



## THE NATIONAL KIKO REGISTRY HANDBOOK

The National Kiko Registry was created to give Kiko breeders of every size and management style the opportunity to register and track their genetics through an independent, professionally run livestock registry.

Each breeder can decide the extent to which they want to track the genetics of their Kikos. NKR has an efficient, economical registry system for any sized herd — from breeders of parentage-verified 100% New Zealand Kikos to producers of commercial herdsires and replacement does.

NKR is a registry service only. We leave the business end of a transaction to the buyer and seller. NKR does provide bills of sale, sire service memos and other documents that breeders might want for their personal records, but these are not needed for registrations or transfers. All warranties are between individuals and are not the responsibility of NKR. NKR's goal is to service the many honest breeders who simply want to register their goats.

With its focus only on goats, the National Kiko Registry is poised to move a unified Kiko industry into the future with a seamless registry for Kikos from all breeders.

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It is easy to use the services of the National Kiko Registry. Simply fill out a Client Application form and forward to our office with your annual maintenance fee. The NKR will enter your herd prefix, herd name and other information into its database. The National Kiko Registry reserves the right to accept or decline clients without cause. All decisions by NKR are final.

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I. **HERD BOOKS** — Each animal registered with the National Kiko Registry will be registered in one of the following herd books:

A. **100% New Zealand** — All animals designated as 100% New Zealand must be the

offspring of 100% New Zealand goats that can trace their pedigrees to the original New Zealand imports and have no other animals in their pedigrees.

**B. Purebred** — All Kikos designated as Purebred must be at least 15/16 or 93.75% Kiko blood. No progeny of Purebred animals shall be registerable as 100% New Zealand. 100% will be used when calculating the breed purity of a Purebred buck's or doe's percentage Kiko offspring.

**C. Percentage** — All animals designated as Percentage animals must be at least 1/2 (50%) Kiko and must be the offspring of a registered 100% New Zealand or Purebred Kiko buck or doe. Only does may be registered in the Percentage Herd Book.

**II. DOCUMENTATION FOR REGISTRATION** — All required information must be submitted with the application to register an animal in any of the National Kiko Registry Herd Books. An **NKR Animal Registration Application** form must be submitted with the appropriate fees.

To dual-register a goat that you own from another Kiko registry with NKR, copies of the front and back of the original registration certificate from the other registry must accompany the **NKR Animal Registration Application** along with the appropriate fees.

To register an offspring from parents from another Kiko registry, copies of the sire's and dam's registration certificates from an approved organization must accompany the **NKR Animal Registration Application** along with the appropriate fees. NKR accepts all registration certificates from national or international registration organizations, but does not accept regional or state-specific registry certificates.

NKR certificates of registration are issued using information provided to the National Kiko Registry by its clients. Information utilized from certificates of other registries is accepted at face value and is intended for documentation only. Neither National Kiko Registry nor its owners, officers or agents accept liability nor shall they be answerable in damages for the issuance of any certificate based on inaccurate information furnished by the applicant. NKR has no obligation or responsibility to independently investigate or determine whether the information provided in any application for registration or transfer is correct.

**III. TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP** — Transfers can be submitted by either the buyer or seller. A **Transfer Application** form should be completed, signed and dated by the seller. The original NKR registration certificate and transfer of ownership form must be submitted with the appropriate fees.

**IV. RESPONSIBILITY** — All contracts, agreements and verification are between buyer and seller. National Kiko Registry is a pedigree tracking and registry service only. Responsibility for documentation of each transaction or procedure (natural breeding, artificial insemination, semen transactions, embryo harvest and transfer, etc.) remains with the parties involved. All agreements made are strictly between those parties. National Kiko Registry is not responsible for determining the validity of any claims or outcome of any grievances.

**V. IDENTIFICATION** — All animals should be identified with both permanent and external identification. Acceptable forms of permanent identification are tattoos in the ear or tail web and microchips. Ear tags are not considered permanent. Animals that are permanently identified must also have some form of external identification such as a tag in the ear or on a neck chain.

**Tattoos.** The herd prefix should be in the right ear; the left ear should be tattooed with a letter to indicate the year the animal was born and a unique identifying number (usually the ear tag number).

**Year Indicator.** NKR uses the meat goat industry standard alphabet identifiers to indicate the year in which a goat was born. These are:

2012 — B

2013 — C

2014 — D

2015 — E

2016 — F

2017 — G

2018 — H

2019 — J

2020 — K

2021 — L

2022 — M

2023 — N

2024 — P

2025 — R

The letters I, O, Q and U are not used.

**VI. NAMING OF ANIMALS** — All animals registered in the 100% New Zealand, Purebred or Percentage Herd Books must be named. Names must be preceded by the breeder's farm name or herd prefix. Ear tag numbers or other identifiers can be used as names.

**VII. OFFICIAL NKR FORMS** — Forms for all NKR transactions are available for download on the company website ([www.nationalkikoregistry.com](http://www.nationalkikoregistry.com)) or by calling the registrar's office (770-844-4300).

**Client Application.** All persons wishing to do business with NKR must complete and sign a Client Application. The registrar will assign a Client File Number and create a database file for future transactions. The applicant also uses this form to register a herd prefix. The herd prefix is a series of numbers and/or letters that is unique and identifies each individual herd in the database. Once assigned, the prefix is used for animal identification by tattooing the herd prefix in the right ear of each animal registered by the applicant. The National Kiko Registry reserves the right to accept or decline clients without cause.

**Animal Registration Application.** This form is used when applying for a certificate of registration for an animal. A new owner's information can be included if the animal was sold prior to registration. Fees for both registration and transfer must be included if both

transactions are desired.

**Transfer Application.** Use this form to transfer an NKR-registered goat to a new owner. This form, the original certificate of registration and the correct fee can be submitted by either the buyer or seller. The application must be signed by the seller.

**Certificate Transfer (Dual Registration).** Use this form to transfer registered goats that you own from another Kiko registry to NKR. Copies of the front and back of the original registration certificates from the other registry must accompany the application. Up to 10 animals can be listed on each form.

**DNA Request.** Use this form when requesting a DNA test for an NKR-registered animal. A hair sample and the animal's original certificate of registration must be submitted at the time of application. Instructions for collecting a DNA hair sample are printed on the bottom of the form. The sire's DNA information (UC-Davis VGL#) must be in the NKR database for an animal to be sire-verified. The sire's and dam's DNA must be in the database for an animal to be parentage verified. If the sire and dam are registered with another registry, their registration numbers and UC-Davis VGL numbers must be included on the application. If the sire's and dam's DNA information is not available, the animal will be genotyped and its DNA information will be filed in the NKR database for reference. The animal's DNA status (SV, PV or GT) will be printed on the certificate of registration and the certificate will be returned to the owner.

**Order Form/Fee List.** Complete and mail this form with each order. Attach check, money order or credit card information. Customer must be a registered NKR client.

**Current fees are:**

Client Application	\$25 per year
Registrations	\$12
Transfers	\$10
DNA Tests	\$35
Replacement certificate	\$10

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