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The National Show Committee would like to welcome you back to Louisville, Kentucky July 17th-23rd! We are all working together to make this a memorable and exciting show for all!

HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2021

ENTRY DEADLINE/ONLINE ENTRIES: Due to the implementation of the NG program at ADGA, all entries will be taken through the Blue Ribbon Fair Management program online. No paper entries will be accepted for 2021. Exhibitors will be provided a link to access the online program and well as comprehensive instructions for entry. Youth embedded show and youth events will also be entered through the same program. **Deadline for entries is midnight July 2, 2021. Please note that once you have submitted your online entry, you will not be able to make changes. Full instructions on entry procedure will be provided prior to the open of entries.**

COVID-19 RULES: The National Show committee has been working for months to develop a comprehensive plan for holding our show in a Covid positive environment. Exhibitors should be aware that they are expected to follow all stated COVID-19 rules including but not limited to: 24 hour masking while inside the facility, no spectators, temperature checking prior to vet check and prior to entering the show ring, social distancing and no seating around the show ring. Contact tracing forms will be collected prior to vet check and wristbands will be applied to gain entry to the barns. All rules will be monitored by committee as well as employees of the Kentucky Expo Center.

EARLY RELEASE: This year, due to the COVID-19 situation, the national show committee will be offering early release. Herds will be allowed to leave following the completion of their show. Herds **MUST sign up for early release when submitting entries. Exhibitors may not sign up at the show.** See COVID-19 Rules Part 5 Release from show for specific rules that must be followed to obtain early release.

ENTRY FORMS: No paper entries will be available this year. Please keep a copy of your online entries in case of questions at check in.

FEES REQUIRED WITH ONLINE ENTRIES: Fees must be paid online through the fair program by use of a credit card. Visa and MasterCard will be accepted at the time of entry.

SUBSTITUTIONS: Once you have entered your animals, you will be unable to make any changes to your entries unless you leave the entry in a PENDING status. Once you submit the entry, you cannot access it again so please be very sure of what you want to show before submitting your form. This year, exhibitors will only be allowed to make **THREE** substitutions at check in and any herd having those substitutions must be checked in by 4 pm (registration paper check in). **After 4 pm substitutions will not be accepted.**

BEFORE YOU LEAVE HOME: *Make sure all goats are healthy and free of contagious disease. If in doubt, keep them home. Check tattoos to be sure they are legible and match the papers. Be sure you have the ORIGINAL REGISTRATION/RECORDATION CERTIFICATE FOR ALL GOATS AND COMPLETE HEALTH PAPERS. REMEMBER YOU CANNOT SHOW DOES ON A SIGNED TRANSFER.*

We will not allow unreadable tattoos to be exhibited in the show. Animals with unreadable tattoos will be stalled but unable to show. They will then be charged a non-show fee which will cost an extra \$15.00 per animal. If in doubt, have someone read them early so you can re-tattoo, if necessary. (Make sure your papers are updated if you re-tattoo). Remember, there is no tattooing on National Show grounds!

QUARANTINE: There will be no quarantine pens available. **If you have an animal on your trailer that has a contagious disease, your entire trailer will be sent back home.**

PENS: All pens are 7 X 7 and are located in either the West Wing or the attached Pavilion. Cost per pen is \$25 for both animal and tack pens. We will try to accommodate requests, but pens will be assigned on a first-come, first served basis. The National Show Committee cannot guarantee a particular location. Exhibitors who will be staying at the show for the entire week will be stalled in the West Wing while exhibitors taking advantage of Early Release will be stalled in the Pavilion.

NO ANIMALS CAN BE HOUSED IN TRAILERS OR ANY PORTABLE PENS ON THE GROUNDS FOR ANY REASON!!! THE NATIONAL SHOW COMMITTEE WILL BE MAKING ROUNDS CHECKING TRAILERS!

NON-SHOW DOES will be stalled with the herd entering them on the entry form. All non-show does traveling to the National Show must pass through Vet Check and must be entered at time of entry and listed (with complete entry info) as NON-SHOW. They will be charged \$30 per animal. **NO BUCKS OF ANY AGE ARE ALLOWED!** All non-show animals will only be allowed to leave during the week if they are accompanied by a signed, official release form from the National Show Chair. A record will be maintained in the NS office with the animal's name, date of release and who the animal was released to as a veterinary precaution. **"For Sale" signs will not be permitted for animal sales. No animals will be allowed to be penned in trailers or in any portable pen on the facility grounds. Trailers will be checked on a daily basis. NOTE: Non show animals leaving during the week will have to be walked out to the parking lot as no spectators are allowed in to pick them up.**

ARRIVAL TIMES: Arrival times will be 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday, July 17th. If you arrive earlier than 7:00 a.m. Saturday, you will not be permitted to unload on the fairgrounds. Exhibitors will be told about unloading as they enter the grounds (You must Vet check the animals before you unload). All animals must be on the grounds and checked in by 9:00 p.m. Saturday, July 6th. Please note that all youth participants and their animals must be on site and checked in by 1:00 p.m. Saturday, July 17th.

