

DEPARTMENT 4

SHEEP

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Sheep members can also enter in Department 10 Class G

Entry Day: Tuesday of Fair Week – **check in is from 2-4pm**

Judging Day: Wednesday 4pm (Lead Class) followed by Breeding Class and 5pm (Market Lambs, followed by Sheep Showmanship)

Judging Location: Sheep Barn

Junior Meat Animal Sale Auction: Thursday 7:00pm Farm Progress Arena

Awards and sponsors will be posted at the Fair

- **Sheep Entry Fee is \$1.00 PER animal ENTERED**
- *Only ONE animal per entry number*
- **Scrapie Tags required in all Sheep**, unless prior committee approval.
- **Lambs must be born after January 1 of current year for Market Classes.**
- The same animal MAY NOT be shown in a registered class and a commercial class.
- You may not show the same animal in both Market and Breeding classes.
- Members may exhibit in both registered and commercial classes.
- 3rd grade Exploring members in the Sheep project may show LAMBS, NO ANIMALS OVER 1 YEAR OF AGE.
- Purebred sheep over 1 year of age must be registered and papers may be checked. Other purebreds must be eligible for registry.
- All purebred breeding stock must be registered in **exhibitor's name or immediate family/farm name**. If animal is registered under another name, exhibitor must contact MAS Committee member for a managerial form and rules. Managerial form is due by July 15th to the Extension office to be considered for permission to show that animal as registered in that division. Proper papers must be available on weigh-in day at the Fair for all registered animals.
- Wool Breed classes are specifically raised for the purpose of wool production and will show in fleece - committee has discretion to move an animal to commercial class if they deem it is not a "wool breed".
- **Bedding, hay and feed to be furnished by exhibitor**
- **See "Meat Animal Sale Rules" #22 for Market Lambs, and #24 Sale Order Determinations, in back of Fair book.**

– Lamb entries will be divided into two main classes:

1. *Class B* - Market Lambs

2. *Class C* - Bred & Owned Market Lambs

(Entries in both major classes will be divided into weight subclasses.)

– **Exhibitors may have two market entries.** Only one animal may be shown by an exhibitor in a weight class. If both market entries fall into same weight class, one entry will be assigned to next appropriate class by committee recommendation.

– Exhibitor may bring 2 Market Lambs OR 2 Bred & Owned Market Lambs OR one of each. Final decision will be at fair weigh-in.

– **Classes are posted Tuesday evening in Sheep barn to make class corrections.**

- Exhibitor must ask another junior sheep exhibitor for help, if help is necessary while showing.

- Clubs may be asked to share tack space.

- Must have completed educational points (orange card) to sell in Meat Animal Sale auction. See "MAS Rules" #2.

BREEDING SHEEP

AGE CLASSIFICATIONS

FALL Lambborn September 1 - December 31

EARLY SPRING Lambborn January 1 – February 15

LATE SPRING Lambborn February 16 and AFTER

Commercial SPRING Lambs will be weighed in and a heavier and lightweight class determined after weigh in.

