

# JLGA SHOW RULES (updated for 2018 JLGA Show Season)

It is the responsibility of all exhibitors and their parents to read & be familiar with all JLGA Rules & Guidelines concerning events they are participating in. Upon registering and payment of show fees, all exhibitors and their parents, and family are agreeing to abide by all JLGA Rules and Guidelines. **(Listed in Show Rules, Section 2 Entries & Registration, Rule 6 ADDED 11/14/2009)**

***Any deletions will be highlighted in yellow.***

***Any new changes will be highlighted in blue.***

## **SECTION 1 - INTERPRETATION, AMENDMENTS, AND VIOLATIONS:**

**RULE 1:** The JLGA Board of Directors reserves the right to interpret the following rules and regulations and to settle and determine ALL matters, questions, and differences that may arise relating to said rules and regulations (with a majority vote). The JLGA Board of Directors also reserves the right to change any show order or amount of or type of premiums or awards that may have already been published with a majority vote.

**RULE 2:** The JLGA Board of Directors reserves the right to revise or amend any of the following rules and regulations with a majority vote.

**RULE 3:** ALL privileges, entry fees, premiums, and awards are subject to forfeit from any person or persons found in violation of any JLGA rules, guidelines, procedures, and regulations.

**RULE 4:** The following rules and regulations **WILL** apply to **ALL** JLGA events including but not limited to shows.

## **SECTION 2 - ENTRIES & REGISTRATIONS:**

Starting with the 2018 Show Season entry fees may either be paid in cash or by check at time of check-in day of show, or may be paid on-line ahead of time at time of pre-registration.

On-line payments through the bank will be an additional \$1.00 charge per transaction. Credit card charges are 3.5% plus .50 charge per transaction. These payments will be

processed through Intuit Quick Books by current JLGA Treasurer Cindy Kay.

If you are planning to do on-line payments you must do so by the Monday before the show on Saturday. If you have any questions on this method of payment, please message current JLGA Treasurer Cindy Kay via private message on Facebook.

**(ADDED 01/20)**

**RULE 1:** ALL entry fees must be paid at time of check-in. Entry fees to be paid as stated above. In the event unforeseen circumstances arise, such as severe illness, injury, or family emergency that prevents a youth from attending the Saturday show after their entry fees have been paid on-line on the Monday prior to the show, a credit will be for the next future JLGA show they plan to attend. **(ADDED 01/2018)** Fees will not be refunded after the start of the show.

**RULE 2:** ALL exhibitors and/or their parents or guardians must provide all requested information concerning their entries to the Show Secretary at time of check-in. Anyone refusing to do so will not be allowed to show that day.

On ALL registered goats, original registration papers must be presented at time of check-in at each and every JLGA show. Also a copy of the registration papers must be on file each year. Please see "Copies of Registration Paper" below.

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registration papers must be completed by their breed specific registry.

ALL JLGA exhibitors 9 years of age and over must have their registered goats registered in their name only. No other person's name and/or any farm or ranch name is to be listed. Youth 8 years of age or younger, may also have a responsible adult's name listed on their goat's registration papers, as some breed registries are requiring this due to the exhibitor's young age. This other person must be an adult and must be either a parent, adult sibling, or other family member that is responsible for that youth and their goats at JLGA shows and events such as grandparents, aunts, or uncles. **(ADDED DECEMBER 2010 "Special" Board Meeting)**

ALL registered goats placing in the top 5 "End of Year" placings, will have their ownership verified by the JLGA Adult Secretary according to the "JLGA Secretary's Checklist of Ownership Verification." (Listed below in Section 2A) **NO "END OF YEAR" AWARDS WILL BE AWARDED TO ANY REGISTERED GOAT THAT DOES NOT MEET THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS.**

**(ADDED NOVEMBER 2010)**

It is the policy of the JLGA to accept ALL Breed Registries' papers, including "Native on Appearance" and "Heritage" registered papers. The International Boer Goat Association closed its doors in 2012. For a period of 1 year the ABGA accepted these IBGA papers for transfer to the ABGA. However after December 31, 2013, the ABGA no longer accepted ANY other registry's papers, including IBGA registrations, for transfer to the ABGA. Due to these actions some goats that were previously registered with the IBGA as Fullblood or Percentage may now be considered Commercial for ABGA purposes. If this is the case and an IBGA Fullblood or Percentage goat has shown before in the JLGA, they will continue to show in their appropriate class according to their IBGA papers.

No does with registry tattoos may show in the JLGA Commercial Doe Class. **(AMENDED JAN 2017)** With the exception of registered Kinder Does 4th Generation and lower and registered Percentage AOB Does.

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor's parents and/or guardians to make sure their youth's pending paperwork is completed and listed in their youth's name (as defined above) for **ALL** registered goats.

**COPIES OF REGISTRATION PAPERS:** For ALL JLGA Shows, a copy of ALL registration papers for ALL registered goats (that have shown in any of that year's JLGA shows) must be on file with the JLGA Secretary. These copies will be dated and kept on file at each and every JLGA Show for that season, by the JLGA Show Secretary, in case any questions arise regarding but not limited to age or Bayou Certified eligibility. This includes any pending applications, registrations, or transfers. You must bring a copy of those goat's registration to the first show of the season they show in and present to JLGA Show personnel at time of check-in, to be kept on file for the year. Even if registered goat showed in the JLGA Show Season prior and copy of papers were on file, each year a new copy must be presented to be kept on file for the new show season. A copy of registration papers only have to be presented one time a year, unless the goat changes ownership within the same show season, then it is the responsibility of the new owner's parents and/or guardians to submit copies as defined above.

**PENDING REGISTRATION PAPERWORK: (CHANGED JAN 2017)** From now on, all registrations on registered goats **MUST** be presented at each and every JLGA show. In the event the paperwork is pending, such as registration

applications, or transfers, it is the responsibility of the JLGA exhibitor's parent to make sure these registrations are completed and in the name of the youth before the start of the last show of the season.

1. **(CHANGED JAN 2017)** Youth may show a registered goat with pending papers. By the next JLGA show they show that goat in, registration should be completed with that goat's breed specific registry and presented at time of check-in for that second show. A new copy of the completed registration papers are to be presented to be kept on file. It is the responsibility of the JLGA Exhibitor's Parents to make sure the registration papers are completed and in their youth's name before the start of the last show of the season.
  
2. **(AMENDED & ADDED TO JAN 2014)** The burden of proof lies with the youth's parents or guardians. The only exceptions on pending papers **(ADDED JAN 2017)** after the start of the last show of the season are as follows:
  - A) If there is a Registry delay - If this is the case, then the parents or guardians must contact the JLGA Adult Secretary at least 48 hours prior to the last JLGA show **(CHANGED JAN 2017)** if they are planning on counting points on that goat and qualifying for "End of Year" awards with that goat, if they see they are not going to get the paperwork back in time. The JLGA Adult Secretary will then contact that specific breed registry to confirm that papers are there, when they were received, that they are being worked on, and the cause of the delay. If delay is due to registry issues, than the JGLA Adult Secretary will grant an extension on the pending papers. If the delay is due to late submission by the exhibitor's parents or guardians and the breed registry cannot get the paperwork completed because there was not enough time allowed, an extension WILL NOT be granted.
  
  - B) On purchased goats ONLY if there is a delay from the Breeder. If the delay is due to incomplete information or lack of information from the breeder of a purchased goat ONLY and this can be verified by the JLGA Secretary, then an extension of will be granted. If this is the case, then the parents or

guardian must contact the JLGA Secretary at least 72 hours prior to start of the last show and give complete Breeder contact information, so Breeder can be contacted and delay verified. If Breeder cannot be contacted or can not verify delay, no extension will be granted. Burden of proof lies with the exhibitor's parents and/or guardians.

