

# How to Show Your Kinder Goat

Showing your Kinder goat can be a fun and rewarding experience. Maybe people are intimidated or afraid to give it a try but showing your goat isn't hard at all if you are prepared.

## Before the Show

- Check entry deadlines and make sure to sign up on time in the correct categories.
- Make sure you have registration papers in hand for every goat you wish to show.
- Practice leading your goats with a collar.
- Trim hooves, and make sure your goats are in good condition.
- Shaving is not required but I like to at least touch up udders.
- CHECK all tattoos. If they are not visible retattoo. **\*Tattoos are required\***
- Get a vet health certificate within 30 days of the show.
- Find housing accommodations for yourself. (Many shows let you camp but ask first!)

Junior does are any doe 2 years of age and younger that have never freshened.

Senior does are any doe that have kidded previously.

They should be shown in milk unless there are specific DRY DOE categories.

## At the Show

- A vet may inspect your animals and check your tattoos.
- Your animals will be kept in small pens. Depending on the show and size of your goats usually 2 – 4 animals will fit per pen. (2 big does, or 4 kids) Please make sure when you sign up you reserve your needed number of pens.
- Proper showing attire is a white shirt and black pants. Not required but it is encouraged.
- While showing keep your eye on the judge and listen to their commands. Always keep the animal between you and the judge. If they move around your animal so do you. When turning, turn into the goat. Goats are typically walked with collars not leashes.

**There will be people at the show willing to show/teach you proper showmanship and how to move around the goat in the show ring. It is easy!**

## What to Bring

- Vet health certificate, registration papers, copy of show schedule and classes.
- Enough food and bedding to last your goats for the weekend.
- Water buckets and hay mangers.
- Collars, brushes, baby wipes.
- Any milking items you typically use.
- A couple changes of clothes including comfortable wear.
- Toiletry items, towels, shower shoes, etc.
- Personal bedding, air mattress, pillows, etc. (If you will be camping out)
- Cooler with snacks, phone charger, lawn chairs.
- Things to do during down times such as a book.
- Tarps and zip ties!!
- **Nice to Have Extras:** Broom, extension cord, fan, milk stand, sun screen, bug spray.

**Most importantly, HAVE FUN!**

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