

The Kentucky Elite Replacement Doe Sale

Requirements for Consignment and Sale

Saturday May 22, 2010

Starting Time: 1:00 P.M.

Purpose of Sale

Purpose of this sale is to provide Kentucky goat farmers with an opportunity to sell their replacement does in an environment that will highlight the attributes of homegrown quality Kentucky goats. Secondly, this sale will provide an ideal buying opportunity for new and experienced producers. These does will quickly adapt to the home environment and become a productive addition to the breeding herd.

Who Is Involved

The *Kentucky Elite Replacement Doe Sale Committee* is made up of experience goat producers who have invested many hours of personal time in the development of this sale and this document. This committee has made a collaborative effort to provide a pleasant and beneficial experience for the seller and the buyer. In addition to the Kentucky Elite Sales Committee, a second committee composed of regional or county based goat associations designated as the *Associate Members Committee* also contributed greatly to this effort. Finally, the thoughts and recommendations of an *Advisory Committee* composed of professional agricultural advisors and industry representatives has also be incorporated into the sales development process. We feel that this collaborative effort provides an informed and broad perspective of the need for this sale and how best to market these valuable animals.

How Do I Get Involved?

A quality sale such as this takes a great deal of experience, knowledge and manpower. Knowledge and manpower was donated by producer volunteers in order to keep sale cost low and the sales process efficient. If you want to be a part of this organization and become involved in this unique activity, contact one of the members of the sales committee and become a part of the process. Meanwhile, thank you for considering attending this unique sale and we look forward to your future participation.

Requirements for Consignment

Ownership:

All Does in the sale must be from the *farm of origin or owned by the consigner for at least 60 days prior to the date of the sale.*

Documentation of date of ownership can be sales recites, production records and breed registration papers. Production records must be accompanied by a *Premise Number* and a *Scrape Tag Number*.

Consignment of Does:

Consignment of candidate does is acquired once an on-farm inspection had been completed. Verification of consignment must be done prior to the sale. Inspection is done by designated members of all three management committees mentioned above and are designated the *Farm Inspection Committee*.

- All does consigned to the sale must be at least 8 months of age on the day of the sale and no more than 4 years of age at the time of the sale. Ages will be verified by breed registration, production records and teeth count.
- Bred and open doe verification will be determined by ultrasound inspection and diagnosis will be made by a Kentucky board certified veterinarian. No attempt will be made to determine fetal number. An observed viable fetus at the day of the sale indicates a bred condition. If the fetus cannot be seen the day of the sale, the doe will be considered open. A fetus is often not visible at less than 30 days of age. A second inspection will be conducted at the delivery date and in conjunction with ultra-sound pregnancy examination.
 - **Note: Conditions of Non-Sale of Livestock:** All does that have been transported to the sale and do not conform to the requirements of the sale will not be sold in the sale.
 - **Note: Statement of Promotional Responsibility:** The sale committee will provide extensive public notification regarding the date, time and location of the sale; however it is the consigner's responsibility to promote the sale of his/her consigned animals.

Assessed open (not bred) or bred doe (pregnant doe) means the doe was observed to be bred or open on the day of check-in to the sale. Assessment of bred or open is made by ultrasound observation of the horn area of the uterus. If a doe is bred for less than 30 days, the fetus is not likely to be visible by ultrasound technology. Therefore, an early bred doe (<30 days) will likely be diagnosed as open. Similarly, if a fetus is visible on the day of assessment, the doe will be diagnosed as bred. However, the presence of a visible viable fetus will not guarantee that the doe will have a live birth. Therefore, ultrasound observation of the fetus will not guarantee that the doe will have a viable offspring, only that the fetus was observed on the day of check-in to the sale.

Note Conditions: The Kentucky Elite Replacement Doe Sale or the Sales Committees are not liable for the viability of the fetus following the sale of the doe.