**RULE 3:** ALL entries must be made in the name of the owner of the goat(s) being entered. Should any be found to be otherwise entered, any award by the judge including but not limited to ribbons, premiums, or "End of Year" points will be forfeited. This does not include entries logged as transfers.

**RULE 4:** From time to time Breeders are used as judges for JLGA Shows - Exhibitors may show goats they have purchased from these Breeders in the show the Breeder is judging, however the goats must have been purchased greater than 30 days from date of show. **(ADDED MARCH 2009)**

**RULE 5:** JLGA Rules and Guidelines concerning all things JLGA are posted on the JLGA website at [www.jlga.org](http://www.jlga.org) and also kept at all JLGA events at the registration table. It is the responsibility all exhibitors and their parents and/or guardians to read and be familiar with ALL JLGA Rules and Guidelines concerning any JLGA event they are participating in. Upon registering and paying of show fees, ALL Exhibitors and their parents and family are agreeing to abide by ALL JLGA rules and guidelines. **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2009)**

Notices for any rule changes and/or important JLGA updates are also be to posted to the Junior Louisiana Goat Association Facebook Page as soon as they are available **(ADDED JAN 2014)**

**SECTION 2A - OWNERSHIP VERIFICATION - SECRETARY'S CHECKLIST: (ADDED JAN 2008 PRIOR TO 1ST SHOW OF THE 2008 SHOW SEASON) PROCEDURE FOR VERIFICATION OF OWNERSHIP:**

1. Points tables are tallied by Secretary and an unofficial list of "End of Year" placings is made. Then verification of ownership before date of last show of the season is to be made.
2. If copy of papers are on hand the following is to be checked in the following order:

- a. Name of goat
- b. Name of owner
- c. If Bayou Certified Award - Breeder information is to be checked
- d. Date of birth of goat (this date must come first ex: 01-08-09)
- e. Date of purchase (this date must be after DOB ex: 05-18-90)
- f. Issue date (this date must be after the date of purchase ex: 05-29-09)
- g. Breed registries may be contacted to verify current ownership

**\*Please Note** - All registries list a date of birth. Some only list a date of purchase. Some only list an issue date. Some list both date of purchase and issue date. All registries list a breeder.

**Regarding Pending Papers:** At "End of Year" verification, if copy of papers on hand are still listed as pending, are damaged, or unreadable, or are not on hand, then exhibitor's parents or guardians are to be notified and asked to fax or email a copy of the completed registration papers to JLGA Adult Secretary within 72 hours. **(ADDED JAN 2014)** Once papers are received via either fax or email, verification follows as outlined in RULE 2 above. Once ownership (before start of the last show of the season) is verified then placing stands.

If there are any questions regarding any information listed on copy of papers that raises the question of ownership or question of ownership prior to start of last show of the season, (such as but not limited to, owner listed not person who exhibited goat - date of birth, date of purchase, and issue date are not in correct date order) the Secretary is to first contact JLGA Adult President with information and then Secretary will contact the appropriate Breed Registry to confirm information. If able to verify information and papers meet all requirements, ownership (before start of the last show of the season) will be verified and placing will stand. If questionable information is found out during phone conversation with Breed Registry(s), then Secretary will contact President with information and ownership at that time will be considered unverified.

In the event ownership cannot be verified after all information is gathered and all attempts by Secretary have failed to verify ownership before the start of the last show of the season, the matter must be presented before the JGLA Board of Directors at a "Special" Board Meeting and a ruling must be made by the majority of the Board Member present.

The JLGA Adult President will be asked to contact the Parents of the Exhibitor with the goats in questions and inform them of the situation - Parents are to be given 72 hours to respond, **(ADDED JAN 2014)** dispute, and/or defend information and reason for delay in ownership verification. If Parents or guardians wish to appeal, they are to be informed of next Board Meeting date that the issue will be discussed, issue is to be placed on the agenda of that meeting and parents or guardians given an opportunity to attend this "Special" meeting, present supporting data and to discuss matter with boards. Parent or guardians must bring the original registration papers on the goats(s) in question to the Board Meeting so they can be compared with information on hand. No photocopied, faxed copies, or any reproduced copies of any means will be accepted at the "Special" Board Meeting the issue is to be discussed as evidence to dispute the issue.

If in the opinion of the JLGA Board of Directors by a majority, ownership cannot be verified after all evidence is presented at the "Special" meeting, all awards for the goat(s) in question are to be stripped and if there are qualifying exhibitors placing under the goat(s) in question, they are to be moved up in the final standings providing they meet all requirements and ownership has or can be verified. Any further disciplinary actions regarding the issue of unverified ownership before the state of the last show, are to be set forth by a majority vote of the Board Members present at the "Special" meeting this issue was discussed.

**SECTION 2B - METHODS OF PAYMENT:** Methods of payment for JLGA are either cash or check **ONLY.** at time of check in day of show or by on-line payment as listed above in Section 2 - Entries & Registrations **(ADDED 01/2018)**

**SECTION 3 - HEALTH REGULATIONS:** Health Papers are required for ALL JLGA shows. It is the responsibility of ALL JLGA exhibitors, parents, and/or guardian to obtain health papers by a board certified veterinarian of their choice and have these papers on hand at each and every JLGA show. **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2011)** Each exhibitor and their parents or guardians are to take special care that none of their goats have any signs and/or symptoms of disease or illness.

**RULE 1: (NOVEMBER 2009)** The JLGA reserves the right to ask any exhibitor parents or guardians to remove any animal(s) that are exhibiting any signs and/or symptoms of any illness and/or disease or suspected illness and/or disease including but not limited to infectious & noninfectious conditions.

**RULE 2: (NOVEMBER 2009)** ALL goats must have either a legible tattoo or be microchipped and tattoos and/or microchip number must match those numbers on registration papers. Scrapie tags are the sole responsibility of exhibitor and their parents or guardians.

The USDA Scrapie Program is a voluntary State and Federal effort established to reduce the occurrence and spread of classical scrapie disease. To order Scrapie Tags, please call **1-866-USDA-TAG (866-873-2824)**

**Also please visit their website at:**

[www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-disease-information/sheep-and-goat-health/national-scrapie-eradication-program/ct\\_to\\_order\\_ear\\_tags](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-disease-information/sheep-and-goat-health/national-scrapie-eradication-program/ct_to_order_ear_tags)

The JLGA understands that some Breeders of certain breeds of goats (AOB, Dairy, Pygmy, and others) do not wish to ear tag their goats due to the possible damage to the ear (torn, broken, or incorrect ear carriage) that may affect the conformation of these goats in their specific Breed sanctioned shows. For JLGA Shows for Breeders that wish to participate in the Scrapie Program, but do not wish to ear tag your goats, we suggest that you please use the following guidelines for these goats.

1. Order your USDA Scrapie Tags by contacting the number provided above.
2. After you receive your tags (usually in about 4-6 weeks) assign each goat you are showing or transporting, one of these tags.
3. Choose the method of identification that you will use. Either Breed Registry tattoos or Microchips. Please remember if you choose to use microchips, you must provide your own microchip reader. Please remember whichever method you decide to use, must also be listed on your goat's registration papers. Please copy & paste the link below to view the "Goat Registry Tattoos Approved for use in the Scrapie Flock Certification Program (SFCP)

[www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\\_health/animal\\_diseases/scrapie/downloads/approval\\_registry\\_tattoos.pdf](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/animal_diseases/scrapie/downloads/approval_registry_tattoos.pdf)

4. On the back of the tag with an indelible fine tip black marker, write the full registered name of the goat, along with your preferred method of identification (you will use this same identification on your health certificate for that goat). Remember the name and your preferred method of identification that you choose to write on the back of the scrapie tag MUST match the same information on your Breed Registry issued Registration Papers:

***FOR EXAMPLE:***

Anybody's Ranch John Doe  
RTE: ABR LTE: T9

***or***

Anybody's Ranch John Doe  
MC# 012345678910234

5. Then place the tag on a key ring with a clip on it (or something similar) that can easily be clipped to the exhibitor's belt loop. Exhibitors should have these tags on them at all times when checking in their goats and/or showing them in the ring, for easy access if needed.
6. Remember Health Certificates are required for each JLGA show. Make sure you use the same identification you used on the back of the Scrapie tag on your health papers.
7. Then make a copy of that goat's registration papers and attach them to the health certificate.

