



# Miniature Silky Fainting Goat Association

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Greetings Mini Silky Breeders,

Now that 2025 is coming to a close, it's time to look forward to a new and exciting year in 2026. Here are a few MSFGA facts, awards, rules and regulations that you will want to know about in the coming year. We are consistently adding new farms and the numbers of registrations are growing steadily. The participation in our show program has been significant with new as well as established exhibitors enthusiastically showing their Mini Silkies in record numbers.

**Year-End Statistics:** There are currently 14,981 animals in the database along with 1,131 registered herd names. We had 95 sanctioned shows in 2025 with many shows being scheduled now for 2026. We now have 723 Master Champions with 88 new Master Champions added to the records for 2025. Congratulations to all the new Master Champions, they can be viewed on the MSFGA website on the Master Champion pages.

**Website Information:** As always, you can print off applications and information for all your registration needs in either pdf form or word form. Please be sure you are using the most current version of the registration and other application forms so that the fees listed are correct.

You will also find all sorts of information on the breed, **an up-to-date report on all the Champion Legs which can be downloaded and printed at your convenience.** The website address is **msfgaregistry.org**. When the home page comes up, you will see a menu on the right-hand side of the page. Click on **MSFGA Printable Information** that will take you to a page that lists printable information, one of those is the **Champion Leg Report**. Click on **Champion Leg Report** and a PDF document will come up with **all Mini Silkies who have ever earned a Champion Leg** listed in alphabetical order. You can easily print off the page that lists your goat and keep it for your records or you can always refer to the list whenever you want. **It is updated twice a year.** You can also find the **Services and Fees** on the printable information page as well as the home page.

**Fee Changes:** There will be no fee changes this year. As in years past, there are no annual membership dues; however, if you wish to remain on the breeders list, you must register a goat with the MSFGA every 18 months. The MSFGA wants to promote those farms that support and promote the registry and the breed. **Giving buyers an application for registration does not qualify as registering an animal, so it will not keep you on the breeders list... you must register a goat yourself to remain on the breeders' webpage.**

**Applications for Registration:** If you buy an animal from a breeder and you are given an application for registration **you must pay the registration fee to register the goat and then an additional \$5 to have that goat transferred into your name in the database.**

**Transfer of ownership fee is \$5 whether the animal is registered or not.** Applications for registration without the proper fees included or that does not include a picture of the goat to be registered **cannot** be processed.

If you want to email photos for registration: **Please send one goat's picture per email with the goat's registration name in the subject line of the email. This will help simplify what picture goes with each application.** Plus, if you are sending multiple applications in to be processed having the name in the subject line of the email helps me easily find the picture for that application. **Your photos should be emailed to me the day that you put your applications in the mail so that the photos are in the office when your applications arrive.** Please email photos to [msfgaregistry@gmail.com](mailto:msfgaregistry@gmail.com). This will help expedite everyone's paperwork. If you send your applications in by email, please don't send pictures of the application as it has lots of background color that uses up a lot of ink cartridges. Please send in your applications with a white background. Thank you in advance for your help in this matter.

**The tattoo letter for 2026 is "V".** All Mini Silky kids born on or after January 1, 2026, should have a left ear tattoo that begins with "V" followed by a number. **If you are using a microchip or scrapie tag for identification instead of tattooing, PLEASE assign tattoo information too in case your animal is sold to someone who prefers to use tattoos.** If you are using microchips, it's your responsibility, not the state vets, to have a reader to identify your goats. On the MSFGA website at the bottom of the home webpage I have the **current tattoo letters for the present year and for 3 years prior**, so if you need that information this is the place to look for it. If you have other questions, please feel free to contact me either by email or phone, I 'm here to help in any way that I can.

**The MSFGA now accepts PayPal please send payment to [msfgaregistry@gmail.com](mailto:msfgaregistry@gmail.com).**

**The ideal size for our Mini Silkies will be implemented in 2026 at our shows. Starting January 1, 2026 the does must be 22.5 inches or under at the withers and bucks must be 23.5 inches or under at the withers. The old allowed heights will no longer be in effect. Good luck to all in the upcoming 2026 shows.**

There is no longer a foundation committee to evaluate your goats. In the beginning we encouraged foundation applications but now that we have almost 15,000 registered stock in the database, we are no longer encouraging foundation applications. However, if you feel you have an exceptional goat that you would like to have evaluated and registered you may still do so. To have a goat evaluated is \$50, this will include a score sheet and a report with observations and remarks on the animal. If that goat earns a passing score, then it can be registered for an additional \$50. If your animal does not qualify, you will still get the score sheet with the observations and remarks but will not be able to register your animal. If you have questions, please contact me.

