

American Dairy Goat Association

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Application for Authorization to Conduct an **OFFICIAL MILKING COMPETITION**

Application in envelope postmarked 30 or more days prior to competition \$25.00
Application in envelope postmarked less than 30 days prior to competition \$50.00

Sponsoring Organization/Individual _____ ADGA ID# _____

Is this Milking Competition to be held in connection with a State or County Fair? Yes No

If so, provide the name of the fair _____

Is this Milking Competition to be held in connection with a Show? Yes No

If so, provide the name of the show _____

Show Secretary _____

Address _____

Date of Competition _____ City _____

Location _____ State _____

Superintendent of Competition _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____

Tester _____ Tester's DHIA ID# _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____

Lab _____ Location _____

Tester's Local DHIA Lab Manager _____

Name of DHI Association Manager under whose supervision the Tester operates _____

Provision for housing dairy goats for 24 hours: Tent Barn Night watchman on duty? Yes No

Number of animals you expect to be tested _____

I have carefully read all of the rules governing the conduct of an Official Milking Competition as printed on the reverse side of this application. I certify that the officers and members of the organization which I represent have read these rules and have authorized me to make this application. I agree to follow the regulations and see that ADGA rules are strictly adhered to at all times. I understand that ADGA is not obligated to refund the sanction fee in the event this Official Milking Competition cannot be held.

DATE _____ SIGNATURE _____

RULES GOVERNING THE CONDUCT OF OFFICIAL ADGA MILKING COMPETITIONS

1. An official Milking Competition may be sponsored by any state fair, county fair, local, state, or regional goat breeders' association, breed club, or individual. The fee is \$25 when the application is postmarked 30 or more days prior to the competition date; \$50 if postmarked less than 30 days prior to the competition date. This application is to be signed by the Superintendent in charge or the Secretary of the Fair Board. If the application is approved, the ADGA Secretary will issue written permission to conduct an official Milking Competition and will furnish an official report form, applications for issuance of Star Milker Certificates and forms for certifications required under Rule 3.

2. The competition must be open to any goat registered or recorded in the American Dairy Goat Association, American Goat Society, or the Canadian Goat Society, upon proof of such registration or recordation. If the competition is held at a state or county fair, the rules governing entry to the fair must also be observed, provided they do not, in any way, waive the requirement of registration or recordation.

3. The owner shall certify to the Superintendent in charge and to ADGA the fact that the goat has not within ten days of date of test received Thyroprotein or any tonic or conditioning powder which states on the label that it will increase milk production. This certification shall be made out and signed by the owner in the presence of the Superintendent at the time

the animal is brought into the barn. The Superintendent shall forward this certification to ADGA with the completed milking competition report form.

4. Goats entered in a One-Day Test shall be on the testing premises the evening before. They shall be milked dry 24 hours before the hour set for the final milking in the test. The Superintendent in charge, or his representative, shall check each doe to verify compliance with the preliminary milkout requirement. The Superintendent, or his representative, may require any doe to be stripped dry at that time to comply with the requirement. Refusal by the owner (or caretaker) will eliminate the doe from participation in the test.

At the time of this preliminary milking, the Superintendent in charge will be responsible for checking the tattoos of every doe to verify that they correspond exactly to the tattoos listed on her registration/recordation certificate. Those that are illegible or incorrect cannot receive any *M award.

5. There shall be no more than three milkings per day for the competition. Milk must be weighed on a legal dairy-type scale, recording in pounds and tenths of pounds. Weighing and sampling must be done by a testing supervisor approved by the State Extension Dairyman and/or DHI Manager as licensed to conduct standard DHI tests in the state. Standard DHI sampling and weighing techniques must be used. The supervisor will record the milk weights and

butterfat percentage on the standard report form furnished by ADGA. The report form must be signed by the State Extension Dairyman or State DHI Manager.

6. The butterfat test must be made as soon as possible after milking and may be sent to any laboratory recognized by that state to run butterfat sample tests or may be run in the regular laboratory of the licensed tester conducting the milking competition. The official milking out and taking of butterfat samples may not be done in private, but must be done in public view.

7. Any standard breed goat that receives 18 or more points, (7 or more points for miniature breed) will be awarded an automatic *M designation. Points shall be given for quantity of milk, for period of time since last kidding, and for butterfat as follows:

A. For each pound of milk, one point figured to one decimal place

B. For each complete ten days the goat has been in milk since last kidding, one tenth (.1) of a point, with a maximum of 3.6 points

C. For each .05 pounds of butterfat yielded in the milkings, one point

8. If a Star Certificate is desired, the owner shall complete the application for this certificate and mail it with the fee (Member - \$3, Non-Member - \$5) to ADGA.