Following the above JLGA suggestions for Scrapie Tag use for goats that you choose not to ear tag, will help greatly in checking Health Certificates and checking identification when the need arises. Please remember that the above suggestions, as with all JLGA Rules, Guidelines, etc., apply to JLGA shows ONLY. For other association events you plan on attending, always check that shows rules or catalogs or contact their show personnel.

**SECTION 4 - CODE OF ETHICS, CONFORMATION, & STRUCTURE:**

**RULE 1:** To maintain a high level of confidence in our shows, the JLGA reserves the right to disqualify any goat fitted in an unethical manner. Unethical fitting consist of any method altering the natural confirmation of any part of the goat's body. Unethical fitting include the following:

- A.** Injecting gas, solid, or liquid, underneath the skin to alter natural conformation.
- B.** Any attempt to alter the natural contour, shape, and or appearance of goat's body, hide, or hair by means of surgery, cutting, or tearing of flesh under the hide. NOT INCLUDED is the removal of warts, teats, and horns, clipping and dressing hair and trimming of hooves.
- C.** Any procedure or attempt to disrupt the natural dental formation and pattern.
- D.** Any alteration of goat's natural coloring by means of dying.

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**RULE 2:** If in the opinion of the judge, a goat shows signs of having been altered for the purpose of concealing faults in conformation or with intent to deceive related to the goat's soundness and conformation, they will be disqualified.

At the time entry fees are paid, every exhibitor and their parents and/or guardians agree to submit to any test required (at the owner's expense) to resolve the matter. Each exhibitor and their family also agrees that the conclusions reached by the veterinarian as to whether such goat is unethically fitted shall be final without recourse against the JLGA or any of its representatives. In case any premiums have been presented to goats shown in violation of this rule, the exhibitor and their family will forfeit and return all premiums, awards, ribbons, and rosettes. In the event the vet findings are inconclusive and/or in the exhibitors favor, the JLGA will bear the cost of the test. **(ADDED JAN 2014)**

**NOTICE - NEW STATE LAW "ACT 461" BECAME EFFECTIVE AUGUST 15, 1997.** This law prohibits tampering with livestock. "Tamper" means any of the following:

- (a)** The injection, use of, or administration of any drug or other internal administration of any product or material, whether gas, solid, or liquid,

to livestock for the purpose of concealing, enhancing, transforming, or changing the true conformation, configuration, condition, natural color, or age of the livestock or making the livestock appear more sound than it actually is.

- (b) The use or administration, for cosmetic purposes, of steroids, growth stimulants, or internal artificial filling, including paraffin, silicone injection, or any other substances.
- (c) The use or administration of any drug or feed additive affecting the central nervous system of the livestock unless administered or prescribed by a licensed veterinarian for the treatment of an illness or injury.
- (d) The use or administration of diuretics for cosmetic purposes.
- (e) The surgical manipulation or removal of tissues so as to change, transform, or enhance the true conformation, configuration, or natural color of the livestock unless the procedure is considered an accepted livestock management practice.

**THE TAMPERING OF ANIMALS FALLS UNDER THE CRUELTY TO ANIMALS;**

**SIMPLE & AGGRAVATED PART OF ACT 461 WHICH STATES:**

- (1) Any person who intentionally or with criminal negligence, tortures, maims, mutilates, or maliciously kills any living animals, whether belonging to him or another, shall be guilty of aggravated cruelty to animals.
- (2) Any person who tampers with livestock at a public livestock exhibit or at a private sale shall be guilty of aggravated cruelty to animals.
- (3) Any person who causes or procures to be done by any person any act designated in this Subsection shall also be guilty of aggravated cruelty to animals.
- (4) Whoever commits the crime of aggravated cruelty to animals shall be fined not less than five thousand dollars or more than twenty-five

thousand dollars or imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for not less than one year or more than ten years or both.

- (5) For purposes of this Subsection, where more than one animal is tortured, maimed, mutilated, or maliciously killed or where more than one head of livestock is tampered with, each act comprises separate offenses.

#### **SECTION 5 - CLAIMS FOR INJURY:**

**RULE 1:** No claim for injury to any person or property SHALL EVER be asserted nor suit instituted or maintained against the JLGA, it's officers, or it's agents, by or on behalf of any person, firm, or corporations or their representative having license or privilege to exhibit at any JGLA event or activity.

**RULE 2:** The JLGA is in no way responsible for any damage, loss, or injury to person or property that is caused by any neglect or willful act of any person attending JLGA events.

**RULE 3:** The JLGA will not be in any way liable for any injury to any attendant to any JLGA event or activity.

**SECTION 6 - EXHIBITOR'S DUTIES & PRIVILEGES:** The JLGA is open to all youth ages 2 - 19 years of age as of January 1 of the current show season. Due to this fact, there are youth 8 & under showing in the regular classes, these youth may be assisted. However, that assistance must come from another youth. This also includes any youth with "Special Needs" such as any but not limited to physical or mental handicaps as long as all other show rules are followed. **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2011)**

ONLY exhibitors, their goats, persons working the ring, and the judge will be allowed in the ring. Parents will ONLY be allowed in the ring in case of an injury or an unruly goat is presenting a problem.

**RULE 1:** If an exhibitor and/or their family or friends has acted in an unsportsmanlike and public manner including but not limited to judge's ruling, the JLGA Board of Directors can expel the offending exhibitor and/or their associates from competing or exhibiting until they SHALL HAVE made proper apology and have been reinstated by a vote of the majority of the JLGA Board of Directors. **(ADDITION ADDED NOVEMBER 2009 AS FOLLOWS)** The JLGA is not

responsible for the actions or interactions of exhibitors with their parents or family members and vice versa outside the show ring or after the class has concluded.

**RULE 2:** If any exhibitor has been found to have made or caused to be made any false statement (written or verbal) regarding any goats (including but not limited to false information given either written or verbally at time of registration or time of Bayou Certification, falsification of information listed on registration application or papers, or tampering with and/or altering Breed Registry issued registration papers), or any attempt by an exhibitor to interfere with the judges in the performance of their duties, SHALL BE excluded from competition or exhibition and disciplinary action possibly including but not limited to monetary fine, removal of any "End of Year" points and/or placings, and or suspension or permanent dismissal from the JLGA, will be taken by the JLGA Board of Directors (with a majority) on a case by case basis. **(AMENDED DECEMBER 2009)**

**RULE 3:** Should an exhibitor cause any unnecessary or embarrassing delay in bringing their goats into the show ring, or a goat is unruly and uncontrollable, the Show Secretary or Ring Personnel may exclude them from competition.

**RULE 4:** Exhibitors must show their own goats according to times and places as directed. Classes will be called 3 times announcing class age, exhibitor's name, and name of goat participating in that class.

**FIRST CALL** - Get goats ready for the class.

**SECOND CALL** - Exhibitors and their goats on stand-by in the designated make-up area.

**THIRD CALL** - Exhibitors and their goats to enter the show ring. After 3rd call, ring will be closed and no other participants for that class may enter the ring. The only exception is in the event that the JLGA Show Secretary placed the goat in the wrong class or failed to place the goat in their class upon registration. **(ADDED JUNE 2008)** If time permits classes will be posted prior to start of the show. It is the responsibility of the Exhibitors and their parents to make sure the goats they are exhibiting on that day are listed in their appropriate classes and age classifications.

