



RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR REGISTRATION
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I. HERD BOOKS - Each animal registered with the International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. shall be registered in one of the following herd books:

- Fullblood
 - Purebred
 - Percentage
- A. Fullblood Herd Book – All animals designated as Fullblood must be the offspring of one hundred percent (100%) Boer blood animals, and have no non-Boer animals in its traceable pedigree.
- B. Purebred Herd Book – All female Boers designated as Purebred must be at least 15/16 (93.75%) Boer blood, and must be sired by an International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. registered or documented Fullblood or Purebred Buck. All male Boers designated as Purebred must be at least 31/32 (96.88%) Boer blood, and must be sired by an International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. registered or documented Fullblood or Purebred Buck. No progeny of Purebred animals shall be registerable as Fullblood. Animals registered as Purebred will show with Fullblood animals in all International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. recognized events.
- C. Percentage Herd Book – All animals designated as Percentage animals must be at least ½ (50%) Boer blood. Animals thus designated may be the offspring of a Fullblood Boer sire and a non-Boer dam or a Fullblood Boer dam and a non-Boer sire.

II. DOCUMENTATION FOR REGISTRATION – All required documentation must be submitted with the application to register animals in any of the International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. Herd Books. Acceptable documentation must be submitted to prove transfer of ownership, breeding and pedigree.

- A. Documentation of transfer of ownership – Acceptable forms of documentation for transfer of ownership are original Registration Certificates properly completed by the buyer and signed by the seller, written bills-of-sale signed by both the buyer and seller of the animal provided that the animal is identified and Registration Applications with Section IV, Transfer of Animal to be Registered properly completed and signed by the seller.

All transfers of ownership, including those for semen, embryos, purchase of pregnant animals, etc., must be documented. The buyer and seller are equally responsible for recording and attesting to (by signing each document) each transaction. Both parties should retain a copy of the document for future reference.

Copies of these documents may be required to be submitted to the International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. for registration of the animals involved or their progeny. These documents must specify the animal(s) involved, the date the transaction occurred and the specific names and signatures of both the buyer and seller. Any dollar amounts involved in these transactions are irrelevant to the registration of that animal and may be deleted from documents that are submitted to the International Boer Goat Assn., Inc.

International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. staff shall have final discretion as to whether or not sufficient documentation of transfer of ownership has been provided.

- B. Documentation of breeding – Acceptable forms of documentation of breeding shall be a properly completed and signed Service Memo or Embryo Transfer Report.
- C. Documentation of Pedigree – All applications to register animals must show the sire's registration number (and pedigree if applicable). The dam's registration number (and pedigree if applicable) is also required to register an animal that is greater than ½ Blood (50%) Boer. All animals registered in the Herd Books of the International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. must be sired by an International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. registered or documented Fullblood or Purebred sire or out of an International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. registered or documented Fullblood dam. The applicable registration number must be given on the application.

Dams must be identified, with the following exceptions: (1) If the Breeder was also the registered owner of the sire at the time of conception, and the Breeder completes the application for registration of the half-blood offspring, then the dam's ID may be left blank. (2) If International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. registration numbers are not available, copies of the registration certificates or International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. approved pedigrees may be substituted. The International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. currently approves the following pedigrees:

- American Boer Goat Association Registration Certificates
- Australian Breeding Management (Australia)
- Rocky Comfort Goat Research (Australia/United States)
- Canadian Boer Goat Association Registration Certificates (Canada)
- Landcorp (New Zealand)
- African Goat Flocks (New Zealand)
- Agri-Ventures (New Zealand)
- Flock House (New Zealand)
- South African Boer Breeder Certificates (South Africa)

The registered owner of the sire at the time of breeding, or that person or entity (s) authorized agent (authorization form must be filed with International Boer Goat Assn., Inc.) is responsible for supplying registration numbers or pedigrees to the breeder prior to or at the time of breeding. The breeder is then responsible for submitting registration numbers or pedigrees for both the sire and dam to buyers of progeny or to the International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. with the applications to register progeny.

