

# 2023 Guidelines & Rules

### **General Information**

- The Sale will be limited to approximately 110 does or family lots.
- There will be 4 buck lots reserved. These will need to be top quality entries to make entry.
- Each consignor is invited to consign up to 6 does for the sale.
  New for 2023 A minimum of 4 lots must be in consignor herd prefix. Remaining 2 lots can be in different herd prefix.
- There will be 10 lots of frozen genetics allocated for the sale. You must consign a doe to be eligible for a frozen consignment.
- There will be 3 divisions of goats; 100% New Zealand, Purebred, and Percentages
- The consignor must be in good standing with the AKGA/NKR or IKGA to consign goats.
- Each consigned goat must have a valid AKGA/NKR or IKGA registration certificate prior to the sale. All NZ-100% and purebred lots must be DNA parentage verified (with a AKGA/NKR or IKGA -VGL number) prior to the day of the sale.
- All percentage goats will at a minimum, be Sire Verified prior to day of the sale
- All goats consigned must be at least 9 months old and no more than 5 years old on sale day, except for nursing kids in family lots.
- All goats will be subject to AKI check-in inspection and will be free of any knots, abscesses or signs of illness at the time of the sale.
- All goats, regardless of gender, will have exactly 1+1 teats.
- The Appalachian Kiko Invitational (AKI) sale committee will review each buck nominated. No preference will be given to the earliest submitted, provided the nominations are received prior to the deadline. Up to 4 bucks will be selected for the sale. The committee will base their selections on which bucks are felt to represent the Kiko breed best. The selection criteria will include farm performance data such as 90 day weaning weights, herd group or farm index for the buck, performance data of close relatives (i.e. son of buck test winner), pedigree and phenotype (must submit pictures & video of buck). Please note that we will welcome feedback for future sales on what you as a consignor's feel the criteria for an outstanding Kiko buck should be.
- Does with nursing kids are considered as one unit.
- Kids 90 days and younger selling as a family unit as of sale date must have an ear tag number that corresponds to their registration or application for registration and transfer.
- Consignors bringing does exposed to bucks are encouraged to provide documentation of the pregnancy. This is for the consignors' own benefit as does confirmed pregnant by either blood test or ultrasound bring a higher price than a doe who is only "exposed."
- The consignment fee of \$95.00, per doe/buck/semen/ embryos or family unit, must accompany each consignment request. Please send the completed consignment form and consignment fees to **Top Livestock Company- 271 HWY 11E, Bulls Gap, TN 37711**. Please make the check out to **Top Livestock Company**.
- The \$95.00 per head consignment fee will not be refunded for any reason. The AKI check-in/inspection committee will check your consignment packet and inspect each animal prior to entry into the sale barn. Should any doe/buck fall short of the requirements, the consignor will be discreetly notified. The consignor will have the opportunity to provide an alternate doe or frozen lot. This alternate lot must meet all the sale standards. Every effort will be taken to provide the highest quality breeding stock for our buyers. We believe that when the buyers can bid with confidence, the consignors will be rewarded for meeting high standards of excellence. This is a breeding stock sale. All entries must be of top quality. Remember, you are advertising your farm.
- New for 2023: Your consignment fee 'NOW' includes the consignors lot transfer fee. This will no longer be deducted from your check.
- No transfer fees will be deducted for semen or embryos lots
- In order to provide online internet bidding, TLC will withhold 1.5% of each lot sold including 'NO' Sales. The last bid received will be used to calculate 'no-sale' fee.
- There will be **NO** auctioneer commission for sales or no sales.
- Each animal will be MICROCHIPPED with the number that coincides with the AKGA/NKR or IKGA certificate. In the event that the microchip cannot be located or read at the time of arrival, a new microchip will be available on site for placement by the consignor for a \$10 fee.
- All animals should have hooves that are neatly trimmed. A holding pen and hoof trimmers (if necessary) will be provided to the consignors in the event they have not been able to trim their hooves prior to arrival.
- All animals, including nursing kids, must have a state or federal scrapies tag in their ear.
- There will be no private goat sales at the facility during the time it is rented by the AKI. To get approval for a drop or exchange at the sale location, please email Andy.Roller@toplivestock.com
- Top Livestock nor the Appalachian Kiko Invitational is responsible for the health or pedigree information of the animals in the sale.
- All agreements or guarantees are between the buyer and the seller.
- All goats are sold as is, and become the property of the buyer at the drop of the gavel.



