\$60
JABGA	\$30	\$60
JABGA BRED & OWNED	\$20	\$60
JABGA MARKET WETHER SHOW	\$40	\$60
JABGA WETHER DAM	\$40	\$60
PAIRS CLASS	\$10	\$10
GROUP CLASS	\$10	\$10
SUBSTITUTION FEE (Deadline May 23, 2025, 4 PM CST)	NA	\$40
SUBSTITUTION FEE AT CHECK IN (In Class Only)		\$60
ON SITE RUSH FEE CORRECTIONS	\$50	NA

### COMPUTING AGES FOR ABGA & JABGA NATIONAL SHOW

ABGA will establish June 1, 2025, as the date for computing age classes.

### CLASS BREAKS FOR THE ABGA AND JABGA NATIONAL SHOW

The Junior Division in the ABGA Percentage Does, Fullblood Does, and Fullblood Bucks classes will be broken in accordance with the ABGA Sanction Show Rules. The JABGA Bred and Owned Show will also follow regular sanctioned show class breaks.

**\*Class break. (0-3, 3-6, 6-9 & 9-12).**

**Classes over 50 entries will then be divided into separate classes by age.**

## JABGA

### JABGA AGE

To be eligible to show, the junior exhibitor must be at least 4 years of age on the day of the show. The maximum exhibitor age is 21 years of age on July 1, 2024. Age divisions for showmanship and contests will be determined based on the contestant's age on July 1, 2024.

- Novice Division: 4-7 years of age
- Junior Division: 8-12 years of age
- Intermediate Division: 13-16 years of age
- Senior Division: 17-21 years of age.

### JABGA SHOWMANSHIP

There will be two showmanship competitions representing both market/commercial livestock and ABGA breeding livestock. Animals exhibited in commercial/market classes may only be used in market showmanship. Animals exhibited in breeding classes may only be used in breeding showmanship. Participants may participate in both showmanship classes.

Each exhibitor must use their own animal for the showmanship competition, if they have one entered in the JABGA National Show, or commercial/ market show. Any discrepancies must be reported to show management (Director of Community Engagement or National Show Chair) before class placing is final.

### JABGA BRED & OWNED CLASSES

All JABGA National Show entries where the JABGA member is both the animal's sole Breeder and Owner can be entered in the applicable JABGA Bred and Owned Class in addition to the regular class.

Entry Deadline and Entry Fees/Late Entries Rules apply. The breeder of an animal is the sole owner.

## **HEELERS–JABGA NATIONAL SHOW**

JABGA members are allowed to have a heeler in the class and may independently lead or hold the animals. The heeler is not allowed to touch the leg. The heeler must be a current JABGA member. JABGA members with physical or mental disabilities are allowed to have a heeler and reasonable accommodation can be provided. Proper documentation needs to be provided to the Director of Community Engagement or National Show Chair within 2 hours of the show.

## **JABGA WETHER DAM SHOW**

- All Wether Dams must have scrapie tag (state and individual number included), tattoo or microchip in place and match health certificate.
- Participants must show their own Wether Dam unless there are two or more Wether Dams entered by the same participant in a particular class. This includes all divisions and champion drives.
- All Wether Dams must have ownership declared before weigh-in and may not be entered or shown in another youth's name after being weighed in.
- Wether Dams may be exhibited with hair.
- Participation at the Regional Show is not limited to JABGA members – Double entry fees will be charged for non-JABGA members. Participation at the National Show is limited to JABGA members.
- Does exhibited in the Wether Dam show are not permitted to be exhibited in the JABGA Breeding Show.
- All fitting techniques must be within the accepted practices of the ABGA Sanctioned Show Rules.
- The Wether Dams will be shown in Divisions by teeth. Classes will be divided into three divisions:
- Division 1 - all milk teeth in place
- Division 2 – all milk teeth in place
- Division 3 - 2 teeth and older
- Mouthing will be done at weigh in, ABGA Superintendent conducting mouthing will have final say in division placement
- \*Class breaks within the divisions will be calculated by weight. Show management reserves the right to adjust the class numbers and breaks as needed.
- Grand and Reserve in each Division will compete for Grand and Reserve Champion Wether Dam.
- Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion animals at the National Show will be drug tested. Random animals may also be selected for drug testing. Where drug testing applies, National and Sanctioned Show Rules will be followed.
- The highest placing registered wether dam will be recognized with an award in each class.