CLASS A - BREEDING SHEEP

1. Purebred Southdown or Dorset (Polled or Horned) **FALL Ram Lamb**
2. Purebred Southdown or Dorset (Polled or Horned) **EARLY SPRING Ram Lamb**
3. Purebred Southdown or Dorset (Polled or Horned) **LATE SPRING Ram Lamb**
4. Purebred Southdown or Dorset (Polled or Horned) **YEARLING Ram**
5. Purebred Southdown or Dorset (Polled or Horned) **FALL Ewe Lamb**
6. Purebred Southdown or Dorset (Polled or Horned) **EARLY SPRING Ewe Lamb**
7. Purebred Southdown or Dorset (Polled or Horned) **LATE SPRING Ewe Lamb**
8. Purebred Southdown or Dorset (Polled or Horned) **Ewe Yearling**
9. Purebred Southdown or Dorset (Polled or Horned) **Mature Ewe 2-yrs & older**
10. Purebred Suffolk **FALL Ram Lamb**
11. Purebred Suffolk **EARLY SPRING Ram Lamb**
12. Purebred Suffolk **LATE SPRING Ram Lamb**
13. Purebred Suffolk **YEARLING Ram**
14. Purebred Suffolk **FALL Ewe Lamb**
15. Purebred Suffolk **EARLY SPRING Ewe Lamb**
16. Purebred Suffolk **LATE SPRING Ewe Lamb**
17. Purebred Suffolk **Ewe Yearling**
18. Purebred Suffolk **Mature Ewe 2-years & older**
19. Purebred Hampshire **FALL Ram Lamb**
20. Purebred Hampshire **EARLY SPRING Ram Lamb**
21. Purebred Hampshire **LATE SPRING Ram Lamb**
22. Purebred Hampshire **YEARLING Ram**
23. Purebred Hampshire **FALL Ewe Lamb**
24. Purebred Hampshire **EARLY SPRING Ewe Lamb**
25. Purebred Hampshire **LATE SPRING Ewe Lamb**
26. Purebred Hampshire **Ewe Yearling**
27. Purebred Hampshire **Mature Ewe 2-years & older**
28. Any Other Purebred Breed **FALL Ram Lamb**
29. Any Other Purebred Breed **EARLY SPRING Ram Lamb**
30. Any Other Purebred Breed **LATE SPRING Ram Lamb**
31. Any Other Purebred Breed **YEARLING Ram**
32. Any Other Purebred Breed **FALL Ewe Lamb**
33. Any Other Purebred Breed **EARLY SPRING Ewe Lamb**
34. Any Other Purebred Breed **LATE SPRING Ewe Lamb**
35. Any Other Purebred Breed **Ewe Yearling**
36. Any Other Purebred Breed **Mature Ewe 2-years & older**
37. Wool Breed **Ram under 1-year**
38. Wool Breed **YEARLING Ram**
39. Wool Breed **FALL Ewe Lamb**
40. Wool Breed **EARLY SPRING Ewe Lamb**
41. Wool Breed **LATE SPRING Ewe Lamb**
42. Wool Breed **Ewe Yearling**
43. Wool Breed **Mature Ewe 2 years & older**
44. Pair of Purebred Breeding Lambs (*any sex, same breed under 1 year of age*)
45. Commercial **FALL Ram Lamb**
46. Commercial **EARLY SPRING Ram Lamb**
47. Commercial **LATE SPRING Ram Lamb**
48. Commercial **YEARLING Ram**
49. Commercial **FALL Ewe Lamb**
50. Commercial **EARLY SPRING Ewe Lamb**

- 51. Commercial **LATE SPRING Ewe Lamb**
 - 52. Commercial **Ewe Yearling**
 - 53. Commercial **Mature Ewe 2-years & older**
 - 54. Pair of Commercial Breeding Lambs (*any sex, same breed under 1 year of age*)
 - 55. Purebred **Flock** – same breed (1 ram, 1 ewe, 1 ewe lamb)
 - 56. Commercial **Flock** – same breed (1 ram, 1 ewe, 1 ewe lamb)
- Premium - Danish Judging \$5.00 \$4.00 \$3.00 \$2.00**

MARKET LAMBS

CLASS B - MARKET LAMBS

- The junior market lambs exhibit purpose is to encourage young people to produce and market high quality lambs as part of their farming program. **All entries must be free of antibiotics and meet all federal regulations.** Testing may be an option.
- Lambs are tagged in May of current year. Photo must include scrapie tag.
- Market Lambs MUST BE CASTRATED.
- All lambs must be clean, sheared (slick shorn 1/4" or less at least one week prior to Fair. Touch-up shearing is permitted provided those lambs are identified at the scale at time of Fair weigh-in (must have less than ½ inch wool unless in the Fitting Contest).
- The committee reserves the right to refuse any animal it feels is not slick shorn to compete in rate-of-gain contest.
- **Market Lambs MUST be dry when weighed in at Fair.**
- Halters on sheep are allowed for weigh in at the Fair, but blankets and tubes must be removed.
- It is OK to wash animals prior to the show as long as it is dry before going into the ring.
- Market Lamb entries must weigh 95 lbs. minimum to sell.
- If a lamb does not make minimum weight requirements, 1 re-weigh is allowed.
- Live placing stands.
- May be Purebred or Grade Ewe lambs or Wethers.
- Market Lambs not officially tagged in May are not eligible for sale.
- No muzzles, no dying, spray painting or icing in any form of lambs prior to/during show will be allowed. Any unethical treatment will not be allowed.
- Exhibitors agree to abide by all rules/regulations required for entry and to accept any/all testing systems selected by Meat Animal Sale Committee to verify rule compliance. Failure to comply with any rule/failure of any testing procedure selected will result in exhibitor forfeiting all premiums, Auction proceeds, and being banned from future exhibiting at Dodge County Fair.
- There will be one Exhibition Class, for any lamb unable or ineligible to be shown in the market/bred & owned classes. This includes any lightweight lambs and misregistered lambs (those that should be in market classes and were identified as bred & owned, etc.).

