



# Department 8P PYGMY GOATS

**2026**

**“Bright Lights & Fair Nights”**

Sunday	Monday	Tue	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AUGUST	3	4	5	6	7 Entry Deadline	8
9	10 Online entry deadline	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Evening: Pygmy Goats can arrive	21 FAIR OPENS	22
23 9:00 a.m. Pygmy Goat Show	24 10:00 p.m. Pygmy Goat Release	25	26	27	28	29
30 Fair Closes	31	Sept 1	Sept 2			

**ENTRY: Entries close Aug. 7.** Entries must be postmarked by this date. **Any late entries are subject to double entry fees and prior approval of the Superintendent.** You may submit your entries online. **Online deadline is Aug. 10.** Payment must be made with entry. Only Visa and MasterCard accepted online. [www.idahofair.com](http://www.idahofair.com).



*national pygmy goat association*  
The Official Breed Association of the Pygmy Goat

### National Pygmy Goat Association Sanctioned Show

**Pygmy Goat Show Chairperson:** Vivian Chipman – Boise, ID

**JUDGE:** Corey Christoffersen – Powhatan, Virginia

**Judging:**

**Sunday, Aug. 23 – 9:00 a.m. Ring 3**

1. **HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:** All goats must be properly dehorned/disbudded, sound, in good health, and free of communicable diseases. No horned animals may be exhibited. Out-of-state goats must have a Certificate of Veterinary inspection dated no earlier than 30 days prior to arrival at the Western Idaho Fair and an Entry Permit (call the Idaho Sheep and Goat Health Board at 208-334-3315). A negative Brucellosis test is not necessary for **temporary** entry of goats into the state for show purposes only (no sales or transfer of ownership to Idaho residents). All goats are subject to inspection at the Fairgrounds.
2. Rules 1, 4, 5, 6 in the General Rules and Regulations Section. All animals must be properly cared for and in good condition. Animals shown in Wether Classes must not show characteristics of any breed other than Pygmy Goat. The Management reserves the right to remove from the grounds or from the display any animal it deems unsuitable for exhibition. Please carefully read the **Rules and Regulations** at the front of this Premium Book or Website and all rules in this section.
3. **FEES:** An entry fee of \$3.00 per animal will be charged (\$6.00 per animal if late.) No pen fee will be charged. Please indicated how many pens you want to reserve. Pygmy goats will be allowed a maximum of 4 adults or 6 kids per pen. Tack pens will be available **ONLY** after all animals have been assigned pens. Tack space when assigned must be shared if necessary. No entry fees for showmanship classes.
4. **Entries and Eligibility for Premiums:**
  - **For Classes 1 – 4:** Include the name and age of exhibitor.
  - **For Classes 5 – 34** (Champion classes excluded): include the full name of the animal, date of birth, sire and dam, and (for NPGA Classes) registration number. See class descriptions of 35 – 37 for entry form requirements. Please double-check your animal’s paperwork against your entry form.

- Note:** 4-H/FFA Pygmy Goat exhibitors are welcome and encouraged to compete in the Open Show, **but EACH must submit an Open Class Livestock entry form and pay \$3.00 per animal for open classes.** (No fees to enter the Showmanship Classes). See the Junior Exhibitors Handbook for more information about the 4-H/FFA Show.
5. **PASSES:** Each exhibitor may purchase two exhibitor tickets for personal use at a cost of \$20.00 each. A helper’s pass may be purchased for \$20.00 for every three animals entered. **Remittance** for entry fees and exhibitor passes **must accompany entries.**
  6. **PARKING:** Livestock exhibitors will be issued two vehicle parking permits. For more information see General Rules and information on page 4 or Website under General Rules.
  7. **CAMPING:** See General Rules and Information on page 4 or Website under General Rules.
  8. **ARRIVAL TIME:** Pygmy Goat exhibitors may arrive Thursday evening, Aug. 20, but must be on the grounds before 10:00 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 21. Placement of livestock will be determined by the Show Chairperson. In the event of any conflict, the decision of the Department Superintendent or the Livestock Director will be final. **Animals will be health checked by Show Chairman before entering the barn.**
  9. **RELEASE:** Pygmy Goat exhibits will be released at 10:00 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 24 and **must be out** of the barn by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 25. Any exhibitor who removes, allows to be removed, or participates in the removal of a Pygmy Goat from the fairgrounds site without the Chairperson’s, Superintendent’s or Livestock Director’s express written permission may be barred from future exhibitor participation at the Western Idaho Fair, and will immediately forfeit any premiums awarded.
  10. **National Pygmy Goat Association (NPGA) rules will govern all Pygmy Goat Classes and supersede all other rules.** Only NPGA-registered does may compete in the NPGA-sanctioned doe and group classes. All tattooing must be done before commencement of the sanctioned show. For NPGA-sanctioned classes, the animal’s original NPGA registration certificate shall be presented to the Show Chairperson for examination at check-in and must be available for the judge’s inspection at show time.

NPGA rosettes will be issued only to NPGA animals; Western Idaho Fair rosettes will be issued to all champions.

11. **Show check-in and substitutions:** All open show exhibitors must check in with the Pygmy Goat Show Chairperson during the health check.