## **JABGA MARKET SHOW**

- Wethers and does can be exhibited.
- All market goats must have a scrapie tag (state and individual numbers included), tattoo or microchip in place and match health certificate.
- Participants must show their own market goat unless there are two or more entries entered by the same participant in a particular class. This includes all divisions and champion drives.
- Market goats must have ownership declared before weigh-in and may not be entered or shown in another youth's name after being weighed in.
- Wethers may not have testicular tissue or exhibit behavioral signs of still being an intact male.
- Participation at the regional show is not limited to JABGA members – Double entry fees will be charged for non-JABGA members. Participation at the National Show is limited to JABGA members.
- All fitting techniques must be within the accepted practices of the ABGA Sanctioned Show Rules.

- Market goats will be shown in classes by weight. Show Management reserves the right to adjust the class numbers and breaks as needed.
- Classes will be divided into three divisions (where numbers permit). Top 5 will be selected in each division to compete for Top 5 Overall
  - Light
  - Medium
  - Heavy
- Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion animals at the National Show will be drug tested. Random animals may also be selected for drug testing. Where drug testing applies, National and Sanctioned Show Rules will be followed.

### **REGISTERED WETHER SHOW RULES**

- Wethers must be under 1 year old and may not possess adult teeth
- Wethers must be tattooed or microchipped or have a Federally issued Scrapie tag- animal ID will be checked of the Top 3 placing animal against the registration papers
- Wethers must be registered with a minimum of 6.25%
- Wethers must be entered in the herdbook by May 16, 2025
- Wethers must be weighed in at the check in times and will show by weight. Classes will be split if more than 20 head are checked in.
- The top 5 registered wethers will be selected and will represent the Registered Wether division as Division 4 in the Market Goat Grand Drive

### **PREMIER WETHER TYPE EXHIBITOR *SPONSORED BY HUMMEL LIVESTOCK***

The Premier Wether Type Exhibitor will be calculated on the Junior Exhibitors highest placing in the following areas:

- On Foot Placing in the Market Show, Registered Wether Show, or Wether Dam Show
- Wether Type Showmanship
- Highest place in one of the three JABGA Contests
- Goat Judging
- Skill-a-thon
- Sales Talk
- or Public Speaking

The Premier Wether Type Exhibitor Award will be determined by the 10-point system. The exhibitor must be an active member of JABGA. If there are 10 or more goats in the class, the first-place goat will receive 10 points, second place 9 points, etc., through tenth. If there are less than 10 goats, the first-place goat will receive points equal to the number in the class. Class totals will be determined from the total number of goats exhibited in a class from the official class sheets. Tie breaking will be in order of – Highest placing in contest, Highest placing in Showmanship, Highest Divisional placing. It will be the responsibility of the exhibitor to review these points and report any discrepancies to the National Show Chair.

**Rotating Trophy will be awarded to be returned to the National Show the following year.** It will be the recipient's responsibility to have their name and year engraved on the trophy.

### **PREMIER WETHER TYPE BREEDER *SPONSORED BY SC ONLINE SALES***

The Premier Wether Type Breeder will be determined by animals exhibited in the Market, Registered Wether, and Wether Dam Shows. The breeder will be determined by the Scrapie Tag Farm ID provided at time of entry. A minimum of 3 animals must be exhibited from an individual breeder to be eligible for the Premier Breeder award.

The Premier Wether Type Breeder Award will be determined by the 10-point system. If there are 10 or more goats in the class, the first-place goat will receive 10 points, second place 9 points, etc., through tenth. If there are less than 10 goats, the first-place goat will receive points equal to the number in the class. Class totals will be determined from the total number of goats exhibited in a class from the official class sheets

**Rotating Trophy will be awarded and is to be returned to the National Show the following year.** It will be the recipient's responsibility to have their name and year engraved on the award.

