



## 2026-2027 RULES & GUIDELINES

*\* NEW ITEMS listed in red \**

### Eligibility:

1. Youth exhibitors must be a paid/active member of Georgia 4-H or Georgia FFA.
2. Exhibitors must be active members with GCGPA and indicate such by checking “YES” on the State Show entry form in order to exhibit goats in the GCGPA Georgia Born & Bred division at the State Market Goat/Breeding Doe shows. Refer to numbers 3, 4, and 5 in the ‘Eligibility’ section of the 2026-2027 GCGPA Rules & Guidelines Document (below) to understand what it means to be an active member with GCGPA.
3. Annual Membership: An Annual Membership is required to be an active Exhibitor Member and/or Breeder Member of GCGPA. A complete and signed GCGPA Annual Membership Form must be on file with GCGPA and the annual membership fee of \$50 must be paid to GCGPA to be considered ‘active.’ *All Breeder Memberships will be due on The Show Portal by June 1st annually.*
4. Exhibitor/Goat Enrollment: Exhibitor/Goat Enrollment is SEPARATE from the Annual Membership. A GCGPA Exhibitor/Goat Enrollment Form and corresponding goat enrollment fees are due at the beginning of each season in coordination with that season’s State Show tagging deadline - (current deadlines: Market Goat - 8/1 & Breeding Doe - 12/5). On the Exhibitor/Goat Enrollment, exhibitors nominate their goats to be enrolled with GCGPA. Complete scrapie tags, including the breeder prefix, must be indicated on the Exhibitor/Goat Enrollment, and the corresponding enrollment fees must be paid to GCGPA for each goat. Enrollment fees are \$15 for Wethers and \$30 for Does. If does are enrolled as Market Does (by the 8/1 deadline) their enrollment also covers Breeding Doe Season under the same exhibitor, as long as the exhibitor maintains his/her annual membership. Only new does or does that change exhibitors will need to be enrolled for the Breeding Doe Show Season for a fee of \$30/doe. If a doe changes exhibitors within the same household membership a new enrollment fee is not required, simply contact GCGPA to change the exhibitor.

5. Breeders must reside in the state of Georgia and be an active member with GCGPA for exhibitors to enroll the breeders' Georgia Born & Bred goats. To be considered an active member, a breeder must fulfill the requirements of the GCGPA Annual Membership as outlined in Number 3 in the 'Eligibility' section of the 2026-2027 GCGPA Rules & Guidelines Document (above). *If the Breeder Address and the physical location of goats differ, the breeder will be responsible for notifying GCGPA of this differential. This includes dams and offspring. All GCGPA Breeder Members are subject to site visits by the Board of Directors.*

6. Dam of enrolled goat(s) must have been owned by a GCGPA Breeder Member at the time of conception and the dam (this includes recipients) must have given birth in the state of Georgia. If dam of enrolled goat(s) has multiple owners, all owners must be GCGPA Breeder Members. GCGPA goats must also be raised in the state of Georgia. A goat that was born from a dam that was purchased as a bred doe from an out of state breeder of that pregnancy is NOT eligible for GCGPA, even if the goat was born in Georgia. Goats enrolled in GCGPA must have a certified breeder scrapie tag at the time the goat is shown, and the tag number must match that which is indicated on the Exhibitor/Goat Enrollment. *It is the responsibility of the Breeder Member to identify eligible GCGPA goats to potential customers/exhibitors.*

7. GCGPA reserves the right to disqualify any Exhibitor Member or Breeder Member for failure to abide by the rules and guidelines set forth in the 2026-2027 GCGPA Rules & Guidelines document, the Exhibitor/Goat Enrollment Form, and the Annual Membership Form. *GCGPA also reserves the right to disqualify members due to unethical behavior or behavior that reflects poorly on the GCGPA. This includes, but is not limited to, failure to abide by rules & guidelines, unethical treatment of animals, disrespectful behavior toward show officials, dishonesty, or poor sportsmanship.*

8. Ensure that you (and your Extension Agent or FFA Advisor) check the GCGPA GBB "YES" box on the State Show entry forms. When your Extension Agent or FFA Advisor informs you a few days after the State Show entry deadline that all entries are linked on the Georgia 4-H website for review, please check your goat entries and verify your GCGPA enrolled goats are notated as GCGPA GBB/Georgia Born and Bred. If they are not notated correctly, contact your Extension Agent or FFA Advisor immediately.

9. All Memberships and Goat Enrollments must be completed through The Show Portal. A direct link to Membership and Enrollment will be pinned on the GCGPA Facebook Page. No hand written forms or mailed fees will be accepted.

### **Goat Nominations:**

1. There is no limit to the number of goats that one individual can enroll.

2. Exhibitors must enroll the goat by full scrapie tag number (including breeder prefix) via the GCGPA Exhibitor/Goat Enrollment no later than August 1st for Market Season and December 5th for Breeding Doe Season in order to be eligible to exhibit animals in the GCGPA Georgia

Born & Bred Divisions within the State Shows. These deadlines currently match the State Show entry deadline and is subject to adjust IF the State Show entry deadline changes.

3. Market Wether Enrollment Fees are \$15 and ALL Does are \$30. Doe enrollment may be paid at the beginning of Market Season (deadline August 1) and carry over into Breeding Doe Season under the same exhibitor, as long as the exhibitor maintains his/her annual membership. Only new does or does that change exhibitors will need to be enrolled for the Breeding Doe Show Season (deadline December 5) for a fee of \$30/doe. *Any enrollments or memberships submitted after the Market/Breeding deadlines may be subject to late fees.*

*4. The Show Portal will close 1 week prior to each state show.*

*NOTICE: The GCGPA is implementing a validation system to preserve the integrity of the mission of the association and its membership. The BREEDER/EXHIBITOR of the Top 5 in the 2026 state shows will be asked to provide documents proving eligibility (ie - photos, proof of purchase, AI or ET technician forms). Further validation practices will be implemented throughout the 2026-2027 season.*

### **Show Eligibility:**

1. GCGPA will sponsor premiums and prizes for the GCGPA Georgia Born & Bred division incorporated within both State Goat Shows (Market Goat & Breeding Doe). Prizes will be awarded for top 3 GCGPA GBB placings in class, top 3 GCGPA GBB in each division, and the Top 5 Overall GCGPA GBB goats of the State Shows.

2. GCGPA does not currently sponsor any county, regional or jackpot shows that include Georgia Born & Bred Divisions. Therefore, shows are encouraged to host their own Georgia Born & Bred Divisions.

3. Both the breeder of the goat and the exhibitor of the goat must be in good standing with GCGPA in order for the goat to be exhibited in the GCGPA Georgia Born & Bred division at the State Market Goat/Breeding Doe shows. This includes the Annual Membership Form and fee (\$50) and Exhibitor/Goat Enrollment and fees (\$15 per head for wethers/\$30 per head for does).

*4. The Top 5 Premiums will not be paid to exhibitors until all post show drug testing has been completed or deemed unnecessary. If there are disqualifications post state show GCGPA reserves the right to not act in tandem with state show rules and/or decisions.*