All substitutions must be made at or before the check-in and must be approved by the Pygmy Goat Chairperson.

**All animals must be ringside at the beginning of the show.** Please make use of empty pens or use tie lines on fences. There will not be time to run back and forth to barn for animals.

**PREMIUMS (Except for Classes 1 – 4)**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>
\$24	\$20	\$17	\$14	\$10	\$8

All Champions and Reserve Champions will receive rosettes.

**SPECIAL AWARDS**

The Western Idaho Fair will present a **Belt Buckle** to the Best NPGA Doe in Show and **Plaques** to the following:

Reserve Best NPGA Doe, Best Wether in Show and Reserve Best Wether.

The Western Idaho Fair will award a special **Barn Prize** of \$30 for First Place and \$20 for Second Place to the Open Class Exhibitors in this Department with the best-decorated pens and best cleaned aisle.

**Other Awards** may be presented and will be posted in the department.

**BASE DATE: August 23, 2026**

**SHOW: Sunday, Aug. 23 – 9:00 a.m. (Ring 3)**

**DIVISION 1**

**Open Showmanship (to follow quality classes)**

Showmanship Rosettes sponsored by **The Western Idaho Fair**; additional awards sponsored by the **Riverside Hotel**.

**PREMIUMS**

1 <sup>st</sup> - \$10	2 <sup>nd</sup> - \$8	3 <sup>rd</sup> - \$6	4 <sup>th</sup> - \$4	5 <sup>th</sup> - \$2
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**Class:**

1. Pee Wee Showmanship (ages 7 & under) – may be assisted by an adult.
2. Junior Showmanship (ages 8 – 10)
3. Intermediate Showmanship (ages 11 – 13)
4. Senior Showmanship (ages 14-18)

Note: the 2027 Fair will start the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of August; 2028 and after on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of August

**DIVISION 2**

**Pygmy Goat Wethers – Junior Division**

5. Wethers, 2 weeks to 6 months old
6. Wethers, over 6 months, but under 1 year
7. **Junior Champion Pygmy Goat Wether**
8. **Reserve Junior Champion Pygmy Goat Wether**

**DIVISION 3**

**Pygmy Goat Wethers – Senior Division**

9. Wethers, yearlings
10. Wethers, 2 years old
11. Wethers, 3 years old
12. Wethers, 4 years old and over
13. **Senior Champion Pygmy Goat Wether**
14. **Reserve Senior Champion Pygmy Goat Wether**
15. **Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Wether**
16. **Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Wether**

**DIVISION 4**

**National Pygmy Goat Association Registered Does Junior Division**

17. Baby Doe Kids, under 2 months old
18. Baby Doe Kids, between 2 and 4 months old
19. Intermediate Doe Kids, between 4 and 8 months old
20. Senior Doe Kids, between 8 and 12 months old
21. Yearling Does, between 12 and 15 months old, never freshened
22. Yearling Does, between 15 and 18 months old, never freshened
23. Yearling Does, between 18 and 24 months old, never freshened
24. **Junior Champion NPGA Doe**
25. **Reserve Junior Champion NPGA Doe**

**DIVISION 5**

**National Pygmy Goat Association Registered Does Senior Division**

26. Freshened Yearling Does, not yet age 2
27. 2 – Year Old Does
28. 3 – Year Old Does
29. Does 4 Years and Older
30. Does in Milk – any age (may not be shown in any other NPGA – sanctioned doe class)
31. **Senior Champion NPGA Doe**
32. **Reserve Senior Champion NPGA Doe**
33. **Grand Champion NPGA Doe**
34. **Reserve Grand Champion NPGA Doe**

**DIVISION 6**

**Group Classes – NPGA Registered Does Only**

35. Get-of-Sire: To consist of three does, all the daughters of one sire. One Get-of-Sire class per sire, and no more than two sires per exhibitor. If more than one exhibitor combines animals for this class, premium will be paid only to the exhibitor who submitted the sire entry. Sire's name, NPGA number, and the number of daughters to be shown must appear on the entry form; daughters' names and NPGA numbers to be provided to the show chair at check-in.
36. Dam and Daughter(s): To consist of dam and 1 to 3 daughters. Dam's name, NPGA number, and the number of daughters in the exhibit must appear on the entry form; daughter(s)' name(s) and NPGA number(s) to be provided to the show chair at check-in. Premium will be paid to exhibitor who currently owns dam, as indicated on the entry form.
37. Breeder's Trio: Entry will consist of 3 does, at least one of which is a senior, and all of which must have been bred by and currently owned by the exhibitor. Exhibitor's herd name should appear on the entry form; does' names and NPGA numbers to be provided to the show chair at check-in.
38. **Premier Breeder.....Banner**
39. **Premier Exhibitor.....Banner**

**Premier Breeder Award:** This award to be made to the breeder winning the most points in the **individual** classes on the top eight (8) animals **bred** by him and exhibited by him or others.

**Premier Exhibitor Award:** This award to be made to the exhibitor winning the most points in the **individual** classes on the top eight (8) animals **owned and exhibited** by him.

Premier Breeder and Premier Exhibitor awards will be given only when there is competition between two or more exhibitors.