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- Consignors are required to RSVP with a completed consignment form indicating how many animals they wish to consign by **May 31, 2023**. All fees must be paid in full prior to this deadline.
- The final individual consignment sheet must be mailed **July 15, 2023**. The catalog will be published in color and consignors are strongly encouraged to submit pictures for use in the catalog and advertising. This is not a requirement for consignment, but the deadline to go to printing will be **August 1, 2023**.
- Sufficient time must be allowed to get the DNA completed. Animals which do not meet the DNA verification requirements will not be sold. *Get them registered now*!
- After consignment sheet has been received by AKI, a substitution for a doe will be allowed if the original animal becomes ill, injured or dies before sale date.
- Opening Floor bids will be discussed at a Consignor's meeting preceding the sale either Friday Night or Saturday morning.
- All checks for animals sold will be mailed to consignors as soon as all checks for purchased goats are cleared.

## Animal Check-In

- Upon unloading, consignors will provide 2 separate packets for each lot. Packet #1 will contain orginal documents and packet #2 will contain copies of the original documents. Each 9x12 manila envelope packet will contain the following for each lot:
  - A) The official interstate health certificate issued within 30 days of the sale.
  - B) AKGA/NKR/ IKGA Registration Certficate.
  - C) UC Davis DNA Report.
  - D) Signed transfer form
  - E) A completed and signed sire declaration and transfer form, if the doe has been exposed.
- After verification of paperwork by the AKI Check-In/ Inspection Committee, the consignment will be unloaded and inspected per the guidelines stated. After passing inspection, the lot will have a temporary neck identifier placed on corresponding with the lot(s) consignment number for sale.

## Load Out

- Payments for goats will not be accepted until the entire sale is completed.
- No animal will be removed from the barn without a release form from the sales clerk.
- Release forms will be issued when all accounts have been settled.
- No animals will be loaded until the sale has ended and a paid invoice has been presented to check-out staff.
- All animals must be loaded and departed from the fairgrounds the day of the sale.
- If you have a 'no sale' goat you must wait in the pick-up line with all other Buyers.
- 'No Sale' Goats paperwork packets must be picked up at the checkout table before goat can be loaded -out.



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### **Commission and Charges**

- All sales transactions concerning goats consigned to the sale will be handled by Top Livestock Company, LLC.
- To provide Internet bidding for the sale. A 1.5% Online bidding fee will be deducted for sales and no sales. In the event of a no sale, the fee will be calculated from the last highest bid recorded.
- In the event your animal does not receive a bid, it will be the consignors responsibility to remove from sale ground.
- New for 2023: The AKGA/NKR/ IKGA transfer fee on all goats sold are included in consignment fee.
  - Each lot will be entered in sale under 1 registry and transfered in that registry to new owner.
- ➢ It's the consignor's responsibility to get dual and triple registered lots paperwork to new owner.
- The consignment fee will cover all pen fees.

### **Buyers**

- All buyers will be required to register through Top Livestock, LLC either Online or at the registration table.
- Buyers and consignors accounts must be settled with Top Livestock, LLC. before any animal can be removed from the barn.
- All registration papers on goats will be held by TLC until the funds clear the bank. After funds clear, TLC will send the transfers to AKGA or NKR for registrar processing.
- Top Livestock Company is coordinating the auction for breeders and buyers. All agreements and guarantees are the responsibilities of the Seller and Buyer. Top Livestock Company nor the AKI take any responsibility for the livestock in the sale. Top Livestock Company is acting as an agent, providing an environment for the promotion and sale of Kiko goats & genetics. Goats are sold 'as is'. Any problems encountered after the sale is to be worked out between the Buyer and the Seller.