**AT STATE FAIR OF LOUISIANA SHOW ONLY**, youth also participating in other

State Fair Livestock events and/or Quiz Bowl may get another youth to show their goats while they are participating in these other events. These youth must sign out with time and name of event **(ADDED FEB 2013)** and upon their return to the JLGA Show ring must sign " back in and take their goats back over. If the class is already in progress, youth are to wait till the class is finished before they resume showing their goats. It is the responsibility of that youth and their parents to make sure they have another youth to show their goats and that these youth know which goats go in which classes. **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2011)**

From time to time the JLGA holds shows in conjunction with other associations and with other animal species. At these shows only, youth also participating in the other association's classes and/or the other species classes, may get another youth to show their goats in the JLGA ring, if these classes are going on at the same time. As soon as they can, they are to return to the JLGA ring and resume showing their goats. This notice will be posted at shows that it applies to. **(ADDED APRIL 2013)**

**HARDSHIP CONSIDERATIONS** - If any person wishes to have a "Hardship Consideration" for any JLGA show or event (other than listed above), a request for such must be made in writing at least 14 days prior to the JLGA Show or event the hardship request is for, unless it is an emergency situation, and/or time does not allow for an earlier notice. Hardship request will be addressed and considered on a case by case basis by the Current JLGA Board of Directors at the time the "Hardship" request is made. Written request must include date of show requesting hardship for and detailed reason request is being made, along with complete mailing address, telephone number, and email address in the event any questions need to be asked prior to the decision of the JLGA Board of Directors in this matter. The "Hardship" will be either granted or denied by a majority vote of the JLGA Board of Directors. **(ADDED DECEMBER 2012 "SPECIAL" BOARD MEETING)**

**RULE 5: \*PLEASE NOTE\* (ADDED NOVEMBER 2009)** - There is no age limit on goats shown by an exhibitor in any JLGA shows. However, for safety reasons, please make sure your youth can handle the goat you are allowing them to show. Animals who are continuously unruly, uncontrollable by the exhibitor, or at the discretion of the JLGA Show Personnel are deemed a safety issue, may be dismissed from the ring.

**FIRST OCCURRENCE:** Ring personnel will help where needed and

encourage youth to handle their goat. All goats can have a bad day and youth will be given the benefit of the doubt for the first occurrence. If class can be finished, youth will receive their awards, placement recognitions, and "End of Year" points if eligible. Parents and/or guardians of youth will be informed of situation and this will serve as the 1st and ONLY verbal warning for that goat.

**SECOND OCCURRENCE:** If situation again present within the same year, with the same goat, goat will be dismissed from the ring and will not receive any awards, placement recognition, or "End of Year" point if eligible. Parents and/or guardians will be asked not to bring the goat back during that current show season.

**RULE 6: YOUTH MUST SHOW THEIR OWN GOAT (ADDED NOVEMBER 2010)** - The only exceptions are listed as follows:

- A) When the exhibitor has more than one goat per class, they may ask a sibling or other youth to show their extra goats providing they are in that class at the same time showing their other goat.
- B) As listed in RULE 4 above regarding State Fair & possible "Hardships" awarded or as listed below in Rule 7.

**RULE 7: ASSISTED SHOWING (ADDED NOVEMBER 2010)** - As the JLGA is open to youth ages 2 - 19 years of age as of January 1 of the current show season, the JGLA does not discriminate against age or physical and/or mentally challenged youth, and the JLGA offers their shows as a learning experience, at times there may be youth 8 years and younger or special needs youth at show goats in the regular goat classes. Due to these exhibitor's young age and/or their special needs, as a safety precaution, these youth exhibitors and/or "special needs" exhibitors may have help from a sibling or youth family member or another youth willing to help, as long as that younger or "special needs" youth's goat is in that youth's name, if eligible then that youth will receive the points that their goat earns that day. PeeWee Members who have turned 2 during the show season, may have assistance in the ring as long as it is another youth. **(ADDED JANUARY 2015)**

**(ADDED JAN 2017)** The safety of all JLGA exhibitor is of the utmost importance to the JLGA Board of Directors and Show Personnel. There is no limit on the

age of a goat a youth may show or the size or breed of a goat they choose to show. However the JLGA has quite a few exhibitors under the age of 9 as of January 1 of the year they are showing, for safety reasons may need to be assisted during their goat classes. As per JLGA Rules, that assistance may come from another JLGA youth. From this point on those youth will be referred to as “healers.” Healers duties when helping any youth ages 8 and under as of January 1 of the year they are showing are as follows:

1. Healer are to help lead goats into ring (if needed) and may give verbal assistance and teach younger youth how to set up and exhibit their goats.
2. Healers are to help youth maintain focus on exhibiting their goats till the completion of their current class.
3. If at any time goat becomes to unruly and healer feels that younger youth is in danger of harm, healer may ask youth to step back and they may get goat back under control. When goat is back under control, healer should instruct younger youth to start showing their animal again.

Parent of these younger exhibitors, we ask that you please let us know at time of check-in if your youth will require assistance.

Before the start of each show, an announcement will be made asking for youth volunteers to be “healers” for the younger exhibitors if needed. We will have a brief meeting at the side of the ring with these volunteer “healers” and we also that the parents of any younger youth that may require “healer” assistance to also please attend this brief meeting.

**RULE 8:** ALL goats must be in the care of the exhibitor who is showing them, the only exception is as follows: **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2010)** The average weaning age of a goat is 3-4 months, a few breeders do choose to wean their goats at a later age, due to this reason, a youth may show a goat 0 to under 4 months of age at JLGA Shows only, if it is not in their possession and still in the possession of the original breeder, as long as it is registered in the youth's name. Goats 4 months of age and over must be in the youth's possession and under their care. The only other exception is during breeding due to the fact that some goats are transported to another farm or ranch to outcross breedings.

The JLGA realizes that some of your youth goat exhibitors do not live where they can have livestock, may not have the proper facilities or means to do so to house their animals, and that their animals may be housed at a relative's house, or youth has an extended or separate family where they are still in the youth's name and the youth and their parents and/or guardians are still involved and responsible for the care of those animals. These circumstances are acceptable by the JLGA. **(ADDED JAN 2014)** As long as the youth still is responsible for the care and well being of their animals **(ADDED 11/11/17)**

**THIS PARAGRAPH APPLIES TO JLGA SHOWS ONLY!** The JLGA does not have a possession date. The JLGA does realize that some of the JLGA youth also show their goats at their breed specific sanctioned shows and recognizes their JLGA goat projects as a family project. It is strongly preferred that the JLGA youth are the ones exhibiting their goats at these sanctioned shows, however due to the possibility of their goats residing at another relative's farm or ranch, or at their extended or separate family's farm or ranch, this may not always be possible. Goats JLGA youth are showing in JLGA show, may also be shown in their breed specific sanctioned shows by another adult as long as this adult is a Parent, Adult sibling, Grandparent, Aunt or Uncle, or legal Guardian, as long as the goat(s) are still listed in the youth's name.

**(ADDED JAN 2017)** For JLGA Shows ONLY, Fitting and who is allowed to fit a youth's goat at JLGA shows is defined as follows:

All aspects of grooming including clipping and trimming of hair and trimming of hooves is considered "fitting" at JLGA shows.

Youth, youth's parents, grandparents, siblings, and family members may assist the youth in the fitting of their goat.

Other persons not related to the youth, may teach youth and their family grooming techniques, but should only do so in a teaching manner, so the youth and their family can learn.

