

**DEPARTMENT 4: SHEEP**

**Superintendents:**

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**Show Date:** Sat. September 5 @ 10 a.m.

**Check-in/ Weigh-in:** Wed. September 2 at 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. in the Schimming Building. All lambs must be in place by 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

- Registered exhibitors must be prepared to present registration papers. Exhibitor, family or farm name MUST be on the registration papers.
- All livestock will be required to have a health identification form filled out (i.e. premise ID number, ear tags, brand, etc). These forms will be collected by the superintendents at check-in.

**Release:** Mon. Sept. 7. For all animals destined for a processing plant or sale barn, they will be released in the morning per trucking schedule. Superintendents will communicate loadout times. All other animals excused at 4:00 p.m. Exhibitors who have extra animals that did not sell in the auction must make their own trucking arrangements and schedule an appointment at the processing plant. If there is space in a trailer already going, and it is agreed upon by both parties, the owner sending their animal must pay a \$5 fee for liability reasons. Money will be collected by the superintendents at the time of weigh-in.

**Rules:**

1. All sheep must be in the owner's possession by June 1.
2. Exhibitors must provide a contact number at weigh-in for emergencies. In the event of animal neglect or other issues, the emergency number will be called once. If no action is taken by the exhibitor, they will be subject to a year's suspension. If neglect persists, the exhibitor's auction funds will be withheld. If a club abuse persists, the entire club may be suspended for a year.
3. Only immediate family, superintendents, youth organization leaders or other junior fair exhibitors may fit lambs at the fair.
- 4 Registered animals are not eligible to be shown in grade classes.
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6. Breeding classes of sheep, Registered Columbia's, Corriedales, Rambouillets, and Targhees shall be shown with 2 inches of wool or less. All other breeds shall have less than 1 inch of wool.
7. Pens need to be cleaned out the last day of the fair and all refuse put in the assigned area.
8. Home born and raised lambs shall be designated as such when identified for the fair.
9. No dyeing, drenching, shocking, spray painting or icing of lambs prior to/during the show will be allowed. No muzzles allowed. The ethics rule (see General Regulations, Entries and Exhibits) will also be enforced.
10. Veterinarians will check animals for disease status. Animals will be sent home if they exhibit contagious, infectious or communicable disease.
11. See Wisconsin Animal Health Rules and Regulations for animal health requirements under Rules and Regulations for Iowa County Fair.
12. The following breeds will be allowed to be shown:

<b>Shropshire</b>	<b>Southdown</b>	<b>Cheviot</b>	<b>Hampshire</b>
<b>Corriedale</b>	<b>Dorset</b>	<b>Suffolk</b>	<b>Other Breeds</b>

**Description:**

Spring lamb is one born on or after Feb. 15th of the exhibit year.

Winter lamb is one born during the period between Jan. 1 through Feb. 14 of the exhibit year.

Fall lamb is one born during the period between Sept. 1 through Dec. 31 of the preceding exhibit year.

Yearling ewe is one born outside the date of birth limitations as in 3, 4 and 5 above. The age of yearlings may be subject to verification by a veterinarian's examination whose findings shall be final.

Market lamb is one born after Jan. 1 of exhibit year.

**Registered Breeding Animal:**

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| 1. Spring Ram Lamb   | 6. Winter Ewe Lamb |
| 2. Winter Ram Lamb   | 7. Fall Ewe Lamb   |
| 3. Fall Ram Lamb     | 8. Yearling Ewe    |
| 4. Yearling Ram Lamb | 9. Mature Ewe      |
| 5. Spring Ewe Lamb   | 10. Flock          |

## **Commercial (Shown by weight)**

PREMIUMS: Blue \$5.00; Red \$4.00; White \$3.00; Yellow \$2.00

1. Lamb
2. Ewe

*The Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Breeding Sheep will be represented in the Saturday Livestock Auction with a basket of sheep products.*

## **Market Animal:**

### **Rules:**

1. In order to exhibit market lambs, they must have been identified during the Iowa County Lamb Identification period.
2. Market lambs can be either weather or ewe.
3. Market ewes cannot be shown in breeding classes.
4. To be classified as home born and raised, the animal must have been born on the exhibitor's farm.

### **Classes:**

1. Market lamb (maximum 3 lambs)
2. Pen of lambs (must be from 1 exhibitor)

## **Showmanship:**

Exhibitors must show their own animal that was entered and exhibited in a class. Pre-entry is required

PREMIUMS: Blue \$3.00; Red \$2.50; White \$2.00; Yellow \$1.50

1. Showmanship, members in grades 3 and 4
2. Showmanship, members in grades 5, 6 and 7
3. Showmanship, members in grades 8 and 9
4. Showmanship, members in grades 10 and older

*Awards sponsored by David and Lynda Thomas, Mark Thomas and Kelly Gundlach, Russell and Sue Thomas, and Steve and Patti Thomas in memory of Jack and Elaine Thomas.*

## **Carcass Show:**

- Exhibitor can enter one animal per species in the carcass show.
- If entered in the carcass show, the animal must be sent to either Avon Locker or Weber's Processing to have carcass data collected. If animals are not sent to those locations, it will not be eligible for the carcass show.

PREMIUMS: Blue \$6.00; Red \$5.00; White \$4.00; Yellow \$3.00

1. Carcass Class for Sheep

## **Sheep Herdsmanship**

Herdsmanship Awards will be given to clubs who have done the best job of keeping their exhibit neat, orderly and attractive. No entry needed.