Placing	Points
Division Champion Market Goat Show	10
Reserve Division Champion Market Goat Show	5
Champion Registered Wether	10
Reserve Champion Registered Wether	5
Grand Champion Market Goat	10
Reserve Champion Market Goat	5
Division Champion Wether Dam	10
Reserve Division Champion Wether Dam	5
Grand Champion Wether Dam	10
Reserve Champion Wether Dam	5

Market & Wether Dam Class Premium Payouts										
# in class	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>
1-2	\$15	\$5								
3-4	\$20	\$10	\$5							
5-8	\$30	\$20	\$10	\$5						
9-15	\$50	\$25	\$15	\$10	\$5					
16-20	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10	\$5				
20-29	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5		
30+	\$75	\$60	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5

# in Show	Grand	Reserve	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
1-10	\$75	\$25			
11-20	\$125	\$50	\$25		
21-30	\$175	\$75	\$50		
31-40	\$200	\$100	\$75	\$25	
41-60	\$300	\$150	\$100	\$50	
61-80	\$400	\$200	\$100	\$50	\$25
81-100	\$500	\$250	\$125	\$50	\$50
101-125	\$600	\$300	\$200	\$75	\$50
126-150	\$700	\$400	\$200	\$100	\$75
151-175	\$800	\$450	\$250	\$125	\$75
176-199	\$1,000	\$500	\$250	\$135	\$100
200+	\$1,100	\$600	\$300	\$150	\$100

## AWARDS FOR JUNIOR SHOW CLASSES

Class winners will receive a buckle in both the JABGA and Bred & Owned JABGA shows. Rosettes will be awarded to the first through tenth place goats in all JABGA classes and first through fifth on Bred and Owned JABGA classes. Junior, Yearling, and Senior Division Grand Champions and Reserve Grand Champions receive a banner in the JABGA and Bred & Owned JABGA shows. A cash prize, banner, and trophy will be awarded to the Overall Grand Champion and Overall Reserve Grand Champion goats in the JABGA and Bred & Owned JABGA show.

Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Buckles will be awarded to Market, Meat Goat Evaluation, Registered Market Wether, Registered Meat Goat Evaluation, and Wether Dam. Rosettes will be awarded to first through tenth place goats in the Market, Meat Goat Evaluation, and Wether Dam show.

## JABGA PREMIUMS

Premiums in the individual JABGA and JABGA Bred and Owned classes will be paid based on the following schedule. Bred and Owned will pay through 5th place. Premiums will be mailed to the exhibitor's address provided upon entry.

Class Premium Payouts										
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*\*Per IRS Regulations, a cash prize may be subject to an IRS Form 1099 and will be held for proper documentation as required.*

## **MEAT GOAT EVALUATION**

### **GENERAL CONTEST RULES**

- Exhibitor must be a member of JABGA
- Contest is open to bucks, does, & wethers
- Goat must still have milk teeth
- Must be owned at least 60 days prior to the national show
- Limited to 1 goat per JABGA exhibitor
- This is a terminal contest
- Must participate in all 3 categories to be eligible for prizes and payouts

### **LIVE CLASS RULES**

- Animals must be slick sheared above the knees & hocks
- This is a no fit, blow & go show (no adhesives, powder, or paint)
- Classes will be divided by weight
- Minimum live weight of 70 lbs.
- Goats are subject to a random urine drug test

### **CARCASS CLASS RULES**

- Carcass must be youthful appearing, no spool joints or excessive dark coloring
- Carcass shall be free of serious bruises ("old", not recent), free of injection sites on the more valuable carcass parts - leg, loin, rack and shoulder (neck excluded) and free of any evidence of surgical altering of the live goat
- Slaughter facility reserves the right to condemn any carcass that does not comply with USDA standards

### **SCORING AND PAYOUT**

- Record book (50 Points Possible) placed 1-10, with payout to top five
- Carcass class (50 Points Possible) placed 1-10 with payout to top five
- Live class (50 Points Possible) placed 1-10 with payout to top five
- Carcass & Live class point system as follows 1st=50, 2nd=45, 3rd=40....etc.) 5. Overall contest score is determined by the aggregate total of points earned from each category
- Ties will be broken on second scoring of record book

## **JABGA REGIONAL SHOW SERIES RULES**

### **Eligibility**

- To compete in the High Point program, you must be a JABGA or ABGA member in good standing.
- JABGA members are eligible for prizes in all facets of the program.
- Non-JABGA members are only eligible for prizes in the market, commercial and market showmanship contests.
- To be eligible to compete in the Regional Show Program, participants must:
  - Be 21 years old or under as of July 1, 2024
  - Be a current JABGA/ ABGA member.
  - Age divisions will be determined as of July 1, 2024. Divisions are as follows:
    - Novice Division – 4-7 years of age
    - Junior Division – 8-12 years of age
    - Intermediate Division – 13-16 years of age
    - Senior Division – 17-21 years of age

