

DEPT. 104 – JR. SHEEP

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Live Judging: Wednesday, 12:00pm Performance Lamb Ultrasound: TBD

*All sheep to be in place between 10:00am - 12:00pm Tuesday

Market Lamb Weigh-In Pen to Pen starting at 1:00pm Tuesday

- Market Division Sheep will be judged before Breeding Divisions.
- All Breeding Divisions of sheep, registered Wool Breeds such as Columbia, Corriedale, Icelandic, Rambouillet, Shetland, Targhee, shall be shown with 2” of wool or less.
- All other breeds shall be shown with 1” or less.
- Market Lambs to be Slick Shorn.
- All sheep and lambs must be identified with a scrapie tag.
- All animals must be fitted by the exhibitor, leader, parent, or another junior exhibitor; any of whom reside in Washington County. No lambs will be allowed to be muzzled, iced, spray painted, drenched, dyed, or in any way treated inhumanely at any time during the Fair.

SHEEP DEFINITIONS

1. A yearling ram or ewe is one born outside the date of birth limitations of No. 2-4. Yearlings may be subject to Veterinarian's examination whose findings shall be final.
2. A fall lamb is one born between September 1 and December 31 of the preceding exhibit year.
3. A winter lamb is one born between January 1 and February 15 of the exhibit year.
4. A spring lamb is one born on or after February 16 of exhibit year.
5. A market lamb must be born after January 1 of the exhibit year.

SHEEP GROUP DIVISIONS

1. Pair of lambs to include a spring, winter, or fall ram lamb and a spring, winter, or fall ewe lamb owned by exhibitor (Junior Division).
2. Flock to consist of 3 animals - a ram (yearling or lamb); a ewe lamb, and a yearling ewe owned by exhibitor (Junior Division).

DIVISION A - Suffolk
DIVISION B - Hampshire
DIVISION C - Targhee
DIVISION D - Oxford
DIVISION E - Columbia
DIVISION F - Shropshire
DIVISION G - Dorset
DIVISION H - Dorper

DIVISION I - Southdown
DIVISION J - Icelandic
DIVISION K - Shetland
DIVISION L - Wether-Type
DIVISION M - Katahdin
DIVISION N - Any Other Breed-Wool
DIVISION O - Any Other Breed-Meat

Ewe lambs and ewes may be purebred or grade. Yearling rams and ram lambs must be purebred. Purebreds must be identified by showing registration papers to the Superintendent upon request. These papers should be dated before July 1st.

****Refer to entry numbers below for all breeds****

Class No. Premiums: \$5.00, \$4.00, \$3.00, \$2.00

1. Purebred Yearling ram
2. Purebred Fall ram lamb
3. Purebred Winter ram lamb
4. Purebred Spring ram lamb

5. Mature ewe
6. Yearling ewe
7. Fall ewe lamb
8. Winter ewe lamb
9. Spring ewe lamb
10. Pair of Lambs
11. Flock

***Champion Purebred Male & Female by Breeds – Ribbon Only. Champions to be judged only if 4 or more animals were exhibited in the breed, or at the discretion of the judge.**

DIVISION P- MARKET CLASS AND PERFORMANCE LAMB CLASS (ANY BREED)

Minimum Weight - 90 lbs. for Livestock Auction

Market Class entries may either be castrated males or female lambs.

Lambs will be weighed in, pen to pen starting at 1 pm Tuesday. Swine to be weighed in, pen to pen immediately following lambs. No free weigh-ins for lambs or swine.

- **Performance Lamb Class** emphasizes production agriculture and the exhibitor's ability to select and raise lambs which will be evaluated on, and overall final placing; based upon Live Visual Appraisal and Ultrasound Carcass Evaluation.
- **Live Show Component:** Lambs will be shown on Wednesday. Lambs must be slick shorn.
- **Ultrasound Carcass Component:** Lamb carcass merit evaluated via ultrasound to generate a projected "Boneless Retail Product Yield" or "Lamb Carcass Index". Date and time TBD.

The exhibitor is not required to enter the Performance Lamb class as the ultrasound does require the application of oil on the animal for accurate readings. If you prefer not to participate, do not enter class 3 or 4.

If you have 1 market lamb, enter Class 1 and Class 3, if you have 2 market lambs enter Class 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Exhibitors can enter up to two animals in Division P and all four classes below.

Class No. Premiums: \$5.00, \$4.00, \$3.00, \$2.00

1. Finished Lamb (1st lamb)
2. Finished Lamb (2nd lamb)
3. Performance Lamb (1st lamb)
4. Performance Lamb (2nd lamb)

Champions – Ribbon Only

All Finished Lambs will be divided as equally as possible into weight divisions. Home Bred and Raised Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from the animals shown and will be recognized at the sale. To qualify, the exhibitor or immediate family must have 100% ownership of the mother (dam or ewe) of the animal entered, at the time of breeding. The immediate family is defined as a brother, sister, parent/guardian, or grandparent.