1. Market Lamb - First Entry
2. Market Lamb - Second Entry

Premium - Danish Judging \$5.00 \$4.00 \$3.00 \$2.00

CLASS C- HOME BRED & OWNED MARKET LAMB

See Class B Market Lamb Info plus:

- To qualify, the exhibitor or immediate family must have owned the dam of the animal entered at the time of breeding. The immediate family is defined as a brother, sister, parent/step-parent/guardian or grandparent. Must be ID'd at May tagging/farm ID and have farm scrapies tag.
- Any questions about the rules of ownership as identified above must be presented to a committee member or the UW Extension office **in writing prior to May 1st**. A decision will be made as a committee as to whether a lamb can be identified as home-bred and raised.
- Questions of ownership breeding, etc. will be resolved as a committee.
- An exhibitor that falsely identifies a home bred and raised will be unable to sell, will lose premiums and banned from showing sheep projects for one year.

- DNA testing may be used.
 - Must be identified at spring tagging and remain as such for the fair classes.
 - Identified lambs will not be moved from Class C to Class B, or vice versa, after July 1.
 - Live placing stands.
1. Home Bred & Owned Market Lamb - First Entry
 2. Home Bred & Owned Market Lamb - Second Entry
- Premium - Danish Judging \$5.00 \$4.00 \$3.00 \$2.00**

CARCASS SHOW

- If facilities and entries permit.
- See “**Meat Animal Sale Rules**” #23 for Lamb Carcass Show
- *No Pre-Entry required.*
- *Decision must be made by Saturday at 2:00pm.*
- *Sale animals are not eligible for Carcass Show trophy.*
- *Attendance meets educational credit for the next year.*

CLASS D - LAMB CARCASS

1. Lamb carcass
- Premium - Danish Judging \$3.00 \$2.50 \$2.00 \$1.50**

SHOWMANSHIP

- Grade as of January 1 of current year
- *NOTE: The top four exhibitors in Intermediate and Senior Showmanship qualify to participate in Supreme Showmanship Saturday night at the fair.*

CLASS E - SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

1. Beginner Showman (*first year*)
 2. Junior Showmanship (*grades 5-6*)
 3. Intermediate Showman (*grades 7-9*)
 4. Senior Showman (*grades 10 & older*)
- Premium - Danish Judging \$3.00 \$2.50 \$2.00 \$1.50**

LEAD CLASS

- Exhibitor grade as of January 1 of current year.
- Open to any Sheep exhibitor.
- Can enter up until 12noon on Wednesday.
- Will be first beginning at 4:00pm on Wednesday.
- All sheep must be haltered.
- Lead class judged on general appearance, garment presentation, showmanship.
- Exhibitor and sheep garments must be at least 30% wool.

CLASS F - SHEEP LEAD CLASS

1. Junior Lead Class (*Grades 3-7*)
 2. Senior Lead Class (*Grade 8 & Older*)
- Premium - Regular Judging \$3.00 \$2.50 \$2.00 \$1.50**

HERDSMANSHIP

Refer to ***Livestock Herdsmanship Contest Score Card*** for contest guidelines and scoring breakdown.

- Herdsmanship points from the previous year’s fair may be used for penning assignments.