

# 2016 IMGA Youth Points Chase Program

Passion, hard work and dedication are just a few skills that IMGA junior members learn through their experiences at goat shows. From fitting to friendly competition, these youth develop skills that mold them into leaders. The IMGA Youth Points Chase is an opportunity for additional recognition and rewards exclusively for junior members of the Iowa Meat Goat Association.

The 2016 Youth Points Chase Program begins January 1, 2016 and ends on November 1, 2016.

Sanctioned shows and current points to date will be listed on the Iowa Meat Goat Association website ([www.iowameatgoat.com](http://www.iowameatgoat.com)). Members should check the website frequently for updates.

This year there will be two divisions (junior and senior) and three classes in each division; market goats, breeding goats and showmanship. Points will be counted and awarded in each class and at the end of the year, winners will be recognized at the IMGA fall banquet.

## **Sanctioned Shows**

To qualify as a sanctioned show, a show must provide market classes, breeding classes and showmanship classes. If the participating show is a two day show, showmanship is only required on one of the two days.

Each show will set its own rules for class sizes, weight or age breaks for market and breeding classes. Please follow IMGA breaks for showmanship.

Sanctioned shows must be open to any IMGA youth member.

Notify IMGA secretary, Chris Grier at [christine-grier@uiowa.edu](mailto:christine-grier@uiowa.edu) to participate in the YPC.

Show results need to include the exhibitors' first and last name and are due within 14 days after the date of show. Please send results to [christine-grier@uiowa.edu](mailto:christine-grier@uiowa.edu).

Thank you for your support of the IMGA Youth Points Chases Program.

## **IMGA Youth Members**

Participants must be current members of IMGA as a family membership, farm membership or a junior member in good standing. All IMGA youth are automatically enrolled in the YPC.

Youth must be 18 years of age and under as of January 1, 2016. There is no minimum age.

Youth members or their immediate family must own the animal being shown. If a complaint or question is made regarding ownership of animal, a committee will be appointed to investigate. If committee finds member not abiding by ownership rule, all acquired points will be forfeited.

Youth must physically show the goat. No substitute show person allowed.

All youth members and their families are expected to conduct themselves appropriately, failure to do so will result in forfeiture of all points.

## **Divisions**

- **Junior division** will be ages 13 and under. The junior winners of the 2015 YPC will automatically be placed in the senior division the following year.
- **Senior division** will be ages 14 through 18.

## Classes

### **Market Goats**

- Bracing market goats is at the discretion of the participating show and judge.
- Showing market does in same class with market wethers is at the discretion of participating show.
- Market does are not eligible to receive points in the Breeding Goat Class.
- Market animals must be listed as shown by youth member to qualify for points.

### **Breeding Goats**

- Youth can show bucks or breeding does. Doe may be in full blood, percentage or commercial does classes in a participating show.
- The bucks or does must be listed as shown by youth member to qualify for points.

### **Showmanship**

- Showmanship will be divided into classes based on age as of January 1, 2016
  - Pee Wee (8 & under)
  - Junior (9-13)
  - Senior (14-18)
- Points will be given in each age division.
- The number of placing's awarded is at the discretion of the participating show.
- Points will be awarded as followed:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> = 12 points
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> = 10 points
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> = 8 points
- All points earned throughout entire show season are included in the showmanship chase point total.

### ***Points are earned on the following basis:***

Points for only two highest placing animals will be recorded for youth member at any one show.

Only the top five points total in each class for the season will be counted for the youth member, but IMGA encourages the youth to show in as many shows as they like.

Points for year-end awards will be calculated for each division and each class for the top four participants.

Points are awarded to the youth member not the animal.

At each show, youth will receive points for the position they are placed regardless the number of participating YPC.

Class placing: 1<sup>st</sup> - 5 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> - 3 points, 4<sup>th</sup> - 2 points, 5<sup>th</sup> -1 point; in addition to points in each class; Division Champions - 5 points, Reserve Division Champion - 3 points; Overall Grand Champion - 15 points, Reserve Overall Champion - 10 points.

In the event of a tie for overall points placing, one bonus point will be awarded for every show the youth participates in showmanship.

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