



SC Meat Goat Project

Fitting Contest Rules and Regulations

General Information

1. The contests will be held at the SC Meat Goat Project Summer Clinic.
2. Registration must be completed on the day of the event. Registration/Check-In time will be announced a month before the event. There will be no registration fee.

Contestant Eligibility

1. The contest is open to all SC Meat Goat Project participants.
2. Contestants will be divided into four age divisions:
 - a. Ages 5-8 years old
 - b. Ages 9-10 years old
 - c. Ages 11-13 years old
 - d. Ages 14-18 years old
3. Youth do not have to have a team to compete. The contest will not provide team awards.
4. Each contestant must provide their own clean and unclipped wether or doe for the contest.
5. Each contestant must provide their own stand and grooming equipment.

The Contest

1. All contestants must attend a mandatory meeting prior to the contest beginning.
2. All contestants will be given 15 minutes prior to start time to set up a stand, animal, equipment, and supplies.
3. Each contestant will be given 1 hour to fit their goat. A 30-minute, 15-minute, and 5-minute warning will be provided. At the end of the hour allotted time, clippers down, and work must stop.
4. Adding or gluing on hair is not allowed. An adhesive spray may be used in grooming but not to add hair.
5. During the fitting hour, judges will be walking around to monitor the youth's progress and work. After the allotted hour, judges will conduct a final evaluation of the animal. Contestants will be judged based on the following criteria:
 - a. Grooming style and effectiveness
 - b. Compatibility of the use of various types of grooming equipment and supplies
 - c. The neatness of the individual and their area will be in consideration
 - d. The overall quality of fitting of market wether or doe
6. All contestants, except age 5-8 years old, cannot receive verbal coaching or coaching of any kind during the contest. Contestants ages 5-8 years old can only receive verbal coaching by one parent or coach. All contestants' animals may not be touched or handled by any other contestant or anyone outside of contest officials.

Awards

The awards will be announced after the contest.