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**Georgia National Fair /  
State Market Goat and Lamb Show**

October 3-13, 2024

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## 2024 STATE MARKET LAMB AND GOAT SHOWS

### October 3-6, 2024

#### Wednesday, October 2, 2024

4:00 p.m.                      Barns open for goats, sheep & cattle (tack & livestock)  
 8:00 p.m.                      Barns Close.

#### Thursday, October 3, 2024

8:00 a.m.                      Barn Opens for Goats. (Early arrival for Sheep available.)  
 10:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.      Market Goat Weigh-in- New South Arena  
 2:00 p.m.                      All Market Goats must be in the barn.  
 5:00 p.m.                      Market Goat Showmanship Grades, (6th –12th grade),  
    Followed by Master 4-H and Supreme FFA Showmanship  
 8:00 p.m.                      Lamb and Ewe Barn Closed, no arrivals after 8:00 pm



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#### Friday, October 4, 2024

8:00 a.m.                      Barn opens for Lamb and Ewe arrival  
 8:00 a.m.                      Market Goat Showmanship – New South Arena, 1st-5th,  
    Followed by County Groups/Breeders Groups  
    Followed by \*Market Goat Show - Wether Classes – New South Arena  
 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.      GNFA Breeding Ewe check in – Swine/Sheep #2  
 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.      Market Lamb Weigh in – Swine/Sheep #2  
 2:00 p.m.                      All Market Lambs & Breeding Ewes must be in the barn.  
 \*\*5:00 p. m.                      \*GNF Breeding Ewe & Junior Wether Dam Breeding Doe Show, New South Arena

#### Saturday, October 5, 2024

8:00 a.m.                      Market Goat Show (continued with Doe Classes) - New South Arena  
 \*\*Noon                          Market Lamb First Year Exhibitor Show – New South Arena  
 \*\*2:00 p.m.                      Market Lamb Showmanship (grades 1 – 12) – New South Arena  
    Master 4-H Showmanship/Supreme FFA Showmanship  
    County Groups/Breeders Groups

#### Sunday, October 6, 2024

9:00 a.m.                      Market Lamb Show (Ewes followed by wethers) – New South Arena

\*Market Goat Wether Classes will be shown on Friday after Market Goat Showmanship. This will start 15 minutes after the last Goat Showmanship class.  
 \*\*will start 15 minutes following previous show.



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## Market Goats



- Goats WILL NOT be allowed to show in both the market goat show and the hair doe (wether dam) show at the Georgia National Fair, exhibitors must choose one.
- A new rule will be implemented in the goat show that reads “Hair on market goats must not exceed 1/2” above the knee or hock. Animals with hair longer than 1/2” above the knee or hock at the time of the show will be disqualified”.
- Goats and does will be stalled in the upper barn (West of NSA / Sheep and Swine 1)



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## Market Lambs



- Lambs WILL NOT be allowed to show in both the market lamb and breeding ewe show at the Georgia National Fair, exhibitors must choose one.
- The market lamb show will separate ewes and wethers this year with each having their own Top 5.
- Lambs and ewes will be stalled in the lower barn (East of NSA / Sheep and Swine 2)



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February 19-22, 2025

**Georgia**  
Junior National  
**Livestock Show**



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**2025 GEORGIA NATIONAL JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW**  
**February 18-23, 2025**

**Tuesday, February 18, 2025**  
4:00-10:00 p.m. All barns open full move in (animals and tack)

**Wednesday, February 19, 2025**  
8:00 a.m. All barns open  
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Unloading and Penning of Market Hogs  
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Pick up weight cards for hogs  
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Beef Heifer and Market Beef check-in – Sutherland Arena  
4:00 p.m. Stock Show U Beef Fitting Clinic followed by Beef Fitting Contest - Practice Ring #3  
4:00 p.m. All hogs, heifers, and steers must be weighed and in place  
Following Fitting Contest GDYF Dress-A-Cow Contest- Foster Rhodes Arena

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**Thursday, February 20, 2025**

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|---------------------------|---|
| 8:00 a.m.                 | Swine Showmanship (Grades 12th-9th, 3rd-8th) – New South Arena<br>FFA Supreme & Master 4-H Showmanship Competition  |
| 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.    | Turn in Market Barrow weight cards – New South Arena  |
| 8:00 a.m.                 | Cattle Showmanship (Heifer and Steer Combined)<br>(Grades 4th-12th, odd grades – Ring 1 even grades – Ring 2, 2 judges) – Sutherland Arena<br>Master 4-H & FFA Supreme Showmanship Competition- Sutherland Arena<br>County Groups (Combined Heifer and Steer)- Sutherland Arena<br>Breeders Groups (Combined Heifer and Steer)-Sutherland Arena<br>Beef Heifer Show (breeds will be announced after entry deadline) |
| 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.    | Breeding Doe check-in/weigh-in – Practice ring #2   |
| 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.     | Commercial Dairy Heifer check-in / weigh-in – Foster Rhodes Arena   |
| 2:00 p.m.                 | Breeding Doe Showmanship (Grades 6th-12th, 1st-5th) followed by County & Breeders Groups  |
| 3:00 p.m.                 | Stock Show U Doe Fitting Clinic followed by Doe Fitting Contest – Practice Ring #2  |
| 4:00 p.m.                 | Stock Show U Dairy Fitting Clinic followed by Dairy Fitting Contest – Practice Ring #3  |
| Following Fitting Contest | GDYF Dress-A-Cow Contest- Foster Rhodes Arena   |
| 7:30 p.m.                 | Student Spotlight Recognition at Rodeo  |