At no time is Professional fitting services (paid for services) allowed at JLGA shows. Professional fitting is defined as any grooming including clipping or trimming of hair and including trimming of hooves by another person that is not a youth family member (or another person as defined

above) that are being paid for their “fitting” services.

**Any violation of this rule is subject to disciplinary actions.**

**SECTION 7 - PROTEST & APPEALS: COMPLAINTS** - defined as issues that arise during the show that pertain to the show or classes currently in the ring. If a youth is lodging the complaint, they must be accompanied by their parent or guardian. **(ADDED JAN 2014)**

***PROTEST*** - defined as issues that were not able to be resolved to the satisfaction of the person(s) involved in any complaint after show has completed. If a youth is filing the protest, their parent or guardian must also sign the written protest before it is filed with the JLGA. **(ADDED JAN 2014)**

**RULE 1:** ALL protest must be made in writing and accompanied by a \$50.00 non-refundable protest handling fee. In the event that after proper investigation into the protested situation, it is found to have been an error on the part of the JLGA, then the Protestors \$50.00 handling fee will be refunded. **(ADDED JAN 2014)** The protest must state plainly the cause of the protest and must be filed with the JLGA Show Secretary within 5 hours after the completion of the show. **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2009)**

If at anytime at any JLGA event, a questionable situation arises regarding but not limited to JLGA rules, guidelines, or exhibitors or the goats they are exhibiting, the show will be stopped and the JLGA Board of Directors present will rule with a majority vote according to the current JLGA Show Rules as they pertain to the situation(s) in question. **THIS WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED!**

From year to year before each show season begins, rules will be set and will not be changed until the following year after the conclusion of the present show season and before the start of the next show season, unless some unforeseeable circumstance beyond the JLGA's control arises.

**RULE 2:** No complaints based upon statement that a judge or judges were incompetent or overlooked a goat will be considered. **IT IS THE JUDGES RING ON THE DAY THEY ARE JUDGING AND ALL THEIR DECISIONS ARE FINAL!**

If a parent or youth wishes to speak to the judge, they must first make a request to any of the JLGA Board Members present the day of the show. They **MUST** be

accompanied by a JLGA Board of Directors **AFTER** the conclusion of the champion drive of the class they have questions about. Any youth wishing to talk to the judges about decisions made **MUST** be accompanied by their parents, **NO EXCEPTIONS! (ADDED 11/11/18)**

**RULE 3:** Exhibitors have the right to appeal the decisions of a judge only when it is questioned that the award was given in violation of the rules governing that award or when questioned that the judge's decision was influenced or interfered with.

**RULE 4:** ALL appeals must be made in writing to the JLGA Show Secretary within 5 hours after the conclusion of the show and must contain at least 1 specific charge stating at length all the facts including relation to rules violated and if applicable, names of witnesses and their addresses. The burden of proof lies with the person submitting the complaint or appeal. **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2009)** No protest or appeal filed after 5 hours after the conclusion of a JLGA show or event will be accepted or acted on. Any and all complaints will be logged and addressed at the next Board Meeting.

**RULE 5:** ALL questions of dispute shall be referred to the JLGA Board of Directors whose decision shall be final. **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2011)** It has always been the policy of the JLGA to listen to all comments, complaints, and suggestions, however all must be presented in a timely and non-disruptive manner soon after the situation arises. If there is a problem during a JLGA show such as a missing goat, goats in the wrong class, or other issues that pertain to the show or classes currently in the ring, person addressing the issue must present issue to person at announcer's stand. If issue pertains to class currently in ring, class will be stopped, issue will be addressed, and resolved if possible and ring will resume. Any issue brought in a demanding or disruptive manner may not be addressed.

## **SECTION 8 - SHOWMANSHIP:**

**RULE 1: ALL EXHIBITORS** must use their own goat with the exception of the Newbie and PeeWee Showmanship Classes. ALL exhibitors must show in their appropriate age class (as listed below) as of January 1 of the current show season. Youth may not move to a younger or older age class. **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2009)**

Youth may swap goats after their showmanship class for the showmanship drive, providing they are still using one of their goats and that goat is entered in that day's show. Showmanship classes are judged on the ability of the youth as a show person, not on the goat itself. **(ADDED 01/2018)**

**RULE 2: SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES** - All ages are as of January 1 of the current show season year.

Seniors 19-18-17-16-15

Juniors 14-13-12-11

Beginners 10-9-8-7

PeeWees 6 & under

Newbies 7 to 19 years of age

Example for 2015 - if youth's Birthday is January 2, 2015 and they will be 12, then they were 11 on January 1, 2015 and would compete with the 11 year olds. However if youth's birthday was January 1, 2015 and they turned 12, they would be 12 as of January 1, 2015 and they would compete in the 12 year old class for 2015 and so on for subsequent years.

It is the responsibility of ALL JLGA Exhibitors, their parents and/or guardians to make sure they are showing in the correct Showmanship Class according to their age as listed above. If at anytime it is found that a youth did not compete in the correct age class, according to their DOB listed on their JLGA Membership application, points earned for the incorrect class will be deleted and the matter will be brought to the attention of their parents and/or guardians. **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2011)**

The JLGA realizes that older youth have younger siblings that are anxious to start following in their bigger siblings footsteps. Keeping that in mind, youth who turn 2 after January 1 of the current year they wish to start participating in PeeWee Showmanship and showing, may do so after their second birthday, providing the parents provide them with an age and size appropriate goat. **(ADDED 11/11/17)**

**RULE 3: (ADDED NOVEMBER 2009)** The JLGA realizes that some youth are just starting out (some younger youth and even some older youth) and may not have goats of their own, but wish to participate in showmanship. In an effort not

to leave these youth out, the JLGA will offer the following Showmanship option for these youth:

**NEWBIE SHOWMANSHIP CLASS** - All youth who do not have a goat of their own, but wish to participate in showmanship must compete in this class. This class is also for youth who do own their own goats, but are not yet comfortable enough to compete in the regular age division showmanship classes. All ages will compete together and youth may borrow another youth's goat for this class, even if they own their own goat. This class will be for comments only. No "End of Year" points will be given for participation in this class.

**SECTION 9 - MARKET GOATS:** Due to the economy and expense of replacing market wethers whose teeth fall out prematurely, in JLGA Market Goat Shows, these goats will no longer be mouthed and may compete after they have lost their baby teeth. This applies to JLGA Shows ONLY! **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2011)** For other shows that you plan on attending and participating in their Market Goat Classes, be sure to check with their show personnel for their show specific Market and Show Rules. **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2010)**

Wethers are to be shown at the discretion of the judge regarding bracing, driving, and whether or not the front feet can come off the ground. If the judge states before the start of the show that they don't want the market goat's feet coming up off the ground and during the show they see a wether's front feet leave the ground during driving or bracing, it is at their discretion as to how to handle the situation regarding if they judge the goat or not.

**RULE 1:** Each exhibitor must show his or her own goat. The only exceptions are as listed above in Section 6 Exhibitor's Duties and Privileges **RULE 6. ANY VIOLATION OF THIS RULE, OTHER THAN ABOVE STATED EXCEPTIONS, IS**

**GROUNDS FOR IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION.** If found before completion of championship drive. ALL goats owned by youth violating this rule WILL BE disqualified and any points WILL BE deleted. Registration fees are non-refundable. If found after the completion of the championship drive, ALL premiums, awards, points, and ribbons WILL BE forfeited.