Transfer fees will remain at \$5 provided you have the transfer recorded with the MSFGA within a year of the transfer date. Once the transfer date is over a year the fee goes up to \$10. Transfer fees are required whether the animal is registered or not.

Priority mail will go up to \$15 with a tracking number. All other fees will remain unchanged.

As many of you already know the registry is for sale. It has been my privilege and pleasure to have served as your registrar for nearly 21 years now. But there are still things I would like to do and in order to do that I need to let the registry go. I'm in no hurry to sell it. I would like to see someone who has a passion for the breed and wants to continue to promote Mini Silkies as the wonderful breed it is. This is a part time job, very busy in the spring and end of the year, but not so much in the fall. You will not be rolling in money should you buy it, but there are other rewards that you will obtain and I think that you will find it challenging and fulfilling. The price for the registry is \$50,000, that is a firm price. Only serious inquiries please, contact me by phone or email if you are interested. Thank you.

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### New MSFGA Show Sanctioning fees and rules

For those who have been hosting and those who want to start hosting shows as long as you get your show sanction applications postmarked within 60 days of your proposed show date(s) along with your judges' assignments and a class schedule there will be no changes in the fees, it will be \$50 per show. However, If you fail to get the judges and their assigned show in before 60 days, you will have to pay an additional \$50 for that show in order to keep the sanctioning. If you should miss the 60-day deadline but still wish to host a set of shows, you may do so at \$100 per show if you have your show sanction applications along with judges' assignments and a class schedule postmarked prior to 45 days of your proposed show date(s). All the judges' assignments must be in before the 45-day deadline or extra fees will be added. Finally, if you miss the 45-day deadline, there is one more chance at getting MSFGA show sanctioning for your shows at \$150 per show provided you can get the show sanction application, judges assignments and a class schedule postmarked no later than 30 days prior to your proposed show date(s). Those who miss the 45-day deadline must use judges from the judges list, new judges will not be accepted for these shows. There will be no MSFGA sanctions provided for shows after the 30-day deadline to have your show sanction applications postmarked.

Another change concerns the judges for the shows. If the show superintendents choose a judge from the MSFGA judges list, you will no longer need a signed contract from that judge, but you will still need to provide the MSFGA office with Judge's information for your shows. You may still choose a judge that has judging experience but is not on the judges list, but they must sign an MSFGA judge's contract and submit it to the MSFGA office within the deadline date for the show sanctioning fee you applied for. The show superintendent shall provide a \$25 sponsor fee for any judge that is not on the judges list. You can find these changes in sections 2.2.2 and 2.2.6 of the Show Rules and Regulations Version 1.8.

Renee R Orr  
Registrar

The MSFGA would like to congratulate the 2025 Top Winning Mini Silky of the year. This award was calculated by awarding points to the Best in Show winner, equal to the number of animals defeated in the regular classes in the show, excluding Wether entries. This is a calendar year award and was awarded to the animal with the highest number of points from all shows during the year. The MSFGA Hall of Fame will list these award winners for each calendar year.

**The Top Winning Mini Silky of 2025**  
**MCH Hobby Hills Melody**



**Seventeen Best in Shows for a Total of 1315 points**  
**Bred and owned by Hobby Hills Acres**



The MSFGA would also like to congratulate the 2025 Top Winning Mini Silky Wether of the year. This award was calculated by awarding points to the Best Wether in Show, equal to the number of Wethers defeated in the show. This is a calendar year award and will be awarded to the animal with the highest number of points from all shows during the year. The MSFGA Hall of Fame will list these award winners for each calendar year.

**The Top Winning Mini Silky Wether of 2024**  
**KE Paradys Special Sprout**



**Seven Best Wether in Shows for a total of 43 points**  
**Bred by KE Paradys and owned by Lightning Manor Farm**

The awards above are just icing on the cake and only one of the many rewards obtained from showing and promoting Mini Silkies. I would like to thank everyone for their support and participation in making this year one of outstanding growth. I look forward to serving you in 2025 and having another great year. Happy Holidays to all.

Sincerely,

Renee R Orr  
Registrar