

ADGA DAIRY GOAT SCORE CARD

(Ideals of type and breed characteristics must be considered in using this card.)

BASED ON ORDER OF OBSERVATION	Pts. Possible	Pts. Awarded
<p>General Appearance: Attractive individually revealing vigor; femininity with a harmonious blending and correlation of parts; impressive style and attractive carriage; graceful walk.</p> <p>Breed Characteristics</p> <p><i>Head</i>—medium in length, clean-cut; broad muzzle with large open nostrils; lean, strong jaw; full, bright eyes; forehead broad between the eyes, ears medium-sized, alertly carried (except Nubians). 12</p> <p><i>Shoulder blades</i>—set smoothly against the chest wall and withers, forming neat junction with the body.</p> <p><i>Back</i>—strong and appearing straight with vertebrae well-defined.</p> <p><i>Loin</i>—broad, strong, and nearly level.</p> <p><i>Rump</i>—long, wide, and nearly level.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>Hips</i>—wide, level with back.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>Thurls</i>—wide apart.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>Pin bones</i>—wide apart, lower than hips, well-defined.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>Tail head</i>—slightly above and neatly set between pin bones.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>Tail</i>—symmetrical with body. 8</p> <p><i>Legs</i>—wide apart, squarely set, clean-cut, and strong with forelegs straight.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>Hind legs</i>—nearly perpendicular from hock to pastern. When viewed from behind, legs wide apart and nearly straight. Bone flat and flinty; tendons well-defined. Pasterns of medium length, strong and springy. Hocks cleanly molded.</p> <p><i>Feet</i>—short and straight with deep heel and level sole. 15</p>	35	
<p>Dairy Character: Animation, angularity, general openness, and freedom from excess tissue, giving due regard to period of lactation.</p> <p><i>Neck</i>—long and lean, blending smoothly into shoulders and brisket, clean-cut throat.</p> <p><i>Withers</i>—well-defined and wedge-shaped with the dorsal process of the vertebrae rising slightly above the shoulder blades.</p> <p><i>Ribs</i>—wide apart; rib bone wide, flat, and long.</p> <p><i>Flank</i>—deep, arched, and refined.</p> <p><i>Thighs</i>—incurving to flat from the side; apart when viewed from the rear, providing sufficient room for the udder and its attachments.</p> <p><i>Skin</i>—fine-textured, loose, and pliable. Hair fine. 20</p>	20	
<p>Body Capacity: Relatively large in proportion to the size of the animal, providing ample digestive capacity, strength, and vigor.</p> <p><i>Barrel</i>—deep, strongly supported; ribs wide apart and well sprung; depth and width tending to increase toward rear of barrel. 6</p> <p><i>Heart girth</i>—large, resulting from long, well-sprung foreribs; wide chest floor between the front legs, and fullness at the point of elbow. 4</p>	10	
<p>Mammary System: A capacious, strongly attached, well-carried udder of good quality, indicating heavy production and a long period of usefulness.</p> <p><i>Udder</i>—Capacity and shape: Long, wide, and capacious; extended well forward; strongly attached. 13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Rear attachment</i>—high and wide. Halves evenly balanced and symmetrical. 5 • <i>Fore attachment</i>—carried well forward, tightly attached without pocket, blending smoothly into body. 7 • <i>Texture</i>—soft, pliable, and elastic; free of scar tissue; well-collapsed after milking. 6 <p><i>Teats</i>—uniform, of convenient length and size, cylindrical in shape, free from obstructions, well apart, squarely and properly placed, easy to milk. 4</p>	35	
TOTAL	100	

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