**RULE 2:** All market goats must be disbudded, dehorned, or naturally polled. No disbudding or dehorning allowed on show grounds. Scurs must not exceed 1 inch

in length. **EXCEPTION:** Some states do not require that market goats are dehorned, due to this fact, if an JLGA exhibitor is from out of state and showing their market goats in JLGA shows, they must comply with their state rules and guidelines concerning horns on market goats. **(ADDED JUNE 2008)** In order for out of state youth to go by their state rules regarding horns on market goats, these out of state youth must present their state rules and regulations regarding market goat horns via email to boeredssillygoatranch@hotmail.com at least 48 hours prior to show day they are wishing to show. **(ADDED JAN 2014)**

**RULE 3:** Wether and/or non-bred does are eligible to show. All non-bred does showing as market must also be disbudded or dehorned the same as Market Wethers as stated above. **(ADDED JAN 2014)**

**RULE 4:** Previously NO intact males could be shown as wethers. This rule was changed to the following in May 2014. Male Market Goats under 4 months of age may show intact. At 4 months of age they MUST at least be banded in order to keep showing. At 5 months of age these goats MUST be completely weathered. This also applies to the AOB Companion Wether Class.

**RULE 5:** All market goats will be weighed and classed into 3 divisions.

LIGHT - MEDIUM - HEAVY.

There is no minimum or maximum weight requirements.

Light Weight Classes

Ov and BC Grand and Res Div Champions Chosen

Medium Weight Classes

Ov and BC Grand and Res Div Champions Chosen

Heavy Weight Classes

Ov & BC Grand & Res Div Champions Chosen

Ov & BC Grand & Res Market Goat Champions Chosen

**RULE 6:** Market goats must be slick sheared from the knees up within 14 days of the show date. Including the head, but excluding the tail. This includes non-bred does competing as market goats. Hair length is to be no longer than 1/4 of an inch. **(ADDED JAN 2014)**

**SECTION 10 - COMMERCIAL DOES: (ADDED NOVEMBER 2010) Commercial Does**

are a breeding class and at no time should any breeding goat be driven or braced.

**RULE 1:** ALL Commercial Does MUST have COM tattooed in one ear and DOE in the other. If not tattooed COM DOE, goat is not eligible to be shown. **(ADDED JAN 2017)** With the following exception: Any registered Kinder doe, 4th Generation and below, along with any registered AOB Percentage Does, will be shown in the Commercial Doe Class. These does will be exempt from the JLGA Commercial Doe tattoo rule of “COM” in one ear & “DOE” in the other as they will already have their registry tattoos in their ears.

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to make sure their Commercial Doe is tattooed COM DOE if they wish to compete in the JLGA Commercial Doe Class. Exhibitors will be given until the start of the Commercial Doe Class to get doe tattooed in order to be eligible to compete.

**(ADDED JAN 2017)** As per JLGA rules ALL Commercial Does MUST be tattooed “COM” in one ear and “DOE” in the other in order to show in the JLGA Commercial Doe Class. The JLGA realizes that not all youth have access to tattooing equipment, therefore tattooing of Commercial Does (and registered goats if needed) will be available at all JLGA shows. JLGA Show Personnel request that if you have a goat that needs to be tattooed whether it is a Commercial Doe or any registered goat, please arrive at least one hour prior to check-in time and let show personnel at the scales or at registration desk know you have a goat that needs to be tattooed.

**RULE 2:** Commercial Does do not have to be slick sheared. **(ADDED JUNE 2008)** Unless they are non-bred does also competing in the Market Goat Class. **(ADDED JAN 2014)**

**RULE 3:** Commercial Does may be shown with or without horns. Unless they are non-bred Commercial Does, also competing in the Market Goat Class, then they must be disbudded or dehorned as described above in the Market Goat Section. **(ADDED JAN 2014)**

**RULE 4: COMMERCIAL DOE CLASSES:**

**DOELINGS** Must have all milk teeth.

**YEARLINGS** Must have no more than 4 permanent teeth.

**AGED DOES** More than 4 permanent teeth will be allowed to be shown in this class.

**RULE 5: DOELING CLASS ONLY:** Doelings (must have all milk teeth) will be weighed and classed as LIGHT - MEDIUM - HEAVY. 1st and 2nd Overall and Bayou Certified Placings from each weight category will come back to compete for Doeling champions. **(ADDED DECEMBER 2009)**

Doeling Light Weight Class

Doeling Medium Weight Class

Doeling Heavy Weight Class

Junior Ov & BC Gr & Res Chs Chosen **(ADDED JAN 2014)**

Yearling Doe Class

Aged Doe Class

Senior Ov & BC Gr & Res Chs Chosen **(ADDED JAN 2014)**

Ov & BC Gr & Res Commercial Doe Chs Chosen

**SECTION 11 - BREEDING GOATS:** **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2010)** For all breeding classes, at no time should any breeding goats be driven or braced. This includes AOB Companion Wethers.

Special note regarding Pygmy and Nigerian Dwarfs, due to the small size exhibitors sometimes may gently lift the rear legs off the goat slightly off the ground in order to square them up. Smaller goats may also be picked up for judges examination as the judge's request.

**RULE 1:** ALL goats must have legible tattoos or microchip identification consistent with registration papers or the goat will not be allowed to be shown.

**RULE 2:** ALL registered goats are subject to owner verification. Please see SECTION 2A - Ownership Verification above.

**RULE 3:** ALL Bayou Certified goats are subject to verification. Please see Bayou Certified Rules for complete details. **(ADDED NOVEMBER 2009)** All goats that are eligible that an exhibitor wishes to have Bayou Certified, must be certified before the start of the show and all fees must be paid at time of check-in. Once the shows starts, the Bayou Certification will be closed for that day and no other goats may be Bayou Certified till the conclusion of that day's show.

**RULE 4:** All breeding goats may be shown with or without horns, except when breed standards and/or breed specific sanctioned show ring etiquette dictates otherwise, such as all Dairy Breeds and Pygmy goats.

**RULE 5: BREEDING GOAT CLASSES:**

AOB Bucks  
AOB Does  
Dairy Bucks  
Dairy Does  
Nigerian Dwarf Bucks  
Nigerian Dwarf Does  
Boer Bucks  
Fullblood Boer Does  
Percentage Boer Does  
Pygmy Bucks  
Pygmy Does.

Registered goats are classed by age using their date of birth to determine age by date of show.

**\*Please note** - any breeding doe that has freshened before the age of 12 months as of date of show, will be moved into the 9 to under 12 months freshened class in the Senior Division. This also applies to any Commercial Doelings that have freshened before losing their baby teeth. They will be moved to the Doeling Freshened class in the Senior Commercial Doe Division. These doelings do not have to be weighed.

0 to under 3 months  
3 months to under 6 months  
6 months to under 9 months  
9 months to under 12 months  
    Junior Ov & BC Gr & Res Champions Chosen  
12 months to under 18 months  
18 months to under 24 months  
24 months to under 36 months  
36 months +  
    Senior Ov & BC Gr & Res Champions Chosen

## Ov & BC Gr & Res Show Champions Chosen

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*** There is no age limit on goats shown by an exhibitor, however for safety reasons, please make sure your youth can handle the goat you are allowing them to show. Animals who are continually unruly and uncontrollable by the exhibitor, may be dismissed from the ring. Please see SECTION 6 - RULE 5.

**RULE 6: (ADDED NOVEMBER 2008)** All breeding does should have kidded by the age of 24 months. However sometimes this does not happen with youth exhibitor's show does, due to frequency doe is shown, whether or not she would be TOO heavy bred for certain shows, and various other reason.