DIVISION Q – CARCASS LAMB

(Danish Judging)

Carcass Show: Wednesday following the Fair at 7:00pm (Kewaskum Frozen Foods)

Thursday following the Fair at 7:00pm (Gehring's Meat Market)

All exhibitors entering in Division P must enter ONE animal under Division Q to receive premium. Only one entry needed.

Class No. Premiums: \$6.00, \$5.00, \$4.00, \$3.00

1. Carcass
Champions – Ribbon Only

DIVISION R – SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

(Danish Judging) – Age on January 1st of exhibit year

Class No. Premiums: \$6.00, \$5.00, \$4.00, \$3.00

1. Beginner, 8 - 11 years
2. Intermediate, 12 - 14 years
3. Senior, 15 and over

DIVISION S – HERDSMANSHIP AWARD CLASS

Class No. Premiums: \$5.00, \$4.00, \$3.00, \$2.00

1. Sheep – This entry is for CLUBS or CHAPTERS only. An exhibitor should check with their club or chapter before July 1st to be sure that they are entered. An exhibitor does NOT need to list this division on their entry form. Premiums will be awarded for keeping the animals on exhibit in near appearance, the feed, the straw, hay bales and boxes in the proper place, and the walkways in the barn in good order and appearance. Any decorations including barn cards will be considered in the judging. All decorations must be removed before any premiums will be paid.

DIVISION T – NON-ANIMAL EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS

****See Dept. 110 Jr. Animal/Vet Science Division E**

DIVISION U – LEAD CLASS

Judging: Sunday TBD

The Sheep Lead Class is a competition where entrants are judged on the fashion and fit of their wool garment (purchased or handmade) while leading a sheep. The purpose of this event is to promote the beauty and versatility of wool clothing for all occasion wear and to give youth the opportunity to exhibit and showcase their involvement in the sheep industry.

Class No. Premiums: \$5.00, \$4.00, \$3.00, \$2.00

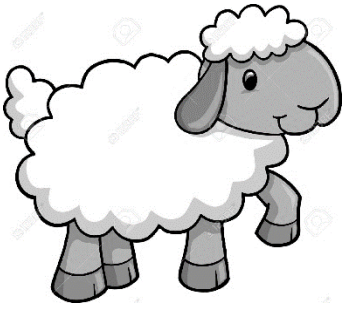
1. Beginner, 8-11 years
 2. Intermediate, 12-14 years
 3. Senior, 15 and over
- A. Entrants must wear a garment made predominantly of wool. Garments may be purchased or constructed by or for the entrant and should be age appropriate and lend elegance to the class. This is not a costume class.
 - B. Sheep must be a ewe or wether (of any age), conditioned, fitted, and trained to show at halter. Rules for exhibiting sheep at the Washington County Fair will apply to these animals.

- C. Entrants must provide a one-page commentary of 200 words or less to be read during the class including the following:
- a. Description of the garment
 - b. Breed of sheep being led
 - c. Brief biography of entrant and involvement in sheep industry

Please write the commentary in the third-person as it will be read by the announcer (Example: "Sue is leading a Hampshire ewe..." not "I am leading a Hampshire ewe...") Commentary must be typed and submitted at check-in no later than 5:00pm Tuesday.

- D. Judging Standards: 600-point total. 1-100 points possible for each of the following categories:
- a. Garment fit
 - b. Entrant's poise
 - c. Control of animal
 - d. Garment style and/or fashion
 - e. Entrant's appearance
 - f. Presentation and appearance of animal

Little Shepherds Showmanship Contest



The Little Shepherds Showmanship Contest will be held on the Sunday of the Washington County Fair at approximately 10:30am after the Little Squealers Showmanship Contest in the Farm Progress Arena. The contest is open to children 5 - 8 years old who are not yet old enough to have a livestock fair entry.

Children/parents/guardian will be required to make arrangements to use one of the Junior or Open sheep show animals that are already at the Fairgrounds as there is not room for additional animals in the barn. Safety is important, so you are asked to use animals that tended to behave well during the sheep show. All

lambs will be shown on halter. Children will be divided into groups based on the participation level and at the discretion of the Sheep Superintendent. Children will be judged on their basic showmanship skills. The comments made by the judge will include tips on improving these skills. Ribbons will be awarded to all participants.

All applications and permission slips are due no later than June 28th. Parents should come to the Farm Progress Arena 1 hour before the contest to help set up the ring and walkway. There is also a mandatory meeting 30 minutes before the event start time.

Please return your entry by June 28th.

**Return the completed and signed Application and Permission Slip below to: Carol Strupp
(6268 Arthur Road Hartford, WI 53027).**



Little Shepherds Showmanship Application & Permission Slip

CHECK ONE

I need a sheep assigned to me

I am using a sheep from _____
(Exhibitor's Name)

Name _____ Age _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

I give my child permission to enter the Little Shepherds Showmanship Contest on Sunday of the Washington County Fair. I accept the risks that this contest may incur and agree to release the sponsor from any liabilities.

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date Signed)

Return by June 28th to:
Carol Strupp
6268 Arthur Rd
Hartford, WI 53027