VET CHECK PROCEDURE: Before you leave home, make sure all tattoos are correct on the health charts and in the animal's ears/tails. Make sure your vet has checked with the state of Kentucky and has the proper health documents, including a permit number. You will be greeted by the Vet Check Committees. All animals must be vet checked before they are off-loaded into the barn area. You will be given a Vet Check Card that will need to be taken to check in. **Please remember that any animal found to have a contagious disease, as determined by the State Veterinarians, will not be permitted on the grounds and all animals in the trailer will be asked to leave. Please make sure your animals are healthy before they are put on the trailer. Vet check will be held in Lot V which is just outside the main gate of the facility. At that point, COVID-19 contact tracing forms will be collected, temperatures taken and entrance wristbands applied. These wristbands must stay on for the entire week. Once that is completed you will be able to proceed through vet check.**

WELCOME COMMITTEE: Once you have cleared vet check you will be greeted by a National Show welcome committee. They will help you find the best location for you to unload (closest to your pens), will answer any questions you may have and get you headed to check in.

FACILITIES: The Kentucky Expo Center is a temperature-controlled facility and temperatures will be kept at a comfortable and safe temp for your animals. Please keep in mind that daytime average summer temps in Louisville in July are around 89 degrees. The 7 X 7 pens are vertical slat and pens can be opened up into larger pens for exhibitors that desire that. For a virtual tour and to see the photos of the pens click here; <https://nationalshow.adga.org/facilities> There should be plenty of pens but if we run short, **we reserve the option to reduce your pen space. Pen fees will be refunded in those cases.**

NON-ESSENTIAL ELECTRIC ITEMS PERMITTED: Due to the COVID-19 situation, no cooking will be allowed in the barns. Electrical appliances are not permitted, including but not limited to crock pots, coffee pots, cookers, fryers, microwaves, popcorn poppers, or any other electrical appliances which could be used for cooking. Pasteurizers cannot be used for cooking this year. No refrigerators or electrical coolers are allowed. Exhibitors are allowed to have cold food and coolers with ice in the barn. Violators will be directed to leave and face additional disciplinary action at the discretion of the National Show committee and the ADGA Board of Directors. Laptops, tablets and cell phones and chargers and electric photo frames are allowed in the facility.

EXHIBITOR ETHICS: Due to past complaints, the National Show Committee would like to reiterate that each exhibitor should review and follow the National Code of Show Ring Ethics. Improper behavior such as striking animals, rudeness toward fellow exhibitors, intimidating actions toward judges and other displays of unsportsmanlike conduct will be addressed directly and could result in removal.

DRESS CODE: The American Dairy Goat Association and the National Dairy Goat Show committee invite and encourage you to “Put your best foot forward” at the most prestigious, competitive dairy goat show in the United States. We want you to “Strut Your Stuff”!!! by looking as clean and “professional” as the animals you are handling. Please see #10 in Covid polices and #28 in general rules. Please remember only appropriate herd logo and name may be on your show shirts with due consideration to public image including those watching live- stream. Exhibitors may be required to change if clothing is deemed inappropriate by the National Show Committee. Only appropriate face masks will be allowed in the show ring.

BEST UDDER MILKOUT: Make sure to bring necessary items to milk your doe out in the event you are selected first or second udder in your class. Please bring all necessary equipment to this area before Best Udder classes. A separate area will be designated close to the ring for your equipment. Please note, only stainless steel milk pails can be used for milkout.

RECORDED GRADE GROUP CLASSES: All members of the Rec. Grade group classes must be shown in the Recorded Grade show.

YOUTH EMBEDDED SHOW: There will be a youth embedded show included during the open class show. Youth animals will be recognized in each class and there will be a Youth Premier Junior Doe and a Youth Premier Senior Doe chosen in each breed. Please be sure to read all Embedded Show rules. **NOTE: Youth embedded show entries will be made online through the same Blue Ribbon program as open entries.** Please contact Paul Plummer at 515-433-0252 with questions.

YOUTH PACKET: Information available online. For any additional information, please contact Paul Plummer at 515-433-0252.

HERDSMANSHIP: Please consider doing a herd display this year and “strut your stuff” at this year’s show. More info is available on the National Show website at nationalshow.adga.org

NEWCOMER’S HANDOUT: A handout is available for those first-timers who would like more information. Please send a self-addressed stamped envelope or your email address and request the National Show Newcomer’s Handout. This includes an article about traveling with dairy goats, what to bring, and what to expect.

CAMPING: Camping is available on the fairgrounds at the Expo Center RV Park. All camping is on a first come, first serve basis. The current rate is \$75 per night plus tax., which is subject to change without notice. Tent camping is not allowed at KEC. Camping in the barn will be allowed but exhibitors must sign up when they enter or they will not be allowed to stay. Masks are still required at night and herds staying overnight will be socially distanced in stalling.

NO ANIMALS MAY BE HOUSED IN TRAILERS DURING THE SHOW! Only animals entered as non-show does or housed in the non-show pens will be allowed to leave early and must have an official permit from the National Show office before removing the animals. **Please take the time to read all show rules thoroughly before coming to the show.**

2021 AND RULES: We are all aware that the 2021 ADGA National Show will not be the same as in past years. We ask that all exhibitors read and agree to abide by all show rules including COVID-19 rules. We ask your cooperation in making this a great National Show despite the restrictions we are having to follow!

Looking forward to seeing you all in Louisville!

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