

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### How old can I be?

For 2021 (and 2021 only) we are changing the age limit in order to allow youth that were unable to participate in 2020 due to Covid a final year of eligibility. Youth that are no older than 21 on July 17, 2021 will be eligible to participate in 2021.

- Are there specific rules regarding my attire in the ring?  
All persons entering the show ring handling dairy goats in any classes are expected to be dressed in the following manner:
  - Clean, neat and well groomed.
  - Plain white shirts only. No names or farm logos permitted.
  - Long, white pants or skirts.
  - Closed toe shoes.
  - Should have some way to fasten animal number so that animal can be properly identified.
  - Should enhance, not detract from the animal being shown.
  - If showing in many classes during the day, a change of show uniform may be necessary in order to project a professional image throughout the day.
  - All milk drawn in the show ring shall be milked into stainless steel milk buckets.

The following exhibitor uniforms or attire are not acceptable for National Show rings:

- Tight fitting knitted shirts, pants, leggings and/or leotards.
- Tank tops, muscle shirts, halter tops, bare midriffs, spaghetti straps, tube tops, and see-through, fish-net, or any other transparent clothing.
- Sandals, thongs, flip-flops, or other opened toe shoes or bare feet.
- Shorts of any kind.
- Chore clothes.
- Milk pails, other than stainless steel, in the show ring.
- Hats or caps of any kind.
- Sunglasses
- Capri pants

- **Can I bring my showmanship doe just for the weekend?**

Yes. There will be a \$10.00 fee if you are not exhibiting the doe in the Open Show and you must comply with the same health requirements as other participants in the show. You can use any doe that is either being shown in the open show or that you bring just for the showmanship contest (if you have reserved a pen on the youth entry form). The doe for showmanship does not have to be owned by you. If you intend to bring a doe only for youth events, you need to reserve a pen prior to June 12 and the animal will need to be removed from the premises by Monday morning. Pens are limited to animal use and tack pens will not be available. Please plan accordingly. Animals cannot be housed on trailers or in trucks as per the general ADGA rules.

- **Do we have to give reasons in the judging contest?**

Generally, the answer to this question is No, simply due to time constraints. However, we do reserve the right to ask the seniors to give one set of reasons if time allows, and it is requested by the official judges. If reasons are expected, participants will be notified previous to the start of the judging class. What does the Management Contest include? Questions concerning any phase of dairy goat ownership or management, including, but not limited to herd health, veterinary medicine as it relates to dairy goats, dairy goat feeds and hays, understanding dairy goat pedigrees and DHIA forms, and any subject addressed in the ADGA Guidebook.

- **What is YQCA and why is it suggested in 2021 and required starting in 2022?**

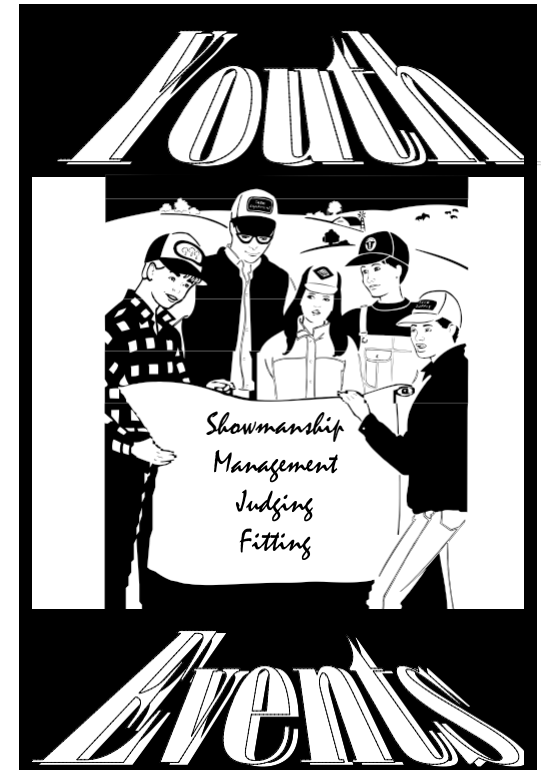
Youth for the Quality Care of Animals is a widely used training platform for assure that youth livestock exhibitors learn and understand the importance of livestock care and welfare. The majority of states already require this training to participate in 4H or FFA competitions. In 2021 this training is **suggested** and it will be **required** for participation in 2022. Online training can be completed for \$12 at [yqca.org](http://yqca.org). Note that the training is age specific and will have to be completed every year. The certificate number should be listed with the youth entries and can be verified by ADGA.

Activities sponsored by the Youth Activities Committee and held in conjunction with the National Show.