## Regional Competition

1. Division High Point and Regional High Point winners will be determined by highest points earned in 4 of the 6 following events: Public Speaking, Goat Judging, Sales Talk, Goat Show, Skill-a-thon, and Showmanship.
  - a. Regional Show points possible – 400
2. Individuals that participate in skillathon, sales talk, and public speaking will receive the total number of points earned in the respective contest to be put toward their overall score. Scorecards will be out of 100 points.
3. Goat Judging – All age divisions will evaluate 4 classes of goats and receive up to 200 points. To get the total points to be included in overall score, the equation will be as follows:  
Points earned / points possible(200) x 100 = Goat judging score
  - Senior reasons scores will be utilized to calculate the Senior High Point, but NOT the Regional High Point Overall
4. Points will be awarded for the top placing animals for each exhibitor. First place will receive 100 points, and each subsequent placing will receive ten less points, down to ten points for 10<sup>th</sup> place. Points will be awarded to the highest placing entry for each participant to include, JABGA Regional Show, market, and commercial doe show. A maximum of 100 points will be awarded based on the exhibitor's highest placing animal. Non-JABGA members will only be placed in the market show, commercial show, and showmanship and not receive series points. Placings will stand as is and JABGA members will not move up in their placings.
5. If a participant competes in more than one JABGA Regional Show, their highest 4 placings in Public Speaking, Goat Judging, Sales talk, Goat Show, Skill-a-thon, and Showmanship will be used to determine their total Regional Show series score that will be used for the Cumulative High Point Winner. The highest score per contest will be utilized.
6. Regional Awards will be presented to the top five competitors in each age division for Public Speaking, Sales Talk, Goat Judging and Skill-a-thon.
7. Regional Awards will be presented to the Division High Point Winners, and a single Regional Show High Point Winner.
  - a. To receive awards, contestants must attend the entire awards ceremony. If any extenuating circumstances exist, a JABGA member representative must be named and approved by the Youth Coordinator or Youth Committee Chair, prior to the Awards Ceremony, to receive the awards. Any unclaimed prizes will be forfeited.
8. Ties: in the event of ties in the overall competition, ties will be broken by comparing scores in the following events:
  - i. Public Speaking
  - ii. Skill-a-thon
  - iii. Goat Judging

## National Competition

1. National Show High Point Winners will be determined by the highest points earned in 4 of the 6 following events: Public Speaking, Goat Judging, Sales Talk, Goat Show, Skill-a-thon and Showmanship.
  - a. JABGA National Show points possible – 600
  - b. 150 points possible per contest area
2. Individuals that participate in skillathon, sales talk, and public speaking will receive the total number of points earned in the respective contest to be put toward their overall score. Scorecards will be out of 100 points and points earned will be multiplied by 1.5 to total actual points earned.
  - a. Example: I received 98 points on the Sales Talk Scoresheet. 98 points x 1.5 = 147 points earned to be put towards my overall score.
3. Goat Judging – All age divisions will evaluate 4 classes of goats and have one class of questions and receive up to 250 points. To get the total points to be included in the overall score, the equation will be as follows: Points earned / points possible (250) x 100 x 1.5 = Goat judging score

- Senior Reasons Score will be used to calculate Senior High Point, but will NOT be used to calculate High Point Overall
- 4. Points will be awarded to the top 10 competitors in all market, commercial, breeding show classes and showmanships. The highest placing will receive 150 points, and each subsequent score will receive ten points less, down to 50 points for 10th place. Individuals that participate in the class, but do not place in the top 10 will receive 30 points.
- 5. National Show contest awards will be presented to the top five competitors in each age division for Public Speaking, Sales Talk, Goat Judging, and Skill-a-thon.
- 6. National Show awards will be presented to the National Show High Point Division Winner, for each age division, and a single National Show High Point Winner
  - a. To receive awards, contestants must attend the entire awards ceremony. If any extenuating circumstances exist, a JABGA member representative must be named and approved by the Youth Coordinator or Youth Committee Chair, prior to the Awards Ceremony, to receive the awards. Any unclaimed prizes will be forfeited.
- 7. Ties: in the event of ties in the overall competition, ties will be broken by comparing scores in the following events:
  - i. Public Speaking
  - ii. Skill-a-thon
  - iii. Goat Judging