#### **Breeders Guarantee**

**DOES:** Does are guaranteed to be breeders. In the event a female, 12 months of age or over, is claimed to be a non-breeder:

- After being exposed regularly to a buck known to be fertile.
- After having been treated by a licensed veterinarian, the matter must be reported in writing to the Seller within (7) seven months of sale date, or by the time the female is 19 months old, if purchased prior to her first birthday. The Seller shall have (6) six additional months in which to prove any such female, in acceptable breeding conditions, a breeder and may use any registered buck of the breed available to him/her.
- Any female returned will be at the buyer's risk.
- No guarantee is given that a pregnant female will deliver live kids or that she will carry kids' full term, or the kids carried will not be mummified.
- The Seller is not responsible for damage caused by foreign bodies after the animal has been sold or for sickness not apparent at the time of sale. No other guarantees either written or implied.

**CONFIRMED BRED/SIRE SERVICE MEMOS:** In the event a Doe is sold and advertised as "exposed" (which is not a confirmation of pregnancy) and/or "confirmed bred" and when/if she has live kids, the kids must match Sire and Dam advertised by the seller through DNA verification by the kids' 6-month old birthday. IF DNA testing nullifies the implied Sire and/or Dam of the kids, it is encouraged that the buyer and seller come to an agreement satisfactory to both parties. IF it is brought to the attention of the Appalachian Kiko Invitational Leadership that seller is unwilling to correct the matter of discrepancy – that seller will not be invited back to consign at the Appalachian Kiko Invitational.

**SETTELMENT**: Transportation charges on animals returned to the Seller are the responsibility of the Buyer. The Buyer when making settlement will charge no incidental expenses such as feed, care, AI fees, interest, veterinary care, etc. If the Seller is successful in proving the animal in question to be a breeder, the Buyer at his or her expense will reclaim the said animal in a timely manner. Should the Seller fail to prove the animal a breeder, then the Buyer is guaranteed a satisfactory replacement at the farm/ranch, or location of origin, or a refund of the actual purchase price. In no event shall the Seller be responsible for more than the purchase price.

**EXCEPTION OF GUARANTEE:** In cases where the animal is subject to any hormone or surgical reproduction technique after the sale, this guarantee is NULL and VOID.



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#### Odds & Ends

- Every effort will be made to assure the correctness of the catalog. However, all announcements from the auction block will take precedence over the printed matter in the catalog. Buyers are therefore cautioned to pay attention to any such announcements.
- Transportation of animals purchased through the Online auction platform is solely the responsibility of the buyer.
- In the case of a dispute, bidding will be reopened between the parties involved. If no further bid is made, the Buyer will be the person from whom the auctioneer accepted the last bid. The Auctioneer's decision in such matters will be final.
- Veterinary Health Certificates are required and will be verified as current for each incoming goat by the examining team and then filed by the registration team. Health papers for all goats presented at this sale must meet all requirements specified in the Tennessee Statues and Rules and Regulations of the Tennessee Department of Agriculture. A separate copy of the health certificate must be presented for each individual goat PLUS one additional copy for Appalachian Kiko Invitational Sale records. For example: *If you bring four goats, bring five copies of the health certificate. Please bring sufficient copies, as there will not be a photocopier available at* Appalachian Kikos Invitational Sale. Make sure the address: **Appalachian Kiko Invitational Sale 100 Lakeview Street Gray, TN 37615** is on your health certificates are only valid for 30 days so plan accordingly.
- Semen straw and Embryo straws arrangement/pick up/transfer is between the buyer and seller. TLC will not be held responsible for incorrect or missing straw