

Market Wether Goats

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Superintendent: Jim Daniel
Judge: Joe Raff – Wichita Falls, Texas

Show: Thursday, March 13, 8:00 a.m.

Barn 1 Arena is sponsored by American Farmers & Ranchers / Oklahoma Farmers Union.



Meat Goat Schedule of Events

Monday, March 10

1:00 p.m. Barns open to goats

Tuesday, March 11

10:00 a.m. All Goats must be in place

1:00 p.m. Goat Showmanship – Barn 1 Arena

3:00 p.m. Doe Kid cards must be turned in at Goat Superintendent's Office

Wednesday, March 12

9:00 a.m. Farm Credit of Oklahoma Doe Kid Show – Barn 1 Arena

1:00 p.m. Junior Wether Meat Goat cards must be turned in at Goat Superintendent's Office

7:00 p.m. Junior Breeding Doe Sale – Barn 3 Sale Pavilion

Thursday, March 13

8:00 a.m. Farm Credit of Oklahoma Junior Market Wether Goat Show

6:30 p.m. Selection of Grand Champion Market Wether Goat

Animals released immediately following completion of judging

Market Wether Regulations:

1: Ownership: Exhibitors must maintain continuous ownership, possession and provide daily care for each market wether entered in the show from the time of nomination until show day. Exhibitors may show three market wethers.

2: Nominations: To be eligible for the show, all market wethers must have been nominated through the OYE manual, on-site nomination process at one of the three following locations and times:

Muskogee County Fairgrounds, Muskogee, OK – Tuesday, October 30, 2007 – 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Grady County Fairgrounds, Chickasha, OK – Wednesday, October 31, 2007 – 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Chisholm Trail Expo Center, Enid, OK – Thursday, November 1, 2007 – 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Animals may be any breed or combination of breeds.

3: Identification: An OYE nomination tag will be applied at time of nomination.

4: Horns: Dehorning of goats in this show is not suggested; however horns should be tipped and rounded. Goats with horns sharper than deemed safe by the show superintendent or fair staff will be required to be tipped or rounded or isolated and not shown.

5: Stall Assignments: Stalls are assigned by the goat superintendents based on the number of market wethers and breeding doe entries and space available. Without exception, goat stall assignments are based on where a 4-H or FFA member attends school. The first, second and third place overall Goat Herdsman Award winners at the previous year's show are given choice of location for their stalls.

6. Weight: Minimum weight requirement for market wethers is 50 pounds. **Maximum weight limit is 160 pounds.** There is no official weigh-in of market wethers. Official scales will be available for exhibitors to use in determining weight for the official entry card which must be turned in by Wednesday, March 12, 1:00 p.m. for classification. The top five placing animals in each class will be weighed and any animal that differs by more than 5 pounds from weight submitted by the exhibitor on the official entry card will be disqualified and the placing of all animals below will be moved up by one and top 5 placing animals weighed.

- 7. Weight Classes:** The superintendent will determine the number of classes based on entries so that each class is composed of no more than 40-55 animals. **Based on the number of wether classes, divisions will be chosen with the Divisional Winners competing for Grand and Reserve Champion Wether Goat honors.**
- 8. Grooming:** Artificial coloring, paint and powder are not permitted for use in the market wether division during the show.
- 9. Shearing:** Wethers must be sheared to a maximum of 3/8" residual hair length.
- 10. Bracing:** Bracing of animals will not be tolerated and result in dismissal by the judge or superintendent. The animals must have all four feet on the ground. Animals must be shown with a collar used only to control the animal. Exhibitor can only transiently touch the animal with his body. Exhibitor cannot use the collar to make the animal tense his muscles. Any violation will result in dismissal.
- 11. Health:** Any animal with abscesses will NOT be allowed to remain on the fairgrounds. Goats must be free from external parasites, ringworm and warts.
- 12. General Rules:** Review the General Rules and Regulations for all exhibitors and animals listed elsewhere in this publication. These rules and regulations will apply in the market wether show.
- 13. Testing:** All market wethers are subject to be tested for unauthorized compounds. Wethers will also be subject to DNA testing.
- 14. Muzzles:** The use of hydration utensils and the use of soft muzzles are permitted in the stalls only. Soft muzzles must be removed from goats any time they are taken from their stall for any reason. Failure to use hydration utensils and soft muzzles in the stalls only will constitute disqualification.
- 15. Generators:** No generators will be allowed to operate inside the goat barns. No fans will be allowed in the aisles at any time.
- 16. Teeth:** There is no tooth rule.
- 17. Premium Sale:** The top 15 wether goats will be included in the Sale of Champions.
- 18. Animal Substitution:** An exhibitor may substitute one animal for another of the same species and sex as long as each animal has been properly nominated and/or satisfies all of the show eligibility requirements such as ownership, age, etc. Animals that do not meet the proper nomination requirements or other show eligibility requirements cannot be substituted for other animals. **ANIMALS MAY NOT BE SUBSTITUTED ACROSS SPECIES OR SEX.** Examples are below:
 Ex. 1 – An exhibitor may substitute a barrow for a barrow or a heifer for a heifer.
 Ex. 2 – An exhibitor may NOT substitute a barrow for a gilt (different sex) or a wether for a steer (different species).
 Ex. 3 – An exhibitor also may NOT substitute a market wether lamb for a market ewe.

Premiums:

Special Class Premiums Sponsored by the Oklahoma Meat Goat Association

The following premiums will be paid on all market wether weight classes

Place	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th
Premium	\$40,	\$35,	\$25,	\$20,	\$15,	\$15,	\$15,	\$15,	\$15,	\$15