## Overall Series

1. Cumulative awards will be determined by highest converted points earned in 4 of the 6 following events: Public Speaking, Goat Judging, Sales Talk, Goat Show, Skill-a-thon and Showmanship.
  - a. Regional Shows: 400 points possible
  - b. National Show: 600 points possible
- An individuals top 4 contest placings from Regional Shows and top 4 contest placings from the National Show will be used for the Overall Series High Points.
2. Converted point values from Regional Shows are as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> place will receive 100 points, down to 10 points for 10<sup>th</sup> place.
3. Converted point values from the National Show are as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> place will receive 150 points down to 50 points for 10<sup>th</sup> place.
4. Awards will be presented to the top five Cumulative Division High Point Winners, for each age division and the top five Cumulative Overall High Point Winners
5. Ties: in the event of ties for cumulative awards, ties will be broken by comparing scores in the following events:
  - iv. Public Speaking
  - v. Skill-a-thon
  - vi. Goat Judging

## CONI ROSS MEMORIAL CLASS

The Coni Ross Memorial Production Aged Doe Class is designed to allow breeders to showcase the production, functionality and longevity within their doe herds. The animals will be evaluated on their ability to maintain these traits during and after being in production and raising multiple sets of offspring.

- **Body Condition:** Animals should be either currently in production and/or of the correct breeding body condition to breed and kid with ease. Animals with excess fat deposits will be faulted.
- **Udder:** Does must have a teat structure that allows a newborn kid to easily nurse without intervention. (Good udder attachment, no blown teats, etc.).
- **Structural Integrity:** Does should be sound on their feet and legs and exhibit the necessary structural traits: such as strong pasterns and wide pen set; to be functional in a breeding and/or pasture setting without intense management.

- **Production Value:** Number and quality of offspring raised.

### **SPECIAL RULES:**

- Open to all ABGA registered does (Fullblood, Purebred and Percentage)
- All does must be 5 years or older.
- Does must show evident signs they have naturally kidded and raised offspring.
- Does may be exhibited with any natural born kid under 12 months of age at their side to demonstrate the animal's production ability and value. \*\*Preference given to does with kids who are currently nursing.
- Exhibitors will be required to provide production records to include:
  - Kidding dates
  - Number of kids born
  - Breeding information (Natural, AI, etc.)
  - Milking and mothering ability
  - Ease of kidding

### **GROUP CLASSES**

The following rules apply for group classes. Entry fee is \$10 per group per show. Cash entries will be taken up to the time of group class verification deadline. Exhibitors must complete the entry form; listing each animal's tattoo and registration number and submit it to the office for verification by 9 am of the day of the show. The goats must also be shown in their regular class. Any animal disqualified in a regular class for a cull fault or tattoo will not be eligible for the pairs or group classes. Fullblood Group Classes will follow the Fullblood Doe Overall Drive and Percentage Group Classes will follow the Percentage Doe Overall Drive.

- **FULLBLOOD GET OF SIRE:** Three Fullblood or Purebred offspring of the same buck with both sexes represented. Must have at least 1 of each sex. Any age and any sex. Do not have to be owned by the same person.
- **PERCENTAGE GET OF SIRE:** Three Percentage does, any age that are by the same buck. Do not have to be owned by the same person.
- **FULLBLOOD PRODUCE OF DAM:** Two offspring out of the same doe. Do not have to be owned by the same person.
- **PERCENTAGE PRODUCE OF DAM:** Two offspring out of the same doe. To be eligible, the dam must be registered in an ABGA Herd book. Do not have to be owned by the same person.
- **FULLBLOOD BREEDER'S HERD:** The exhibitor of the herd must be the breeder of record. Goats owned by other exhibitors may be included provided the exhibitor of the breeder's herd was listed as the owner or co-owner of the dam of the included goat(s) at the time of conception: Two Fullblood or Purebred does less than 12 months, Two Fullblood or Purebred does 12 months or greater, A buck of any age.
- **PERCENTAGE DOE BREEDER'S HERD:** The exhibitor of the herd must be the breeder of record. Goats owned by other exhibitors may be included provided the exhibitor of the breeder's herd was listed as the owner or co-owner of the dam of the included goat(s) at the time of conception: Two percentage does less than 12 months, Two percentage does 12 months or greater.

