

SHEEP Department 4

Check-In

Wednesday, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m., Pavilion 2 - near Door 19

Market Class Weigh-in

Wednesday 5 p.m. - 7 p.m., Pavilion 2

**All market lambs must have a scrapie tag in at weigh-in.
Sheep limited to one weigh-in per animal.**

Judging

****NEW THIS YEAR**** Thursday 3 p.m., Pavilion 2, Showring B, Conference Judging Class C: Market Lots, followed by Classes A & B: Breeding Stock and Class D: Showmanship

****Schedule subject to change per judge instruction****

Department Chairpeople

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Superintendents

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Eligible 4-H Project Areas

Animal Sciences - Sheep

*All exhibitors **MUST** enter Showmanship in the species they exhibit at the DCF. Exhibitors who are not entered in showmanship will automatically be entered prior to the Fair. If an exhibitor does not wish to participate in showmanship, they can scratch on-site at the Fair.*

Regulations

1. Exhibitors are responsible for having read State and County Fair Regulations and Animal Health Regulations as printed in the front of this book.
2. All exhibitors must read and adhere to the Youth Animal Exhibitor Code of Practice as stated on page 12.
3. All exhibitors are responsible for the general housekeeping and clean-up in their area. Livestock exhibitors must clean up after their animals and dispose of waste in an appropriate manner. Please provide your own tools and equipment for clean-up.
4. ****NEW THIS YEAR**** All breeding sheep must be owned on or before May 31 of exhibit year. Market lambs must be owned by **May 31 of exhibit year**. Market lambs must be owned by **April 22, 2024**. Market lambs will be tagged on **April 27, 2024** at the Stoughton Fairgrounds from 9 - 11 a.m. Exhibitors may tag up to 10 lambs. Market lambs must have attached scrapie tags by April 26, 2024.
5. Exhibitors are limited to not more than 11 animals from all breed lots (including market and feeder lambs).
6. All purebred sheep must have breeder's and association tags (for the breeds that have them) in the ear. The superintendent will check papers on Wednesday. Mouth must be right with papers.
7. **Pens will be assigned by the superintendents.**
8. Management health suggestion (not mandatory): Exhibitors are encouraged to vaccinate their exhibits for contagious sheep diseases. Check with your 4-H leader, FFA advisor, local veterinarian or Dane County UW-Extension Office for information. **All sheep MUST have scrapie tags in order to exhibit, including Market Lambs.**
9. No muzzles on sheep.
10. No belly wool is permitted.
11. No icing, drenching or toweling of market lambs.
12. *No blankets or sweaters may be worn at weigh-in. All sheep will be checked for lamb fungus. Any sheep showing signs of lamb fungus will not be allowed to exhibit and must be removed from the Fairgrounds. An on-grounds vet will check to determine if an animal may stay or must be removed.*

13. **All sheep exhibitors (breeding and market) must meet YQCA requirements. Youth must complete a training program each year by either attending an in-person session or completing an online course.** Visit <https://www.danecountyfair.com/p/youth-exhibitors/education-requirements--opportunities/livestock-departments> for more information. Exhibitors must also attend one additional sheep educational qualifying meeting. A copy of the sheep education requirement form must be on file with the Fair Office by **June 15**. **Youth must upload YQCA and Education Requirement Forms online. No mailed forms will be accepted.** Exhibitors who have not met these requirements will be ineligible to exhibit sheep projects at the Fair. Questions? Contact the Dane County Fair Office at info@danecountyfair.com.
14. Animals in the championship drive will be evaluated for the top five placings.
15. Market lambs over 150 pounds are eligible to show, but are **NOT** eligible to sell. Lambs returning for champion selection **must** be eligible to sell. Lambs over 150 pounds are ineligible for champion selection.
16. If the number of animals consigned exceeds 50 head for the Meat Animal Sale, selection of the 50 sale animals will be based on:
 - a. Grade of market animal and placing (see Meat Animal Sale information).
 - b. Intact ram lambs cannot be shown/sold as Market Lambs.
17. All qualified sale lambs must be led to the sale ring.
18. Base Dates:
 - a) Spring Lamb - Born on or after Feb. 16, 2024 for all breeds
 - b) Winter Lamb - Born Jan. 1 - Feb. 15, 2024 for all breeds.
 - c) Fall Lamb - Born Sept. 1 - Dec. 31, 2023.
 - d) Yearling - Born in 2023 outside the date of birth limitations for Fall lambs.
 - e) Mature Ewe - Born before Jan. 1, 2023.