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**Friday, February 21, 2025**

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|------------------------|---|
| 8:00 a.m.              | Market Barrow Show (Purebreds followed by Crossbreds) – New South Arena<br>Beef Heifer Show resumes – Sutherland Arena                    |
| 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | Turn in Market Gilt weight cards – New South Arena  |
| 8:00 a.m.              | Breeding Doe Show – Perdue Arena  |
| 9:00 a.m.              | Dairy Heifer Showmanship (Grades 4th-12th) – Foster Rhodes Arena<br>Master 4-H & FFA Supreme Showmanship Competition- Foster Rhodes Arena |
| 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. | Breeding Ewe check-in – Practice ring #2  |
| 30 min after Doe Show  | Breeding Ewe Showmanship (Grades 6-12th followed by Master 4H and Supreme FFA, and breeder and county groups)                             |
| 3:00 p.m.              | Stock Show U Ewe Fitting Clinic followed by Ewe Fitting Contest – Practice Ring #2  |

**Saturday, February 22, 2025**

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| 8:00 a.m. | Market Gilt Show (Purebreds followed by Crossbreds) – New South Arena  |
| 8:30 a.m. | Breeding Ewe Show- Perdue Arena<br>Showmanship (1st-5th) followed by breed/weight classes                        |
| 8:00 a.m. | First Year Market Beef Show– Sutherland Arena<br>Market Beef Show (Heifers followed by Steers)- Sutherland Arena |
| 8:00 a.m. | Commercial Dairy Heifer Show – Foster Rhodes Arena<br>County Group of 5  |

**Sunday, February 23, 2025**

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| 12:00 Noon | All animals must be out of the barns by noon. |
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## General Rules

- For the GJNLS in Feb, we will have a full move in (animals and tack) on Tuesday 4-10PM.
- All exhibitors are encouraged to bring original registration papers to check in. In place of original papers, an exhibitor can log onto the breed association website to verify registration of an animal as long as all required information is visible. Photos or copies of papers will not be accepted. Animals without proper registration information that leave registration **WILL NOT** be allowed to return later to check in.



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## Market Hogs

- Exhibitors can now enter up to TEN pigs in the show but can only bring TWO to the show.
- The weight range for market hogs will now be 215 – 290 lbs, effective immediately.
- Berkshire has been added to the recognized breeds in the purebred market hogs



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## Beef Cattle

- A “Slick Shear” division will be added to the steer show.



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## Slick Steer Show

- Classes within the slick shear division will be broken by weight, there will be no breeds recognized.
- Steers must be shorn, leaving no more than  $\frac{1}{4}$ " of hair on any part of the body (this includes ears, legs, and feet) except the tail switch. The tail switch should not extend beyond 12 inches above the end of the tail cartilage.  
Recommend Clipper Blades: Andis #5FC, Oster A5 #5 Skiptooth, or a Narrow Blade with a guide size of  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch length.
- The use of various materials such as painting, powdering, artificial coloring, adhesives, and similar substances is strictly forbidden. Application of graphite, hair, cotton twine, or any similar elements is also prohibited.



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## Breeding Does

- The schedule for breeding does has been modified to the following:
  - Check-in on Thursday from 9-12. Showmanship will begin at 2 followed by county and breeder's groups
  - Weight classes will begin on Friday at 8 AM



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## Breeding Ewes

- The schedule for breeding ewes has been modified to the following:
  - Check-in on Thursday from 10-1. 6-12th Grade showmanship will be on Friday night following the doe show
  - Weight classes will begin at 8:30 AM on Saturday



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## Dairy Cattle

- Schedule change to the following:
  - Thursday 1-4 PM - Dairy Check-In
  - Friday 9 AM – Dairy Showmanship
  - Saturday 9 AM – Dairy Show



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## Georgia National Fair

October 3-13, 2024

- Market Hogs, Breeding Gilts, Breeding Ewes, Wether Dam Does, Beef Cattle and Dairy Cattle
- Official Rulebook out June 1
  - <https://www.georgianationalfair.com/p/livestock/livestock-competitions>
- Wether Dam Breeding Doe Show
- Bred and Owned Heifers
- Slick Steer Show
- Entry deadline - September 1
- Agents verify entries (4-H'er eligibility)



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### ORDER FORM FOR EAR TAGS

*(To be ordered by County Agents or Agriculture Education Teachers)*

Please send the order below to:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY/CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_ Circle one: 4-H or FFA