### **PAIR CLASSES**

The following rules apply for pair classes. Entry fee is \$10 per pair per show. Cash entries will be taken up to the time of the pair class verification deadline. Pair entries must have identical owners. Exhibitors must complete the entry form; listing each animal's tattoo and registration number and submitted to the office for verification by 9am of each show. Animal information will be checked upon entry at the gate. The goats must also be shown in their regular class. Any animal disqualified in a regular class for a cull fault or tattoo will not be eligible for the pairs or group classes. Junior Pairs classes will follow the Junior Division Drive and the Senior Pairs classes will follow the Overall Drive. Best Pair of Doe/Buck Kids will follow the Junior Fullblood Doe Drive.

- **BEST PAIR KIDS:** Two animals shown in the 0–12-month classes of the respective division. Classes are Best Pair of Buck Kids, Best Pair of Fullblood Doe Kids, Best Pair of Percentage Doe Kids
- **BEST PAIR ONE YEAR AND OLDER:** Two animals shown in the yearling and/or senior classes of the respective divisions. Classes are Best Pair of Senior Bucks, Best Pair of Senior Fullblood Does, Best Pair of Senior Percentage Does
- **BEST PAIR OF DOE/BUCK KIDS:** Both sexes represented. One Fullblood/Purebred doe and a Fullblood buck kid that has been shown in respective classes. Two animals are shown in the 0-12 month classes of the respective division.

## SPECIAL AWARDS

### PREMIER SIRE AWARD

The Premier Sire Award will be given to the sire that has accumulated the most class points (10-point system) earned by three or more exhibited offspring during the 2024 National Show. If there are 10 or more goats in the class, the first-place goat will receive 10 points, second place 9 points, etc., through tenth. If there are less than 10 goats, the first-place goat will receive points equal to the number in the class. Class totals will be determined from the total number of goats exhibited in a class from the official class sheets. The Premier Sire Award will be presented to the current owner of record according to ABGA.

### PREMIER EXHIBITOR AWARD

The Premier Exhibitor Award will be given to the Premier Percentage Exhibitor and the Premier Fullblood Exhibitor determined by the 10-point system. The exhibitor must be an active member of ABGA and be listed as the current owner on the ABGA registration certificate and in ABGA records. Premier JABGA Overall Exhibitor will be determined by the combination of Fullblood and Percentage Points. Each exhibitor must enter a minimum of three goats in the respective herd books. If there are 10 or more goats in the class, the first-place goat will receive 10 points, second place 9 points, etc., through tenth. If there are less than 10 goats, the first-place goat will receive points equal to the number in the class. Class totals will be determined from the total number of goats exhibited in a class from the official class sheets. Goats owned in partnership will accrue points for that partnership towards the Premier Percentage Exhibitor or Premier Full Blood Exhibitor Award. In the event of a tie, the exhibitor winning the most first place awards will receive the award. If the tie still exists, then the one with the most second place awards will win. If necessary, this process will continue until the tie is broken. It will be the responsibility of the exhibitor to review these points and report any discrepancies to the National Show Chair. The Premier Exhibitor Award will be tallied as follows:

Placing	Points
Grand Champion Junior Percentage	10
Reserve Champion Junior Percentage	5
Grand Champion Yearling Percentage	10
Reserve Champion Yearling Percentage	5
Grand Champion Senior Percentage	10
Reserve Champion Senior Percentage	5
National Grand Champion Percentage	10
National Reserve Champion Percentage	5
Grand Champion Junior Fullblood	10
Reserve Champion Junior Fullblood	5
Grand Champion Yearling Fullblood	10
Reserve Champion Yearling Fullblood	5
Grand Champion Senior Fullblood	10
Reserve Champion Senior Fullblood	5
National Grand Champion Fullblood	10
National Reserve Champion Fullblood	5

### **THE DONALD BIRD PREMIER BREEDER**

The point system for the Premier Exhibitor will be used giving the same points to the breeder. THIS AWARD IS FOR FULLBLOOD BOER GOATS ONLY.

### **NATIONAL INVITATIONAL SALE**

Division Champions and Reserve Champions of the previous two National Shows are invited to consign to the National Invitational Sale. This sale offers the highest caliber does, bucks, semen, and embryos from National Champion Genetics.

Junior owned animals that are consigned to the National Show Invitational Sale will remain in the ownership of the Junior until completion of the National JABGA Shows.