International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. staff shall have final discretion as to whether or not sufficient documentation of pedigree has been provided.

III. RESPONSIBILITY – Responsibility for documentation of each transaction or event remains with the parties involved unless previously agreed upon, stated and attested to in writing. All agreements made are strictly between the parties involved, the International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. is not responsible for determining the outcome of grievances but will respond to settlements with disciplinary action in accordance with the International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. by-laws.

IV. IDENTIFICATION – All animals must be identified with both permanent and external identification in order to be eligible for registration in any of the Herd Books of the International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. The International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. recommends the use of tattoos as both permanent and external identification of animals for the purpose of registration. The International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. further recommends that the animals be tattooed with the breeder's herd prefix in the animal's right ear and the letter code for the animal's birth year followed by the animal's birth sequence number in the animal's left ear.

- A. Permanent Identification – Acceptable forms of permanent identification are tattoos (in the ear, tail web or flank) and microchips. Tags, whether metal or plastic, are not considered permanent. Animals who are permanently identified must also have some form of external identification.
- B. External Identification – Acceptable forms of external identification are tattoos (in the ear, tail web or flank) or ear tags. Tags, whether metal or plastic, are not considered permanent. Animals who are externally identified with tags must also have some form of permanent identification.
- C. Ear Notches – Ear notches are discouraged for use in identifying Fullblood, Purebred, or Percentage Boer animals for registration but are considered acceptable as both permanent and external identification. Ear notches, tags and tattoos are all acceptable identification for grade goats that are dams of half-blood progeny or that are used as recipients for embryo transfer.

V NAMING OF ANIMALS – All animals registered in the Fullblood, Purebred or Percentage Herd Books of the International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. *must* be named. If a choice for the name is not given, a name will be assigned by International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. staff. It is strongly suggested that name choices be unique, and include either the owner's farm or ranch name or herd prefix.

Changing a registered name, regardless of whether that name was chosen by the applicant or assigned by International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. staff is considered to be renaming and must be accompanied by the appropriate documentation and fees. A registered name may NOT be changed if (1) the animal is also registered with any other association or (2) the animal has progeny registered with ANY association (including International Boer Goat Assn., Inc.).

VI. COLOR DESCRIPTION – Registration Certificates of the International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. will describe the animal as either “Correct” or “Other” (the Other designation will be followed by a specific color description, eg: Red, Black, Red & White Paint, etc.).

- A. Correct – According to the International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. Breed Standards, animals described as “correct” may have the head completely colored or have a white blaze in the face. As a minimum the head should have enough color to surround the eyes and cover 50% of the head. Each ear should ideally be 90% colored but 50% coloring of each ear is acceptable if the skin under the white hair is pigmented. The body must be primarily white with no more than 14% color.
- B. Other – Animals that do not meet the color requirements to be designated as “Correct” will receive the designation “Other”, followed by a color description. Color descriptions are allowed a maximum of 35 characters (letters, numbers and spaces, etc.) and should simply and accurately describe color markings of the animal. Example: *Red, white belt, blaze face*. Animals that are designated “Other” may be entered into the International Boer Goat Assn., Inc. COLORED REGISTRY if requested by the applicant. To qualify for the colored registry the animal must meet the following criteria:
 - 1. Have at least 15% color behind the front point of the shoulder. Head, neck and ears do not count as partial color requirements.
 - 2. Any variation of color except white is acceptable for the colored registry; red, black, brown, paint, etc.
 - 3. Animals registered in the colored registry will be issued a white certificate with blue trim instead of the usual green trim.
 - 4. Offspring of animals registered in the colored registry are eligible for registration as “Correct” if they conform to the “Correct” standards.
 - 5. It is the responsibility of the person registering the animal to insure that the registration office knows that an animal goes to the colored registry.