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

UPS ADDRESS (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

| SHOW NAME   | LAST DATE FOR SHIPPING | NO. TAGS REQUESTED | AMOUNT DUE |
|---|------------------------|--------------------|------------|
| 2024 STATE LAMB EAR TAGS @ \$1.50 EACH (Yellow)                                   | 7/22/24                |                    |            |
| 2024 STATE MARKET GOAT @ \$1.50 EACH (Yellow)                                     | 7/22/24                |                    |            |
| 2025 STATE COMMERCIAL HEIFER and MARKET BEEF SHOW EAR TAGS @ \$1.50 EACH (Yellow) | 10/24/24               |                    |            |
| 2025 STATE COMMERCIAL DAIRY HEIFER SHOW EAR TAGS @ \$1.50 EACH (White)            | 11/07/24               |                    |            |
| 2025 STATE MARKET HOG SHOW EAR TAGS @ \$1.50 EACH (Pink-Yellow)                   | 11/23/24               |                    |            |
| 2025 COMMERCIAL BREEDING EWE SHOW EAR TAGS @ \$1.50 (Yellow)                      | 11/23/24               |                    |            |
| 2025 BREEDING DOE SHOW EAR TAGS @ \$1.50 (Yellow)                                 | 11/23/24               |                    |            |
| TOTAL AMOUNT DUE  |                        |                    |            |

\* No tags will be mailed after the show specific date above. Any orders for tags within one week of the entry deadline must be picked up at the Rhodes Animal & Dairy Science Building in Athens.



**Animals must be tagged on or before the entry deadline!**

Order all of the above ear tags: State Show Manager  
Rhodes Animal & Dairy Science Center  
University of Georgia  
Athens, GA 30602-2771

Make checks or money orders to Georgia Junior Livestock Shows (DO NOT SEND CASH).

## Reminders



- Utilize entry cards to collect info but online printed entry form is to be signed and mailed in with payment
- Send at each deadline – don't hold for weeks
- Verify, verify, verify
- Collect Med Forms and COC
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## Reminders

- Remind families of Ethics Policy and GNFA rules
  - NO alcohol during junior shows
  - Updated golf cart policies
  - Signage with security contact

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|              |                          | State Ear Tag                         | Registration # | Registration and Tagging Deadline | When is State Show? | Age Restrictions   | Weight Restrictions   |
|--------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--|---|
| <b>Sheep</b> |                          |                                       |                |                                   |                     |  |   |
|              | Market Lamb – Ewe/Wether | YES<br>**must also have scrapie tag** | NO             | August 1                          | GNF in October      |  | Must weight a minimum if 75 lbs.<br>Hair sheep at least 60 lbs. |
|              | Commercial Breeding Ewe  | YES                                   | NO             | December 5                        | GJNLS in February   |  |   |
|              | Registered Breeding Ewe  | NO                                    | YES            | December 5                        | GJNLS in February   |  |   |
| <b>Goats</b> |                          |                                       |                |                                   |                     |  |   |
|              | Market Goat – Doe/Wether | YES<br>**must also have scrapie tag** | NO             | August 1                          | GNF in October      |  | Must be a minimum of 40 lbs.                                    |
|              | Commercial Breeding Doe  | YES                                   | NO             | December 5                        | GJNLS in February   |  | Must be 40 – 180 lbs.   |
|              | Registered Breeding Doe  | NO                                    | YES            | December 5                        | GJNLS in February   | Must be younger than 2 years as of February 1 of show year |   |

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|                    |                              | State Ear Tag | Registration # | Registration and Tagging Deadline | When is State Show? | Age Restrictions                                | Weight Restrictions                             |
|--------------------|------------------------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---|---|
| <b>Hogs</b>        |                              |               |                |                                   |                     |   |   |
|                    | Crossbred Barrow / Gilt      | YES           | NO             | December 5                        | GJNLS in February   |   | 215 – 290 lbs.                                  |
|                    | Registered Barrow / Gilt     | YES           | YES            | December 5                        | GJNLS in February   |   | 215 – 290 lbs.                                  |
| <b>Beef Cattle</b> |                              |               |                |                                   |                     |   |   |
|                    | Market Beef – Steer / Heifer | YES           | NO             | November 1                        | GJNLS in February   |   | Steers – min 950 lbs.<br>Heifers – min 850 lbs. |
|                    | Registered Breeding Heifer   | NO            | YES            | November 1                        | GJNLS in February   | Must be born by Jan 1 of two years prior        |   |
|                    | Commercial Breeding Heifer   | YES           | NO             | November 1                        | GJNLS in February   | Must be born by Jan 1 of two years prior        |   |
| <b>Dairy</b>       |                              |               |                |                                   |                     |   |   |
|                    | Commercial Dairy Heifer      | YES           | NO             | November 15                       | GJNLS in February   | Born between Mar 1 and Sept 30 of previous year | 250 – 850 lbs.                                  |

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# Questions

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