

Master Small Ruminant Producer

The Master Small Ruminant Producer program is designed to service the educational needs of sheep and goat producers in Tennessee. The program gives sheep and goat producers a combination of classroom teaching and hands-on learning experiences. The learning sessions provide opportunities for producers to increase knowledge and skills needed to apply management practices necessary for profitability and sustainability of the sheep and goat industry. Educational sessions are delivered by your local UT-TSU Extension county agent.





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Holiday	Religion	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	
Eid ul-Adha Festival of the Sacrifice	Muslim	July 9-10	June 28-29	June 16-17	June 6-7	May 26-27	
Muharramm/Hajra Islamic New Year	Muslim	July 29-30	July 18-19	July 7-8	June 26-27	June 16-17	
Mawlid al-Nabi Prophet's Birthday	Muslim	Oct. 7-8	Sept 26-27	Sept 15-16	Sept 4-5	Aug 25-26	
Ramadan (month of fasting)	Muslim	April 2-May 1	Mar 22-April 20	Mar 10-Apr 8	Feb 28-Mar 29	Feb 17-Mar 18	
Eid ul-Fitr Festival of Fast Breaking	Muslim	May 2-3	April 21-22	April 9-10	March 30-31	March 19-20	
Pesch (Passover)	Jewish	April 15-23	April 5-13	April 22-30	April 12-20	April 1-9	
Rosh Hashanah	Jewish	Sept. 25-27	Sept 15-27	Oct 2-4	Sept 22-24	Sept 11-13	
Chanukkah	Jewish	Dec. 18-26	Dec 7-15	Dec 25-Jan 2	Dec 14-22	Dec 4-12	
Western (Roman) Easter	Christian	April 17	April 9	April 17	April 4	April 5	
Eastern Orthodox (Greek) Easter	Christian	April 24	April 16	May 5	April 20	April 12	
Christmas (Western)	Christian	Dec 25	Dec 25	Dec 25	Dec 25	Dec 25	
Epiphany, Feast of the Nativity	Christian	Jan 6	Jan 6	Jan 6	Jan 6	Jan 6	
Chinese New Year		Feb 1	Jan 22	Feb 10	Jan 29	Feb 17	
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Setting up goals for the year

It is important to have goals for your farm to determine procedures that best fit the goal of your operation.

Examples

- Increase herd numbers
- Improve genetics within herd
- Increase revenue in animals sold for market

Kidding and Lambing Season

Pay attention to due dates and move animals into barn and/or individual pens accordingly.

Examine females for signs of pregnancy toxemia or ketosis that is common in small ruminants later in gestation

 lethargy, fatigue, swollen legs, sweet smelling breath and urine, and inability to stand for long periods of time

Take note of females in labor and be prepared to intervene if necessary.

- **Sheep** help after 15-30 minutes of no progress
- Goats- help after 30 minutes to an hour of no progress

Fields and Forages

- Prepare for pasture renovation by purchasing seeds, inoculant, etc., and getting equipment ready.
- Inspect hay quality and inventory.
- Determine animal's forage needs and continue to ration and feed accordingly.
- Plan pasture utilization strategy (fencing, water, shelter).

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	NOTES
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 New Year's Day	
						Due 5/26	
2	3	4	5	6	7 Epiphany	8	
Due 5/27	Due 5/28	Due 5/29	Due 5/30	Due 5/31	Due 6/1	Due 6/2	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
Due 6/3	Due 6/4	Due 6/5	Due 6/6	Due 6/7	Due 6/8	Due 6/9	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
Due 6/10	Due 6/11	Due 6/12	Due 6/13	Due 6/14	Due 6/15	Due 6/16	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
Due 6/17	Due 6/18	Due 6/19	Due 6/20	Due 6/21	Due 6/22	Due 6/23	
30	31	1	2	3	4	5	
Due 6/24	Due 6/25	Due 6/26	Due 6/27	Due 6/28	Due 6/29	Due 6/30	



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