### **2025 National Invitational Sale- Online Sale on Herd Builder Pro**

Tuesday, June 2

Live Preview Monday, June 1

Lunch break in the show ring

### **INTERPRETATION AND VIOLATION OF RULES DURING THE SHOW**

The American Boer Goat Association (ABGA) National Show Leadership Team (Executive Director, Director of Community Engagement, National Show Chair, and all officers of the ABGA Board of Directors) have final and absolute right to interpret these rules and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto or occurring during, or incident to, the ABGA National Show or JABGA National Show. All members of the Leadership Team must be notified of a meeting with a minimum of 4 present to constitute a quorum. The National Show Leadership Team further reserves the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgment may determine. Any exhibitor, custom fitter, agent, or spectator who violates any of the rules will forfeit all privileges and be subject to such penalty as the National Show Leadership Team may order. The National Show Leadership Team may apply other penalties and sanctions from time to time as deemed appropriate.

### **OFFICIAL PROTESTS**

Official protests for exhibitor's fraud or misrepresentation shall be submitted to the Show Chair in writing and be accompanied by a \$300.00 fee. The ABGA National Show Leadership Team reserves the right to refund the \$300.00 fee. Only members in good standing with ABGA can file a protest. Any such protest must plainly state the fraud or misrepresentation of the exhibitor. Any protest filed more than 24 hours after the alleged incident shall not be considered. Protests shall be referred to the National Show Leadership Team which shall have full and final authority to determine the matter and from whose decision there is no appeal. The National Show Leadership Team will determine the method in which the protest is reviewed. Judging procedures shall not be interrupted for protest investigation.

### **NO LIABILITY**

ABGA OR JABGA SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS, INJURY, OR DAMAGE IN CONNECTION WITH, ARISING OUT OF, OR INCIDENTAL TO THE ABGA NATIONAL SHOW OR JABGA NATIONAL SHOW.

### **RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

PARTICIPANT EXPRESSLY WAIVES ALL RIGHTS TO CLAIMS AGAINST ABGA BY REASON OF, AND RELEASES ABGA FROM ANY LIABILITY WHATSOEVER WITH RESPECT TO, ANY INJURY TO PERSON, OR DAMAGE TO OR LOSS OF PROPERTY (INCLUDING CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES) RESULTING FROM ANY CAUSE WHATSOEVER (EXPRESSLY INCLUDING ABGA'S NEGLIGENCE).

## **INDEMNIFICATION**

PARTICIPANT AGREES TO HOLD HARMLESS AND UNCONDITIONALLY INDEMNIFY ABGA AGAINST AND FOR ALL CLAIMS, LIABILITIES, LOSSES, COSTS, EXPENSES, AND DAMAGES (ACTUAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, OR PUNITIVE) WHICH ABGA MAY AT ANY TIME SUFFER OR SUSTAIN OR BECOME LIABLE FOR BY REASON OF ANY ACCIDENTS, DAMAGES, INJURIES, OR LOSSES EITHER TO PERSONS, PROPERTY, OR BOTH, OF PARTICIPANT, OF ANY OTHER PARTICIPANT, OF ANY OTHER PARTIES, PROPERTY OF ABGA, OR **PROPERTY OF THE KENTUCKY EXPOSITION CENTER**, IN ANY MATTER ARISING FROM, CONNECTED WITH, OR INCIDENT TO THE ACTIVITIES HEREUNDER, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY NEGLIGENT ACT OR OMISSION OF ABGA, ITS OFFICERS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, OR VOLUNTEERS. [THE TERM "ABGA" MEANS AMERICAN BOER GOAT ASSOCIATION, JUNIOR AMERICAN BOER GOAT ASSOCIATION, ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, RING STEWARDS, AND VOLUNTEERS].

## **KENTUCKY EXPOSITION CENTER REGULATIONS**

Exhibitors are responsible for knowing the regulations of the Kentucky Exposition Center. Regulations will be enforced by ABGA Show Chair, Show Superintendents, and/or Kentucky Exposition Center officials. *Any charges or material costs incurred by ABGA due to an exhibitor violation or ignorance of these regulations will be paid by the exhibitor. **No smoking or cooking are allowed inside the facility. No alcoholic beverages may be brought onto the Kentucky Exposition Center by any person other than Lessor's concessionaires.***