Requirements for Consignment of Bred Does

Bred Does:

1. All bred consigned does must meet or exceed the following requirements.
2. All bred does must be bred to a papered or non-papered buck of known breed type (Boer, Kiko, Nubian and others)
 - a. All bred does must be from the farm of origin or owned by the consignor a minimum of 60 days prior to the sale date and at the time of breeding.
 - b. Bred does can be purebred, full blood or crossbred and of known breed type.
 - c. The sire of the doe must be of known breed type.
 - d. Bred does must be bred to a known buck; however the buck may be register or non-registered and a purebred, full blood or crossbred.
 - e. All does must be bred at least 30 days prior to the day of the sale in order to observe the fetus by ultra-sound technology.
 - f. Bred doelings less than 1 year of age cannot be consigned to the sale. (Age will be determined by breed papers, production records and/or teeth count.
 - g. The consigner must provide the buyer all information necessary to register the offspring. The consigner has the option of providing a sire registration service memo that will accompany the bred doe at purchase. Additional buck and doe information can be included in the sale catalog.

Requirements for Consignment of Open Does (non-bred, ready to breed)

Open Does:

1. All open consigned does must meet or exceed the following requirements.
 - h. All open does must be from the farm of origin or owned by the consignor a minimum of 60 days prior to the sale date .
 - i. Open does can be purebred, full blood or crossbred and of known breed type.
 - j. Open doelings must be at least 8 months of age with a minimum body weight of 75 lbs on the day of the sale.
 - k. Open mature does must be no more than 4 years of age.
 - l. Open does must be sired by a known papered buck or non-papered buck of known breed type (Boer, Kiko, Crossbred, Alpine others)

- m. Open does over 18 months of age must show signs of previous reproduction. Consignors have the option to include number of pregnancies; number of kid(s) born per pregnancy, birth date of kid(s), and number of kid(s) weaned and will be included in the sales catalog.

Supporting Record Content for Consigned Does

Ideally, commercial does of replacement quality would be adequately supported by production and health records that would enhance the buyer's knowledge of the doe. The addition of data to the sales catalog highlights the doe's reproductive and genetic potential. The supporting data can be production records, accompanied by a Premise Number and Scrape ID tag indicating productivity, offspring viability and disease resistance. The data may also include birth numbers, birth weight, weaning weights of offspring.

Disease resistance indicators can be two or more years of FAMACHA records and/or deworming records. Likewise, deworming records indication 4 or less dewormings per year for the breeding buck and/or offspring of the breeding buck would prove to be invaluable data.

Supporting records are not required but are encouraged as an addition to the sales catalog. Future sales of this type will strongly encourage inclusions of supporting data.

Required Vaccinations for Consigned Does

All consigned does must be vaccinated for *Tetanus toxoid* and *Clostridium perfringens* C&D (over eating disease). Label directions regarding boosting the initial vaccinations must be as indicated on the label or as recommended by the attending veterinarian. Initial vaccinations and boosters must be administered to all does and cannot be given within two weeks of the day of the sale.

Injection should be subcutaneous (SQ), if label directions permit; tent skin for SQ in the neck area or behind the elbow.

Note Conditions: Validation of vaccination is done by a written document signed by a veterinarian (preferred and recommended) and/or a signed statement from the consigner of the doe. This must be received before animals can unload at the sale location.

Required Parasite Management for Consigned Does

All does must be treated for internal and external parasites no less than 15 days from the date of the sale. *Note that almost all the products mentioned are off-label products*

and they must be administered by recommendation and under the supervision of a Kentucky licensed veterinarian.

Products required for internal parasite control must include a Lavasole treatment plus a Cydectin treatment, both administered no more than 15 days prior to sale. Treat does with Lavasole orally at 3ml/25 lbs of body weight and Cydectin by injection at 1ml/110 lb of body weight. If Cydectin pour-on product is give orally, drench at a rate of 1 ml/25 lb of body weight.

Products for external parasites can include a generic ivermectin pour-on. This is an Ivermectin to be applied to the back of the animal twice at 14 to 21 day intervals. Second, Ivomec, the original Ivermectin pour-on can be applied one time to the back of the animal. A third pour-on insecticide choice, such as Cylence may be used and should be applied twice at 14-day intervals. Other external parasite products can be recommended by your veterinarian.

