

TO: Utility Goat Projects Members & Project Leaders
FROM: Pandora Woodward, Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development
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This letter has important information about enrolling your utility goat for the county fair. Please read through the material and contact me or your project leader if you have questions. Note that information is updated due to Covid-19. **Utility goats must be enrolled on the Boone County Utility Goat Enrollment form and turned into the Extension Office by July 1. This form can be printed off the Utility Goat Project Page on the Purdue Extension Website: <http://extension.purdue.edu/boone>. Only one form per family is needed this year.**

Reminder: Goats can only be exhibited in one goat project each year. This means that you cannot show a goat in utility and show it in meat or dairy in the same year at the fair. You can however enroll the goat in more than one project (ie meat and utility or dairy and utility), but when you arrive at the fair you have to declare which project it is going to be shown in.

Utility goats will need a form of identification in their ear and entered into 4HOnline. Here is a list of what is acceptable to ID your Utility Goat that will show at the county fair:

- Official Scrapies ID tag
- Official Scrapies tattoo
- Registration tattoo (tattoo must be noted on the registration paper and accompany the animal at fair check-in.)
- Registration microchip (electronic implant must be noted on the registration paper and accompany the animal at fair check-in.)

For State Fair Pygmy Goats must use either a microchip that matches registration papers or a breed registry tattoo.

Utility Goat Leasing Program

Members leasing animals must turn in a completed lease agreement, into the Extension Office by July 1 with your Utility Goat Enrollment Form. **You do not need to worry about getting the project leader's signature this year. The Extension Office will get with the project leader to get these all signed.** This form can be found on the Utility Goat Project webpage of the Purdue Extension Website (<http://extension.purdue.edu/boone>). **Remember that if you are leasing a goat it is NOT eligible to be shown in the meat or dairy goat project.**

Livestock Location Approval Form

If any of your livestock are not housed on your family's residence you **must mail in a completed Livestock Location Approval Form to the Extension Office by July 1.** This form must be mailed this year. Extension Office; 1300 East 100 South, Lebanon IN 46052. This paperwork will be reviewed and kept on file at the Extension Office. See General Livestock Rule #1 of the 4-H Handbook for specific details. This form can be found on each of the livestock project pages.

YQCA Training Requirement

This is a reminder that in order to exhibit any meat/dairy production animal at the county fair you must be YQCA certified. On April 17 you were emailed updated information on how you can complete the YQCA training in 2020. The online training that you choose must be completed by July 1 in order to exhibit at the Boone County 4-H Fair and the Indiana State Fair. Remember that the paid version of YQCA is the only acceptable form of certification for the Indiana State Fair. If you have questions please contact Kimberly Moore, 4-H Program Assistant at moore913@purdue.edu.

Other important information you need to know when it comes to enrolling livestock:

Co-enrolling Animals: Animals may be co-enrolled within the same family (siblings and step-siblings). The animals may be listed under a single 4-H member or you may enroll each animal under each child. Either way the animals will be considered “co-enrolled” among the siblings in the family. At least 1 animal needs to be identified by each member enrolled in the project. Then at the fair each child will designate who will be showing each animal.

Ownership and Registration Requirements: 4-H animals must be registered in one of the following ownership methods:

- a. In the 4-H members' name;
- b. John Smith and Sons;
- c. John Smith, Sons and Daughters;
- d. John Smith and Family (family includes sons, daughters, and legal guardian youth only);
- e. Mark Smith (brother) and Mary Smith (sister);
- f. Family corporations, where the 4-H members' name appears as a holder of stock in the corporation, and proof of same must be supplied on or before the enrollment date;
- g. Family partnership where the 4-H members father, mother, brother, sister, aunt, uncle, grandparent, and/or legal guardian is also in the family partnership and the 4-H member's name appears on the legal, notarized partnership. A copy of the written document must be attached to the enrollment form before the enrollment deadline.

Premise ID (Premises Identification): Every property owner housing beef, boer goats, dairy cattle, dairy goats, meat goat wethers, pygmy goats, sheep, and swine should have a premise identification number for that property. The purpose is to be able to quickly notify livestock owners of a contagious disease outbreak in their vicinity, should that ever occur. Please contact the Indiana Board of Animal Health for more information and to obtain your premise ID number if you do not have one. The phone number for IBOAH is 317-544-2381. This process takes about 5 minutes over the phone.

Livestock Health Papers (CVD): The Boone County 4-H Fair Board will NOT be requiring exhibitors to present a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection when checking in their animals at the 4-H Fair. All animals will be inspected for contagious diseases, ringworm, fungus, etc prior to being allowed to unload from the trailer, as ha