



2024 New Mexico State Fair

Wool Lead

**Pee Wee, Novice, Junior and Senior Sections
Shepherds and Sheep in Wool Lead Class**

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**Show: 4:00 p.m., Saturday, September 7, 2024
Clothing hand in 2:30-3:30pm**

JUDGES:

**Interview and Clothing Construction: Daylene Huey
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Identification and Wool judging Class: Lisa Boulware
Wool and Ewe Quality: Dulcie Griffin**

Announcements

Please see Junior Division General Livestock Rules.

Entries

Entry Deadline - August 1, 2024 (No Late Entries will be accepted)

This contest will be held in the Junior Swine Show Ring. Please email a copy of commentary for the announcer with your entry:

- 1 Commentary for exhibitor
- 1 Commentary for ewe

Entry Fees

Pee-Wee, Novice, Junior & Senior: \$10
Sheep Entry: \$5

Federal Sheep and Goat ID Requirements for Scrapie

Sheep and goats that are sexually intact and used for breeding, show and/or exhibition are required to have official individual animal and premises identification prior to sale or movement. For further information, contact Dr. Paul Scigliabaglio, USDA, Albuquerque Office, (505) 761-3160.

Livestock Inspection

All in-state junior livestock (cattle, sheep, goats and swine) showing at New Mexico fairs must have an NMLB APPROVED fair tag furnished by the NMLB and a Form 1 inspection issued by the NMLB before entering any county or state fair. All out of state livestock must comply with New Mexico import requirements. The Form 1 inspection will be issued at the time the NMLB APPROVED tag is placed in the animal, tags will be issued by the NMLB. The application of the tag will be done by the extension agent, FFA advisor or fair personnel. All animals must be tagged and inspected no later than June 15th. The purpose of these requirements is to keep on file a record of animals that are commingled at fairs and shows.

Sheep

1. Proof of ownership (NMLB "form 1" inspection certificate) must accompany the animal when traveling, whether in or out of the district; this provides the assurance that all requirements are met.
2. A NMLB APPROVED fair ear tag provided by the NMLB, a NMLB registered tattoo (tattoo registered with NMLB) and a Form 1 inspection issued by the NMLB. The tattoo can be the 4-H or FFA tattoo.
3. Market or breeding sheep and goats purchased from out of state, must comply with NM livestock entry rules and USDA interstate transport rule including a CVI, USDA scrapie identification and an entry permit number.
4. All sexually intact sheep and goats entered in market or breeding classes must have an official USDA scrapie tag applied to the ear. Registered breeding goats may utilize a legible breed registry tattoo in lieu of a scrapie tag.
5. Please see 2024 Exhibition Season: Additional Guidelines for Breeding Sheep and Goats in Junior Livestock General Rules.

Additional rules

1. No copies or faxed copies of TB test charts (VS Form 6-22) or health certificates will be accepted, unless signed by the veterinarian (who administered the test) in blue ink certifying the copy. The exhibitor must bring these documents to fair check-in.
2. NMLB approved regulatory identification is required for all test eligible animals.
3. Any clinical signs or evidence of an infectious and/or contagious disease will result in that animal's immediate removal from the fairgrounds.
4. **Out of state equine and livestock entries must adhere to New Mexico entry requirements and all current New Mexico fair entry requirements. Please review NM livestock entry requirements at www.nmlbonline.com and contact the NMLB office for any updates regarding state entry requirements.**
5. ANY ANIMAL, ARRIVING AT A SHOW OR FAIR, FOUND NOT TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH NEW MEXICO STATE STATUTES OR LIVESTOCK BOARD RULES WILL BE SENT HOME

AND GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME COMPLIANT FOR FUTURE SHOWS AND FAIRS.

- 6. This information is provided only as a guide and may not contain all necessary requirements for livestock bound for exhibitions and shows. It is extremely important to consult your 4-H Leader, FFA Advisor, County Agent and your Livestock Inspector for updated information well ahead of your planned date of transport. Be sure to contact the destination fairs and livestock shows for their own rules.