Bred or Open Verification for Consigned Does

Bred Does:

All does will be confirmed either pregnant or open by ultrasound the day of check-in to sale. The consignor guarantees the doe to be bred on the day of the sale. Maintaining the pregnant or open condition following the sale is solely the responsibility of the purchaser. (See the Assessed open or bred doe statement below.)

Open Does:

The consignor guarantees the doe to be at least 8 months of age with a body weight of no less than 75 lbs and open on the day of the sale. All does will be *confirmed open* by ultrasound the day of the sale. Maintaining the pregnant or open condition following the sale is solely the responsibility of the purchaser. (See the Assessed open or bred doe statement below.)

Sire Requirements:

Bucks of known breed type must be used to service the does. Additional information, regarding breed registration, offspring productivity, and buck parasite resistance/tolerance may be added to the sales information, however breed registration is not a requirement for a sire of the doe. All sire information must be provided at consignment. This will allow time to enter the information into the sale catalog.

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fetus will not guarantee that the doe will have a live birth. Therefore, ultrasound observation of the fetus will not guarantee that the doe will have a viable offspring, only that the fetus was observed on the day of check-in to the sale.

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On Farm Doe Inspection/Certification and External Observations

All does will be ear tagged following an on farm inspection and approval by the members of the Inspection Committee. Each doe will be identifying with a unique tag designated as the official tag of the Kentucky Elite Replacement Doe Sale. A second inspection will be conducted at check-in to the sale. In a case where a candidate doe is not confirmed either on farm or at the sales site, a substitute doe that can pass the certification process may be substituted.

Note Comment: In any case, there will be no reimbursement of the consignor fee(s) if a consignor fails to bring a consigned doe or a portion of a number of consigned does.

Inspection Criteria:

Inspection criteria includes verification of age, body weight, body condition, udder fitness and a general inspection of hair, eyes, mouth, teeth, feet and legs, as well as muscling and visual conformation. Does exhibiting apparent disease or genetic flaws of the body that prevents or hinders the reproductive potential of the doe will not be eligible for the sale. Does showing signs of Caseous Lymphadenitis (CL), sore mouth, foot rot/scald and other apparent signs of disease will not be admitted to the sale.

Body Condition:

All does must have a minimum body condition score of 2.5 and a maximum condition score of 4.0 on a 1-5 scale. All open doelings, at least 8 months of age must weigh not less than 75 lbs at the time of the sale.

Note Comment: Does coming from herds where visual out-breaks of CL or other similarly contagious diseases are observed by the Inspection Committees on candidate and non-candidate does maybe render the candidate doe ineligible for sale.

Note Comment: The decision to except or reject a candidate doe will be totally the responsibility of the Inspection Committee functioning on the day of the inspection. The outcome and decision of the inspection committee is final.

Doe Identification Requirements, Health Certificate Requirements and Sales Procedures

Certification:

All does must be ear tagged with a USDA scrape tag, and a designated Kentucky Elite Replacement Doe Sale Tag. The sale tag will be provided by the Committee. The consignor must provide verification of vaccination and parasite control statement signed by the consignor or veterinarian (preferred). All consigned does must have a date appropriate (no older than 30 days) official health certification form a Kentucky board certified veterinarian.

Note Comment: All of the above documentation must be provided at check-in to the sale before the animals are allowed to offload at the sale location.

Sales Procedure: All does will be sold individually, as a single animal unless the doe is sold with nursing kids by her side. Each consigning farm will be provided an individual pen therefore all goats from a consigning farm will be penned together (as long as space allows).

The consignor is responsible for delivering the doe(s) to the check-in site in a timely manner. The consignor is responsible for feeding and watering animals. Water will be provided on site. All consigned does will not be released until all does have been sold.

- *The Kentucky Replacement Does Sales Committee or the participating entities such as a fairground or stockyard will not be responsible for accidental injuries to or disappearance of consigned animals. However security will be provide on the day/night of receiving and the day of the sale.*

Contact Information

For additional information regarding this form and the sale in general please contact:

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