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# 2021 AMERICAN DAIRY GOAT ASSOCIATION NATIONAL YOUTH SHOW



**July 17-23, 2021**  
**Louisville, Kentucky**

## 2021 ADGA NATIONAL YOUTH

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### General Rules for Participation

1. Participant must be no older than 21 years of age on July 17, 2021.
2. All ages for classes will be determined by the youth's age on July 17, 2021.
3. All participants will be required to provide a completed participation form and have a designated adult guardian present at the show.
4. New: Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA.org) certification is suggested for all participants in 2021 and will be required of all participants starting in 2022. Please include your current certificate number with registration materials.
5. Youth are expected to conduct themselves in a manner appropriate for a show. Please take into account that other people and animals are present, and no conduct dangerous to these people or animals will be allowed.
6. Use of alcohol or illegal drugs by youth participants is strictly forbidden. If a youth is found to be drinking alcoholic beverages or using illegal drugs, the youth may be dismissed from all youth activities.
7. A youth need not be exhibiting animals in the open show to participate in the youth events.
8. All judgments of the National Youth Activities Committee are final.
9. There are no entry fees for any youth show activities.

### Youth Orientation Meeting July 17, 2021 - Saturday, 2:00 PM

1. In 2021 this meeting will be held virtually. More information about how to join will be distributed when you arrive at the show.
2. Please plan to join virtually

### Youth Showmanship Contest July 18, 2021 - Sunday, 8:00 AM

CLASSES: Juniors: Age 10 & under  
Intermediate I: Ages 11–14  
Intermediate II: Ages 15–17  
Seniors: Ages 18–21

All ages are as  
of July 17, 2021

1. All animals must have proper health papers and be entered either as a showmanship animal or in the open show.
2. You do not have to show an animal that you own.
3. **Judging criteria are as per the ADGA Guidebook (see ADGA Showmanship Scorecard).** With the exception of attire as outlined in the Q&A section of this pamphlet.
4. Ribbons will be awarded to 10th place, with a trophy for 1st place in each of the four classes. (All entrants will receive a participation ribbon).

### Youth Judging/Management Contest July 17, 2021 - Saturday, 4:00 PM

CLASSES: JUNIORS: Age 14 and under  
SENIORS: Ages 15–20

1. These two contest will be run concurrently but are scored independently and will have separate awards.
2. Management contest will consist of questions relating to dairy goat management, health, equipment, feeds, hay,
3. The judging contest will consist of several classes of animals (4 goats per class).
4. The seniors may be asked to give one set of reasons, if time allows. (These reasons would be given without the animals standing in front of you.)
5. The official placings of the judging contest will be from a panel of ADGA Licensed Judges and their judgment will be final.
6. There will be no talking allowed between participants. Any one seen talking during the contest will be disqualified.
7. The questions on health and nutrition will be written by individuals trained in these areas (e.g., veterinarians and nutritionists) and their judgments will be final.
8. An award will be presented to the highest scoring individual in each division. The placings will be announced at the end of the week.

### Youth Fitting Team Contest Canceled for 2021

1. Due to Covid safety precautions and the inability to socially distance this competition it has been canceled for 2021.

### Premier Youth Exhibitor Contest

1. To participate in this contest, complete and submit an application (available at the show) to the designated committee member by the deadline.
- 2 This award is presented to the individual (Junior and Senior) with the highest cumulative score based on the following criteria:

#### YOUTH CONTEST POINTS:

Showmanship: Points for top 10 placings (1st-20, 2nd-18, etc. to 10th-2). Management: Points for top 10 placings (1st-20, 2nd-18, etc. to 10th-2). Judging: Points for top 10 placings (1st-20, 2nd-18, etc. to 10th-2) OPEN SHOW POINTS: (Youth embedded show placings may not be used) Points are based on the youth's top three placing animals that meet Rule #3 based on the following scale (1st-10, 2nd-9.5, 3rd-9, 4th-8.5, etc. to 20th-0.5) and additional 2 points given for each of these three animals that was bred by the youth.

3. All points from the open show (see criteria above) must be from animals which list the youth as sole owner on the official ADGA registry certificate. (This does not prevent the youth from participating in a family unit, or showing animals owned jointly or by others. However, only the animals owned individually by the youth participant can be used to count towards premier youth exhibitor points.) Additionally, only placings of individual animals in age classes will be used (i.e., no group classes, production, best udder awards or championship classes) and animals may be used only once.
  4. To be eligible for this award, the youth must participate in the showmanship contest, the fitting team contest, and the management/judging contest. (The fitting team and management/judging classes do not require you to bring a goat and you are permitted to borrow a goat from anyone showing at the show who will let you use their animal for the showmanship on test.) You do not have to show an animal in the open show to be eligible for this award.
  5. The winner will be announced at the end of the week at the awards ceremony.
  6. In the case of a tie, the combined scores of the three youth events (showmanship, fitting team, and management/judging) will be used in determining the winner.
  7. **IMPORTANT:** You must own the animals used for your open show points in the Premier Youth Exhibitor contest. The ADGA Youth Committee is requiring that all animals used in this computation be registered solely in the youth's name. This does not mean that all animals the youth show in the open show must be registered as such, but any animal not solely in their name cannot be used for open show points. This does not include the does used in showmanship, unless they are also being used as open show points in the Premier Youth Contest.
  8. Youth do not have to take part in the Embedded Youth Show to be eligible for Premier Youth award consideration.
- The same criteria will be used as described for the Premier Youth Exhibitor for Breed Specific Premier Youth Exhibitor Awards .