Sheep

Sheep commentary is due at time of entry. Late commentary will not be accepted. All entrants must have two (2) commentaries - 1 about sheep ONLY and 1 about garment. All commentaries must be emailed to the Director. Entrants in this class must be residents of New Mexico between the ages of 2 and 19. Junior and Senior Divisions must show at halter a sheep with no more than two (2) teeth. Pee-Wee and Novice Divisions must show at halter a weaned lamb or a sheep with no more than two (2) teeth. Purebred ewes of any wool breed are eligible. Ewes will be checked in on Friday, September 8th between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. If the ewe has more than two (2) teeth, an automatic deduction of 50% will occur on the ewe.

Sheep Premiums

1st = \$100

2nd = \$75

3rd = \$50

Awards.....Buckle

Judging

The entrants will be judged as followed:

Pee-Wee, Novice, Junior & Senior

1. Interview – 30 points Each contestant within the division will individually answer questions with the judges. Questions will be randomly selected by the judges, but will pertain to contestant's garment, ewe, lifestyle as well as the wool industry. An interview will be held before the show. Garments are not to be worn during an interview. Garments must be presented for judges to look at individually. Interview attire will not be judged.
2. General Appearance – 20 points Poise, balance, attitude, and grooming of the contestant will be judged. Hairstyle, makeup and accessories (Non-wool accessories are permissible) should enhance the total appearance.
3. Fashion Consciousness – 20 points The garment should complement the contestant as well as be in step with current fashions.
4. Sewing Technique And Fit – 30 points Major articles of clothing must be made of at least 60% wool and be homemade or handmade. Ready-made woolen garments are not permissible. The garment should fit well and be neatly constructed. Garments will be displayed for judges during the interview process.

- Exhibitors will judge 1 class of wool fleeces and place the class- 50 points.
Exhibitors will identify 10-25 items (based on age group) that pertain to wool, breeds, sewing, yarn.
A study bank of items to identify will be provided to contestants after August 1st.

The Sheep:

It is **mandatory** that each entrant has a ewe. Pee-Wee and Novice Divisions may bring a weaned lamb.

- Fitting of the Ewe – 20 points The ewe should be attractively fitted and groomed, but not colored or in any way artificially prepared. The ewe should be clean, smoothly blocked in long wool (Wool should be at least one (1) inch long) in good condition, alert, stylish and well balanced.
- Best Breed Representation/Characteristics – 35 points The ewe should be of good breed character, size and scale, body conformation, soundness of feet, legs and mouth, and wool quality representative of breed.
- Wool Marketability – 35 points Wool needs to grade in the Fine grade, which is classified as 64s, 70s or 80s. The finer the better. It should also have the character of a Fine grade: 20-30 crimps per inch with distinct points at the corners.
- Ease, Calmness and Leading Ability – 10 points The ewe should respond calmly to the halter and stand quietly when handled by the judge.

Winners from the junior and senior divisions will be **required** to present their winning garment at either the NM Wool Growers or Sheep and Goat Council meeting in June 2025. The directors will arrange a date and time for such. Winners will model their garment and present a short appreciation speech for their sponsorship of the event.

Division 1 - Garment made by exhibitor

Pee Wee Division (2 yrs. to 5 yrs.)	Novice Division (6 yrs. to 8 yrs.)	Junior Division (9 yrs. to 13 yrs.)	Senior Division (14 yrs. to 19 yrs.)
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Division 2 - Garment made by someone other than exhibitor

Pee Wee Division (2 yrs. to 5 yrs.)	Novice Division (6 yrs. to 8 yrs.)	Junior Division (9 yrs. to 13 yrs.)	Senior Division (14 yrs. to 19 yrs.)
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**Entries close August 1, 2024
(No Late Entries will be accepted)**

Premiums

Premiums	1st	2nd	3rd
Pee Wee	\$100 & Buckle	\$50	\$25
Novice	\$100 & Buckle	\$50	\$25
Junior	\$100 & Buckle	\$50	\$25
Senior	\$100 & Buckle	\$50	\$25

High Point Individual:

Contestants in each division are automatically entered for High Point Individual.
The winner is based on the highest total points from all categories.

Additional Prizes:

1. A belt buckle will be awarded to the winner from each class from the NMSF.

All inquiries regarding discrepancies pertaining to the competition must be addressed immediately following the show.

Parking Permits and Exhibitors Pass

Please see Junior Livestock Rules and Regulations.

For more information contact

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