

SHEEP

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Please note General Rules, Rules for Animal Exhibits, Iowa Health Requirements and Show Ring Ethics and Livestock Sale rules.

TAGS: All county fair animals must have a green USDA tag listed in 4-H online by May 15th. This does NOT replace the scrapie tag. If your animal requires a scrapie tag, you must list it in 4-H online also.

1. All sheep exhibitors MUST have a current YQCA certification before July 1.
2. All animals must submit to a Veterinary Inspection upon arrival to the fairgrounds to exhibit at fair. **Mississippi Valley Fair Board will REQUIRE a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (Health Paper) within 14 days prior to date of entry to exhibition grounds for all sheep, both open & 4-H/FFA Exhibition. These papers should be submitted to the Fair Veterinarian upon arrival or during the appropriate check-in.**
3. All entries must be docked.
4. All sheep must be washed and slick shorn prior to show date. Slick shorn is defined as being shorn completely to the hide within five days of the show date. The wool may be left from the rear hocks down and the front knees down plus the wool cap defined as from the ears and poll forward. **It is ok to clip or trim but absolutely no slick sheering on grounds.** Exception of wool breeds.
5. No horns will be allowed except for Purebred Breeding Sheep.
6. An animal may be shown in only one division: Market, Commercial Breeding or Purebred Breeding. Registration papers must be available at the fair for purebreds. Purebreds may not be shown in commercial classes.
7. Exhibitors may show one or two Market pairs and up to four individual Market Lambs. Members must show at least one individual from each pair.
8. Exhibitors may have two entries in every class with the following exceptions: Market Lamb classes up to 4 individual Market Lambs; Commercial Ewe classes, one pair of ewe lambs and one pair of yearling ewes in each division.
9. If a member wishes to have two entries or more in a class, the class number must be entered in the fair entry form each time.
10. All Market and Commercial Breeding Lambs will be weighed at the fair in case classes need to be divided. The class will be split by weight.
11. No striking or lifting the front legs from the ground will be permitted. The judge will be informed of this rule. One warning will be given, after that members will be disqualified from the show.
12. **No halters will be allowed on lambs in the show ring.**
13. The following classifications apply:
 - Individual Market Lamb—wether or ewe lamb (no rams) born January 1st or after of current year. May be either grade or purebred (Purebreds will show by breeds.)
 - Pair of Market Lambs—two wethers, two ewes or a combination of two as described above.
 - Commercial Breeding Division—crossbred, non-registered.
 - Purebred Breeding & Purebred Market Lamb Division—must be registered in proper registry association with certificates available at check in.
 - Ewe Lamb—born January 1st, or after, of current year, no permanent teeth.
 - Yearling Ewe—born in previous year, showing only the first permanent teeth.
 - Ram Lamb—born January 1st or after of current year, no permanent teeth.
 - Breeding Ewe (only for purebred classes) - ewe 2-4 years old who has lambed
14. All sexually intact sheep of any age meaning yearling ewes, ewe lambs, and rams must comply with the Scrapie Identification rules that went into effect November 19, 2001. Ewes and rams must have an official USDA scrapie ear tag in their ear before they unload at the fairgrounds and this number must be listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.
15. Market and commercial lambs will be shown in the following categories:
 - White Faced/Cross (includes Southdown)
 - White Breed Influence/Speckled Face
 - Black Faced

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4-H Market Lambs will be divided into divisions by face, ear and leg color: black and all other. Depending upon entry numbers, divisions may also be determined at weigh-in. The speckled face division for both market and breeding lambs must have speckles on TWO of the three areas: face, ears and legs. Color must be at least 1/3 of that area. The face will include the top of the poll down to the nose. Leg wool and wool caps are not considered part of the 1/3 coloring; hair color only is allowed. This judgement will be made at the scale. Within face color category lambs will be divided into weight divisions.

If there are questions about classes, decision will be made by the superintendent for market and commercial sheep.

Market Lamb—classes will be divided at fair based on categories listed in #13.

3110 Pair of Two

3210 Individual

Champion Pair Market Lambs

Champion ribbon; Trophy
Reserve Champion ribbon; Trophy

Champion Individual Market Lamb

Champion ribbon; Trophy
Reserve Champion ribbon; Trophy

Commercial Breeding Sheep—classes will be divided at fair based on categories listed in #13.

3310 Ewe Lamb

3312 Pair of Ewe Lambs

3314 Yearling Ewe

3316 Pair of Yearling Ewes

Champion Commercial Ewe

Champion ribbon; Trophy
Reserve Champion ribbon; Trophy

Purebred Breeding	Dorset	Hampshire	Suffolk	All Other Meat Breeds	All Other Wool Breeds
Ewe Lamb	3401	3411	3421	3431	3441
Pair of Ewe Lambs	3402	3412	3422	3432	3442
Yearling Ewe	3403	3413	3423	3433	3443
Pair of Yearling Ewes	3404	3414	3424	3434	3444
Breeding Ewe	3405	3415	3425	3435	3445
Ram Lamb	3406	3416	3426	3436	3446

Champion Dorset Purebred Ewe
Champion Hampshire Purebred Ewe
Champion Suffolk Purebred Ewe
Champion All Other Meat Breeds Purebred Ewe
Champion All Other Wool Breeds Purebred Ewe

Champion ribbon; Reserve
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Supreme Champion Purebred Ewe
Supreme Reserve Purebred Ewe

Champion ribbon; Trophy
Reserve ribbon; Trophy

Supreme Champion Purebred Ram
Supreme Reserve Purebred Ram

Champion ribbon; Trophy
Reserve ribbon; Trophy

Sheep Showmanship

All exhibitors wishing to compete for the showmanship award will be allowed to come into the show ring for the competition. Exhibitors must wear Scott County 4-H green t-shirt. Exhibitors will be judged for the neatest appearance while in the ring, knowledge of their project, and the best job of fitting and showing their animal. Exhibitors must show their own animals. Once you win showmanship in your age division, you cannot win again in your age division or move up to the next age division until you are at the correct grade level to move up. Previous winners include:

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	Junior (4-6 grade)	Intermediate (7-8 grade)	Senior (9-12 grade)
2021	Andrew Klindt	Ty Henningsen	Hannah Rodgers
2020	NONE	NONE	NONE
2019	Lauren Schroeder	Hannah Rogers	None