

# Goat Clipping Competition

## Competition Checklist



### Before the Competition:

1. Form a committee of 4-6 people who can be present for the duration of the competition.
2. Ensure you have the following in the competition area:
  - a. A space for storing feed and bedding
  - b. Adequate power source and lighting
  - c. A table for supplies
3. Arrange for a judge who is knowledgeable with clipping, conformation and showmanship. They should be able to give helpful suggestions in the concluding segment of the event. Provide them with a copy of the competition rules, time, date and place of competition. Suggestions for judges - past 4-H members, leaders, farmers, etc. The judge can either be paid by county council or you may give them a gift. Meals for the judge, if necessary, are also up to the county.
4. Your Regional Program Coordinator can provide you with a list of team numbers at least one week prior to the competition.
5. Ensure you have bedding for the animals. You must provide it; however, the members look after their animals as it's part of their score.
6. Designate an area for the clipping animals to be penned.
7. Prepare duplicate (1 for each team member) back numbers for competitors. Assign each team a number and record it on their score sheet in place of their name.
8. Bring paper and tags/numbers to enable the draw for the goats to take place and ensure you have a person present to make the draw happen.

### Supplies provided by the organizing committee:

- An extra goat in case one of the goats drawn has to be disqualified due to sickness or injury.
- Score sheets and report cards for each team
- Materials to make the draw.
- Provide bedding for the animals. The members are responsible to look after their own.
- Back numbers for competitors
- Pens and pencils

### Day of the Draw:

1. Coordinate the arrival of the goats.
2. Ensure that one of your committee members is present to make sure the draw takes place.
3. Bring tags or numbers for members to draw an animal.
4. Record each team's animal.

### Day of the Competition:

1. Arrive at the competition area at least 30 minutes before the competition begins.
2. Have at least three people on your committee to supervise the competition. They should know the rules and be available to assist the judge.
  - People to ensure there is supervision of the competition.

- One person to ensure the draw is done.
  - One person to be the 'go for' in case of problems, questions, etc.
3. Collect the table and other supplies required
  4. Collect the clerking envelope with the result sheet from your Regional Program Coordinator.
  5. Be sure the judge is present 15 minutes before the competition to review the rules and expectations of the judge. Remind them that they can ask both participants oral questions if more information or clarification of the written report is needed. They are not required to be present for the draw.
  6. Check off county teams and give them their report cards, back numbers, and rules.
  7. Organizers of the competition must ensure that all animals do not exhibit signs of illness, contagious diseases, that they meet the requirements of the competition, i.e. required age range, no horns, hair growth, etc., and do not pose a safety concern.
  8. Ensure all goats are fed, watered and cleaned out while at the show. Members are responsible for their own as part of their score. **If there are extra, ensure a committee person is responsible for that one.**
  9. Assist judge with totaling scores
  10. Record results on clerking sheets and return to your Regional Program Coordinator.
  11. Clean up the competition area and ensure the members have cleaned out their pens after the animals are removed from the area.

#### After the Competition:

1. Write a letter to the judge thanking them for their services.
2. After the event write to all who donated supplies thanking them for their donation.
3. Record recommendations for another year, including any problems encountered and forward this to your Regional Program Coordinator.