## **Junior Meat Goat Show Circuit 2017 Membership Guidelines**

- 1. JMGSC is open to all youth meat goat exhibitors residing in Texas.
- 2. The member must have not exceeded the age of 19. (no minimum age)
- 3. A member that has graduated from high school will be eligible to receive points for exhibiting at sanctioned shows up to September 1<sup>st</sup> following May graduation of that calendar year. (This is dependent on the rules of each show.)
- 4. The JMGSC will divide the membership into 3 age divisions: Junior (9 years & younger); Intermediate (10-13 years of age); and Senior (14-19 years of age). All ages will be determined as of January 1, 2018, for the 2017 show season.
- Members in the Junior Division will not receive points from any of the Major Stock Shows, including Ft. Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo, Houston, Austin & the State Fair of Texas.
  - \*\*Participation of exhibitors under the age of 9 or below the 3rd grade will be dependent on the rules of each show\*\*
  - (i.e. Major Livestock Shows do not allow exhibitors under the age of 9 to show in the Junior Market Goat Show)
- 6. The JMGSC will divide the showmanship divisions into 3 age divisions: Junior Division (9 years and younger); Intermediate (10-13 years of age); and Senior Division (14-19 years of age).
- 7. The JMGSC point system will be used to determine the ranking of each exhibitor within each division. The total number of entries within their respective class will determine the number of points an exhibitor receives for an individual entry. The total number of goats in the show will determine Grand and Reserve Grand Champion points.
- 8. A member will receive points on a <u>maximum of 5 goats per show</u> (the top five placing entries).
- 9. Members must exhibit his or her own goats unless exhibiting more than one goat in a single class. Exhibitor must exhibit his or her own goat in the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion class unless exhibiting more than one goat in that class.
- 10. All show results received by the JMGSC will be final. There will be no changes made whatsoever!
- 11. The JMGSC will not establish general rules for each sanctioned show. Each sanctioned show must establish its own set of general rules and the show superintendent will strictly enforce those rules. HIS/HER JUDGMENT IS FINAL!
- 12. Each member of the JMGSC will pay an annual membership fee of \$35.00. Members will be awarded points after <u>dues</u> are paid, NOT before. <u>The date dues and fully completed membership forms are received by the JMGSC Executive Secretary</u> will determine the date of membership. You will receive 5 points for entering and 5 extra bonus points if dues are received by January 31, 2017. Postmarked dates will NOT be accepted.
- 13. The 2017 show season will start immediately following the conclusion of the Sandhills Livestock Meat Goat Show 1/8/17.
- 14. The top ten exhibitors at the end of the show year in each age division (show and showmanship, with showmanship being the top twelve highest scoring shows) will receive an award. An exhibitor must earn at least 1 point in competition in a division in order to be qualified to receive a Top Ten award in that division.

The Champion and Reserve exhibitors in each age division will receive an award.

The overall top highest scoring exhibitors in the Junior, Intermediate and Sr. divisions (show and showmanship combined) will receive the Overall High Point award designated by the board for that year.

To qualify for the Overall High Point placings and awards, an exhibitor must have received both show and showmanship points in competition. The Showmanship division will be determined by each exhibitor's top twelve highest scoring Showmanship shows. One Overall High Point award will be awarded to the highest overall exhibitor from the Jr. division.

One Overall High Point award will be awarded to the highest overall exhibitor from the Intermediate division. One Overall High Point award will be awarded to the highest overall exhibitor from the Sr. division.

The members that win the Overall High Point Award in their age division will not be eligible to win the Overall High Point Award in that age division again, but may still participate in the Top Ten. In other words, you cannot win High Point Overall in the same age division more than once. In the event of a tie for the Overall High Point award, the exhibitor with the most show placing points (not showmanship points) will be declared the winner. If show placing points are tied, the award will be divided among the tied exhibitors and these exhibitors will be eligible to win the award in subsequent years.

- 15. The end of the year Awards Banquet will be held in July at San Angelo.
- 16. Points will be awarded to members placing at the State Fair of Texas, and the Sandhills, Ft. Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo, Houston, and Star of Texas Livestock Shows. Placings awarded points will be those as placed by the respective shows regardless of the number in the class.
- 17. The JMGSC organization reserves the right to not sanction and/or to not tabulate placings for points submitted by a show or not yet submitted by a show.
- 18. The JMGSC Directors strongly suggest that JMGSC members own and care for his/her own goats. Directors and membership of the JMGSC discourage unethical ownership and care.
- 19. Exhibitors and parents should always conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner. Infractions of this rule may cause immediate termination of membership by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.
- 20. The Directors of the JMGSC will act upon rule considerations or changes.