In the 24 months to under 36 months class, 36+ class and Aged Commercial Doe class, does should have kidded naturally at least once, or should be showing signs and/or evidence of pregnancy, or exhibit signs of previous kidding. Depending on judge's discretion, does in this class that have not kidded naturally or are not showing any signs of being pregnant or having kidded before, may be placed lower in the class. **JUDGE'S DECISION IS FINAL! No goats will be disqualified.**

### **SECTION 12 - DESCRIPTION OF BOER BREEDING GOAT CLASSES:**

**BOER BUCKS - (CHANGED JAN 2017)** *Due* to the lack of entries in the Boer Bucks Division 1 Percentage Boer Bucks, there will no longer be a Division 1 for Percentage Boer Bucks. Percentage Boer Bucks, as long as they are registered will show with the Fullblood Boer Bucks. Class title will remain "Boer Bucks". These goats may show with or without horns.

**FULLBLOOD BOER DOES** - Boer Does from purebred status up to 100%. Must be registered. May show with or without horns.

**PERCENTAGE BOER DOES** - Boer Does from 50% up to purebred status. Must be registered. May show with or without horns.

**SECTION 12A - AOB BUCKS & DOES:** AOB stands for "Any other Breed." JLGA AOB Buck and Doe Classes are for "Any other Breed" goats EXCEPT Boers, Pygmies, and

Dairy. This is all other meat breeds such as Savannahs, all hair breeds such as Cashmere goats, and all dual purpose goats such as Kinder goats. ALL entries in the JLGA AOB classes must be registered 100% of their respective breeds or must have reached the 5th generation to obtain purebred status of their breed. **(ADDED 11/11/17)**

**(ADDED JAN 2017)** In order for Kinder Goats to be shown in the JLGA AOB Classes, they must be registered 5th Generation or above. Any registered Kinder doe, 4th Generation and below, along with any registered AOB Percentage Does, will be shown in the Commercial Doe Class. These does will be exempt from the JLGA Commercial Doe tattoo rule of "COM" in one ear & "DOE" in the other as they will already have their registry tattoos in their ears.

These goats are to be groomed and shown according to their specific association rules & guidelines.

#### **LIST OF BREEDS THAT MAY BE SHOWN IN THE AOB CLASSES:**

**Angora** - Hair Breed - Must be shown with fleece on. Fleece must be clean and free of mats and tangles without breaking curls. Neatly trimmed around hooves and face. For more information, please visit the American Angora Goat Breeders Association at [www.aagba.org](http://www.aagba.org) or the Colored Angora Goat Breeders Association at [www.cagba.org](http://www.cagba.org)

**Cashmere** - Hair Breed - Must be shown with fleece on. Fleece must be clean and free of mats and tangles without breaking curls. Neatly trimmed around hooves and face. For more information, visit the Canadian Cashmere Producers Association at [www.canadiancashmere.ca](http://www.canadiancashmere.ca) or the Eastern Cashmere Association at [www.eastcashmereassociation.org](http://www.eastcashmereassociation.org) or the Northwest Cashmere Association at [www.newchasmere.org](http://www.newchasmere.org)

**Kiko** - Meat Breed - Neatly trimmed - For more information please visit the American Kiko Goat Association at [www.kikogoats.com](http://www.kikogoats.com)

**Kinder Goats** - Dual Purpose - neatly trimmed - **(ADDED JAN 2017)** Must be 5th Generation registered or above in order to be shown in the AOB Classes. For more information on the Kinder goat, please visit the Kinder Goat Breeders Association at [www.kindergoatbreeders.com](http://www.kindergoatbreeders.com)

**Myotonic - Fainting Goats** - Meat Breed - These goats may show with or

without horns and may be naturally polled or disbudded. Some exhibitors choose to body clip longer haired myotonics to show off muscling and some prefer just to neatly trim around tail and hooves. If longhair, hair must be combed and free of tangles. For more information, please visit the American Fainting Goat Organization at [www.americanfaintinggoat.com](http://www.americanfaintinggoat.com) of the Fainting Goat Guild at [www.faintinggoatguild.com](http://www.faintinggoatguild.com) or the International Fainting Goat Association at [www.faintinggoat.com](http://www.faintinggoat.com) or the Myotonic Goat Registry at [www.myotonicgoatregistry.net](http://www.myotonicgoatregistry.net)

**Savannah** - Meat Breed - Neatly trimmed - For more information, please visit the North American Savannah Goat Association at [www.nasavannahgoatassn.com](http://www.nasavannahgoatassn.com) or Pedigree International at [www.pedigreeinternational.com](http://www.pedigreeinternational.com)

**Spanish** - Meat Breed - Neatly trimmed - For more information please visit Pedigree International at [www.pedigreeinternational.com](http://www.pedigreeinternational.com) or the Spanish Goat Association at [www.spanishgoats.org](http://www.spanishgoats.org)

There may be other breeds that fall under this class that are not listed above. If you have a goat of another breed (other than what is listed above) and you believe that it qualifies to be shown in the AOB classes, please contact Cynthia Hailey - JLGA Adult Secretary at [boeredssillygoatranch@hotmail.com](mailto:boeredssillygoatranch@hotmail.com) or you can message her on Facebook.

**SECTION 12B - AOB DAIRY BUCKS & DOES:** These classes are for Dairy Breeds ONLY as recognized by the American Dairy Goat Association. They must be registered Purebred, American, or Fullblood of their respective breeds. Dairy goats may show with or without horns (CHANGED 03/17) Starting with the 2018 JLGA Show Season any dairy goat showing in ANY JLGA Show or event MUST be either naturally polled, dehorned, or disbudded. This is due to the fact that most dairy goat horns do not curve back like Boer Goat horns and are a potential safety risk. HOWEVER, the follow "Dairy Horn Grandfather" rule will also go into effect starting with the 2018 JLGA Show Season.

1. Any dairy goat born February 14, 2018 or after must be either naturally polled, disbudded, or dehorned to show in any JLGA Dairy Classes. This include the JLGA Nigerian Dwarf classes as well.
2. Any dairy goat born prior to February 14, 2018 or earlier that still has their horns and has been previously shown in any JLGA show, may continue to be

shown with horns in any JLGA show or event per this "Dairy Horn Grandfather" rule.

**(ADDED 01/2018)**

These goats may show with excessive scurs (over 1" on one or both horn areas) however it will be at the judge's discretion whether or not they count the excessive scurs against the goat. **(ADDED JAN 2014)**

**(ADDED JAN 2017)** Due to the lack of entries in the Dairy Buck and Doe Division for Experimental, Grade, and other Dairy Breed not recognized by the American Dairy Goat Association, there will no longer be a Division 1 Dairy Does or Dairy Bucks. Any Experimental, Grade, or any other Dairy Breed not recognized by the American Dairy Goat Association will show in the regular Dairy Buck or Doe classes as long as they are registered.

**2018** JLGA Dairy Classes include the following:

- Dairy Bucks
- Dairy Does
- Nigerian Dwarf Bucks
- Nigerian Dwarf Does

**VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING HAIR LENGTH WHEN SHOWING DAIRY BREEDS WITH THE JLGA: (ADDED NOVEMBER 2011)** Dairy goats are slick sheared due to their very different body styles and more angulation than meat goats and excessive hair length can hide their true frame. However some of the JLGA shows fall in the colder weather months and taking into consideration the health of the JLGA Dairy goats, at certain times of the year the JLGA does not require Dairy Goats to be slick sheared. Therefore there are two JLGA Dairy Hair Rules.

Prior to each show, an announcement will be made on the JLGA Facebook page and on the JLGA website under that show's information as to which rule applies to that show. The rules are as follows: **(AMENDED JAN 2014)**

**Regular Slick Shear Rule** - All dairy goats are to be slick sheared from the hooves up including the head and underneath, leaving a pom on the end of the tail and beards and headpieces on bucks when applicable. Hair length is to be no more than 1/4 inch in length.

**Winter Dairy Rule** - All dairy goats are to be body clipped to a hair length of preferably 1 inch, but no more than 2 inches in length. The only exception to either rule is dairy goats in the 0 to under 3 months class. These dairy goats do not have to be slick sheared at all. They may show naturally due to their young age.

