

MIDWEST GOAT PRODUCERS CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this association shall be the Midwest Goat Producers.

ARTICLE II: ADDRESS

The address of the organization shall be the legal mailing address of the Secretary of the organization.

ARTICLE III: PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVE

To establish an organization that will meet the needs of goat owners and their herds by:

1. Providing a forum for the exchange of information and ideas on goats.
2. Cooperation in coordinating marketing assistance.
3. Serve as a source of information about goats.
4. Working with 4-H, FFA, and local agencies in promoting goat projects and enterprises.

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to any person, subject to the provisions of the By-Laws, and who agrees to the Constitution and By-Laws, and to procedures and regulations adopted by the Association at either a Board of Directors or Membership Meeting.

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. There will be Directors who shall be elected as prescribed in the By-Laws.
2. The Board of Directors shall consist twelve (12) Directors.
3. Officers shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer as elected by the Board of Directors.
4. The Executive Board shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall handle the routine business on behalf of the Board of Directors between meetings.

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS

1. There shall be at least two (2) membership meetings yearly during the months of March and November.
2. The Board of Directors shall meet at least four times annually.
3. Special meetings of the general membership and the Board of Directors may be called as specified in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VII: LIABILITY

1. Property of members and officers shall not be subject to payment of corporate debts of this organization whatsoever.

2. The amount of indebtedness, which may be incurred, by an officer or committee shall in no case exceed the amount appropriated for use by the membership or the Board of directors.
3. The amount of indebtedness of this organization shall be limited to the funds within the treasury.
4. A majority vote of the Board of Directors shall be required for any single obligation that exceeds \$200; a majority vote of the member present at a membership meeting shall be required for any single obligation that exceeds \$1,000.
5. A vote may be taken by USPS mail or electronic mail of the entire membership.

ARTICLE VIII: DISSOLUTION

1. Upon the dissolution of the Midwest Goat Producers, the Board of Directors shall, after the payment of all the liabilities, dispose of all of the assets of the Midwest Goat Producers to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable or educational purposes as the Board of Directors shall determine.
2. No part of the net earnings of the Midwest Goat Producers shall be distributed to, its members, officers, directors, or any person.

ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of votes cast by the membership present at a membership meeting or by mail ballots received by a specified date, provided that all members are notified of the amendment in writing at least thirty (30) days before the ballot of the proposed amendment.