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2024 Dairy Goat Project Information

Attention: Dairy Goat Members and Leaders

From: Bailey Schilling, 4-H Youth Development/Livestock Agent

This letter contains the highlights of the 2024 Dairy Goat Project guidelines. Once the Fair Book & schedule are posted online, each member and leader is responsible for reading, understanding, and abiding by all rules and regulations. [4-H and Open Class | The Ranch, Larimer County Fairgrounds & Events Complex \(treventscomplex.com\)](#).

Key Leaders: Aspen Devey & Wes Knackstedt

4-H Project Completion Requirements

To complete the Dairy Goat project, members must meet these minimum requirements. Please be aware that some clubs may have additional requirements.

- Participate in a 4-H related (subject matter or audience) demonstration or other speech presentation.
- Participate in a 4-H sponsored community service activity.
- Complete county level requirements such as a record book, Club meeting attendance, etc.

Premises ID

Same as 2023: All livestock animals are REQUIRED to have a valid Premises ID prior to the fair entry date of July 8th, in order to show at the 2024 Larimer County Fair. This does apply to breeding animals. In the instance that a family needs to move an animal from the premise ID that is on file to an alternative premise, the Extension Office must be notified immediately, and the new premise ID needs to be recorded.



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Members who house their animals at the same location will share a premise ID. If you have a leased animal please check with the land owner, stable, dairy, etc. to see if a Premise ID or Federal Identification has been established.

If you don't remember your number, you can call the number below and they can provide it to you, or you can contact the Extension Office for your number. If you did not show last year, you will need to obtain a Premises ID. It's easy (and free) to obtain a Premises ID. Your fair entries will not be approved until your Premise ID is uploaded to 4-Honline. You may need to call the Extension Office for assistance if you have already completed your enrollment. You can register by calling 303-869-9130 or go to: <https://ag.colorado.gov/animals/colorado-location-identification-lid-registration-premises>

Animal Care and Housing Form

This form is intended for any members participating in the Livestock or Horse Projects that keep an animal at a location other than the address documented on 4-Honline. This includes any location where the animal may reside for an extended period of time. This form needs to be uploaded under "other documents" to 4-Honline and a hardcopy must be turned into the Extension Office. [Microsoft Word - AnimalCareForm.doc \(colostate.edu\)](#).

Meat Quality Assurance Program

- 1) **Meat Quality Assurance Program (MQA)** - All 4-H members must have completed the Meat Quality Assurance Program requirements to exhibit at the 2024 County Fair. MQA requirements and other available training dates are listed in the Clover Connection.

USDA's Scrapie Eradication Program

The USDA's Scrapie Eradication Program will be enforced at the 2024 Larimer County Fair. This regulation requires goats to have Scrapie ID ear tags that list their herd of origin. Goats that are registered with the ADGA or other breed registry, may use legible tattoos if they are able to present registration papers. Illegible tattoos must be replaced with a USDA Scrapie ID tag. A purchased animal should have the seller's Scrapie tag. An animal you raised should have your Scrapie tag. Tags can be requested by calling USDA at (866) 873-2824.



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Tentative Workshop Schedule & MQA Dates

- February 24th, 8:00am-3:00pm, McKee Building- Livestock Field Day
- March 5th, 5:30-7pm, McKee Building
- April 2nd, 5:30-7pm, classroom setting, New Community Youth Arena- Classroom
- May 17th, 4:00-7pm, McKee Building- Meat Quality Assurance
- June 4th, 5:30-7pm, classroom setting, New Community Youth Arena- Classroom
- July 9th, 5:30-7pm, New Community Youth Arena- Arena Space
- July 10th, 4pm-7pm, Round Robin Workshop (All Species Invited), New Community Youth Arena- Arena Space.

Round Robin Clinic

This year there will not be a Round Robin Clinic during the county fair but rather a social for the members that have qualified for the Round Robin. This is an opportunity to get information from fellow showmen about the animal they qualified with. A Round Robin Clinic will be hosted on July 10th in the New Community building from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. This will be an opportunity for all members to gain hands-on experience and learn more about each of the species.

Tentative County Fair Information

Record Books

For all Livestock projects, record book checks will take place during species designated “set up” time. A member can come to any of the set up times to get their record book checked. Exhibitors must have completed a record book check **before** they check in their project animal. If you wish to enter your project record book in the Record Book Contest, books must be turned in to the Extension Office by September 23, 2024. Individual Clubs may have an earlier deadline.

Animal Release

Members who are wanting to take their animals home following the show will be able to do so. There will be a time designated for animals to be released (refer to the Fair schedule when it comes out for these times). Species are not required to leave following their show, they can be released at any of the designated release times. For example, John shows goats and hogs. He keeps his goats on the grounds until his hogs show, both species can be released during the release time following the hog show. In order for livestock to be released, they will need to contact their species superintendent. If the superintendent is not available members can go to the Livestock Office near the South entrance to the Mac Indoor Arena to get a release slip. The Agent or a member of the show committee will be in the office with livestock release forms.



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Tentative County Fair Dairy Goat Show Schedule

Wednesday, July 31, 4:00pm-6:00pm

Dairy Goat Set-up & **Record Book**
Checks

Thursday, August 1

Check-in /Fitting & Judging
Contest/Identification/Fast
Draw/ID/Costume/Obstacle Contest

Friday, August 2

Dairy Goat Showmanship & Dairy
Goat Show
Milk out contest follows



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