

APPROVED PRACTICES FOR GOAT PRODUCTION

Select the approved practices from the list below which will be of benefit to your enterprise and record them on pages 3 and 4 in your Supervised Agriculture Experience Record Book. (This is only a general suggested list. Detail should be added to match your specific situation.)

1. Select animals which are alert and healthy
2. Purchase an animal with a good pedigree
3. Choose structurally sound animals
4. Choose a sharp dairy type animal
5. Prepare a clean, draft-free shelter
6. Confine kids for maximum growth
7. Provide exercise for show kids
8. Feed a high-quality grain ration
9. Provide adequate high-quality roughage
10. Supply a properly balanced mineral mix
11. Feed the proper milk replacer
12. Mix milk replacer properly
13. Maintain clean, fresh bedding
14. Provide plenty of clean, fresh water
15. Develop and implement a sound health plan
16. Control internal and external parasites
17. Vaccinate animals routinely at proper times
18. Train goats for show
19. Clip and trim goats for show
20. Trim feet on animals regularly
21. Correctly fill out a show entry form
22. Properly wash a goat for show
23. Detect heat in does
24. Select a proven buck to mate with your does
25. Use A.I. for best breeding improvement
26. Provide a good-quality pasture
27. Prepare a clean, fresh kidding area
28. Iodine kid's navel at birth
29. Provide newborn kids with proper shots
30. Disbud kids
31. Keep milking area clean and sanitary
32. Keep milking equipment clean and sanitary
33. Dip teats after each milking
34. Cool milk immediately after milking
35. Periodically check for udder infection or mastitis
36. Cull any does with problems
37. Keep accurate production records on herd
38. Put does on test with DHIR
39. Track market trends and habits
40. Market kids at optimum time
41. Develop a private market for milk and kid sales
42. Develop a permanent identification system
43. Complete a registration application
44. Keep accurate enterprise records
45. Summarize and analyze records