At ALL JLGA Youth Shows, ALL Dairy goats are subject to have their hair length checked. If length is not passable according to the Dairy Rule for that show that day and time permits, exhibitors will be given time to re-groom their goat and be re-checked. Any goat that does not meet hair length requirements may still show, however judge will be made aware of the situation and judge will be asked to place goat at the end of the class line up. **There will be no disqualifications.**

**(AMENDED JAN 2014)** No refunds will be given on any dairy goat that does not have passable hair length for that day's show. These rules apply to JLGA Open Youth Goat Shows ONLY.

It is the exhibitor's & their parents or guardians responsibility to check rules regarding dairy goats grooming with other association shows.

Information on all Dairy Breeds can be found on the American Dairy Goat Association's webpage at [www.adga.org](http://www.adga.org)

**Alpine** - for more information, please visit the Alpine International Club at [www.alpinesinternationalclub.com](http://www.alpinesinternationalclub.com)

**LaMancha** - for more information, please visit the American LaMancha Club at [www.lamanchas.com](http://www.lamanchas.com)

**Nigerian Dwarf** - for more information, please visit the American Nigerian Dwarf Association at [www.andda.org](http://www.andda.org) or the Heartland Nigerian Dwarf Goat Association at [www.hndga.org](http://www.hndga.org) or the Nigerian Dwarf Goat Association at [www.ndga.org](http://www.ndga.org)

**Oberhasli** - for more information, please visit the Oberhasli Breeders of America at [www.oberhasli.net](http://www.oberhasli.net) or the Oberhasli Goat Club at [www.oberhasli.us](http://www.oberhasli.us)

**Saanen** - for more information, please visit the National Saanen Breeders Association at [www.nationalsaanenbreeders.com](http://www.nationalsaanenbreeders.com)

**Sable** - for more information, please visit the International Sable Breeders

Association at [www.sabledairygoats.com](http://www.sabledairygoats.com)

**Toggenburg** - for more information, please visit the National Toggenburg Club at [www.nationaltoggclub.org](http://www.nationaltoggclub.org)

There may be other breeds that fall under this class that are not listed above. If you have a goat of another breed (other than what is listed above) and you believe that it qualifies to be shown in the Dairy classes, please contact Cynthia Hailey - JLGA Secretary at [boeredstillygoatranch@hotmail.com](mailto:boeredstillygoatranch@hotmail.com) or you can message her on Facebook.

**SECTION 12C - PYGMY BUCKS & DOES:** Pygmy goats are a meat breed. All JLGA Pygmy Goat entries must be either disbudded or dehorned. They are to be trimmed neatly. For more information, please visit the National Pygmy Goat Association at [www.mpga-pygmy.com](http://www.mpga-pygmy.com)

Pygmy goats may show with excessive scurs (over 1 inch on one or both horn areas), however it will be at the judge's discretion whether or not they count this against the goat. **(ADDED JAN 2014)**

**SECTION 13 - AOB COMPANION WETHERS:**

**RULE 1:** Open to any other breed wethers **OTHER THAN** Boer or Boer Crosses. This includes all other meat breeds, all dairy breeds, all hair breeds, and all dual purpose breeds.

**RULE 2:** Must be purebred, American, or Fullblood of their respective breeds.  
**NO CROSSBRED WETHERS ALLOWED.**

**RULE 3:** ALL wethers competing in this class **MUST** be registered as a wether and have a wether certificate issued from their respective breed association.

Exhibitors please make sure you are going to wether your bucks before you send in for a wether certificate. Once a wether certificate has been issued, it cannot be changed back to a buck registration and you would not be able to register any kids from that buck.

**RULE 4:** All Dairy Breed and Pygmy wethers must be naturally polled, disbudded, or dehorned. Other breeds may or may not be naturally polled, disbudded, or dehorned. It is at the discretion of the judge as to whether or not

be count off for excessive scurs. Horned wethers in which their breed associations accepts them showing with horns, should not be penalized for such. At time of show, these breeds allowing horns will be brought to the judges attention.

**RULE 5:** ALL Wethers in this class are NOT to be slick sheared. ALL wethers in this class are to be shown with their hair on. Grooming of these wethers should be done according to their specific breed standards. Dairy wethers may be slick sheared, or just body clipped. **(ADDED 11/11/2017)** This is a companion class, not a market class that would be judged for meat yields. Trimming and body clipping is allowed. And is to be judged as such, not as a market class for meat yields. **(ADDED 11/11/2017)**

**RULE 6:** AOB Companion Wethers under 4 months may show intact. However at 4 months of age they **MUST** at least be banded in order to keeping showing. At 5 months of age these goats **MUST** be completely weathered. This also applies to the Market Wether Class.

**RULE 7:** Once uncastrated 0 to under 4 month old AOB males are shown in the AOB Companion wether class, if at a later date the exhibitor wishes to leave that goat intact, they are ineligible to be shown as a buck in any JLGA Class. A 0 to under 3 month old AOB Buck may start out in their JLGA Buck Class and then be switched to the AOB Companion Wether Class but not vice versa.

**RULE 8:** AOB Companion Wethers are shown by age, not weight, and are classed by date of birth using date of show. Classes are as follows:

0 to under 3 months

3 months to under 6 months

6 months to under 9 months

9 months to under 12 months

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12 months to under 18 months

18 months to under 24 months

24 months to under 36 months

36 months +

Sr Div Ov & BC Grand & Reserve Champions Chosen

Ov & BC Gr & Res AOB Companion Wether Ch Chosen

## **SECTION 14 - ADDING AND REMOVING JLGA GOAT CLASSES: (THIS SECTION ADDED 11/11/17)**

The JLGA started out in our beginning with the following classes:

- Market Goats\*
- Commercial Does\*
- Percentage Boer Does
- Fullblood Boer Does
- Fullblood Boer Bucks\*
- AOB Bucks\*
- AOB Does\*

As the interest in other breeds developed and entry increased the following additional classes were added:

- AOB Dairy Bucks
- AOB Dairy Does
- AOB Companion Wethers\*
- Pygmy Bucks
- Pygmy Does
- Nigerian Dwarf Bucks
- Nigerian Dwarf Does

\*Denotes Core Classes that cannot be combined with any other class.

Each year at the end of the show season, all classes with the exception of the core classes will be evaluated to make sure those classes are maintaining the required minimum number of entries to remain separated into their own classes.

The required minimum number of entries for a class to remain separated is an average of **10** entry per class per show during a show season. A total of a minimum of **70** entries for the show season.

Each year classes that drop below that required minimum number, will be put on notice for the upcoming show season year. They will remain in their own class and given the chance to bring the numbers back up to the required minimum number. If the numbers are increased to at least the minimum required number, then they will remain in their own class for the following year. However, if the numbers are not increased to at least the minimum requirements, those classes will be combined back into the core they fit within for the following show season they did not meet minimum requirements.

In order for any breed to be considered to have their own class for the following year, there must be a minimum of 10 entry average per show during the current show season and those entries must be by at least **5** different youth in at least **3** different families. If these requirements are met in one show season, they they will earn their own separate class for the following year, however they will be required to keep those number up in order to maintain their class for the following years.

#### 2018 List of Current JLGA Classes:

- AOB Bucks
- AOB Companion Wethers
- AOB Does
- Boer Bucks
- Commercial Does
- Dairy Bucks
- Dairy Does
- Fullblood Boer Does
- Market Goats
- Nigerian Dwarf Bucks
- Nigerian Dwarf Does
- Percentage Boer Does
- Pygmy Bucks
- Pygmy Does

#### 2018 JLGA Classes that are on notice for this show season:

- Pygmy Bucks