<u>Premiums</u>	<u>Blue</u>	<u>Red</u>	<u>White</u>	<u>Pink</u>
Class A, B	\$5	\$4	\$3	\$2
Class C	\$3	\$2.50	\$2	\$1.50
Class D	\$3	\$2	\$1.50	\$1
Class E	\$3	\$2	\$1.50	\$1

CLASS A. Breeding

	<u>Suffolk</u>	<u>Dorset</u>	<u>South-down</u>	<u>Tunis</u>	<u>Hamp-shire</u>	<u>Targhee</u>
Rams						
Yearling	1)	12)	23)	34)	45)	56)
Fall Lamb	2)	13)	24)	35)	46)	57)
Winter Lamb	3)	14)	25)	36)	47)	58)
Spring Lamb	4)	15)	26)	37)	48)	59)

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Ewes						
Mature	5)	16)	27)	38)	49)	60)
Yearling	6)	17)	28)	39)	50)	61)
Fall Lamb	7)	18)	29)	40)	51)	62)
Winter Lamb	8)	19)	30)	41)	52)	63)
Spring Lamb	9)	20)	31)	42)	53)	64)

	<u>Oxford</u>	<u>Any Other</u>	<u>Natural Color</u>	<u>Cheviot</u>	<u>Dorper</u>	<u>Comm. Grade</u>
Rams						
Yearling	67)	78)	94)	105)	116)	130)
Fall Lamb	68)	79)	95)	106)	117)	131)
Winter Lamb	69)	80)	96)	107)	118)	132)
Spring Lamb	70)	81)	97)	108)	119)	133)

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Ewes						
Mature	71)	82)	98)	109)	120)	134)
Yearling	72)	83)	99)	110)	121)	135)
Fall Lamb	73)	84)	100)	111)	122)	136)
Winter Lamb	74)	85)	101)	112)	123)	137)
Spring Lamb	75)	86)	102)	113)	124)	138)

CLASS B. Breeding Pairs & Flocks

Pair and Flock classes will immediately follow individual classes by breed.

Terms:

Pair of Lambs - A pair of lambs to include a spring, winter or fall ram, and a spring, winter or fall ewe lamb owned by exhibitor.

Flock of Three - A flock shall consist of three (3) animals: a ram (yearling or lamb), a ewe lamb, and a yearling ewe owned by exhibitor.

	<u>Suffolk</u>	<u>Dorset</u>	<u>South-down</u>	<u>Tunis</u>	<u>Hamp-shire</u>	<u>Targhee</u>
Pair of Lambs	10)	21)	32)	43)	54)	65)
Flock of Three	11)	22)	33)	44)	55)	66)

	<u>Oxford</u>	<u>Any Other</u>	<u>Natural Color</u>	<u>Cheviot</u>	<u>Dorper</u>	<u>Comm Grade</u>
Pair of Lambs	76)	87)	103)	114)	125)	139)
Flock of Three	77)	88)	104)	115)	126)	140)

CLASS C. Market and Feeder Lambs

Regulations

A market lamb may be either a ewe or a wether lamb. Intact ram lambs and feeder lambs do not qualify to show or sell as market lambs.

1. If two or more animals are entered under the same Lot number, each animal must be entered separately (example: Lot 1, first animal 1 - 1, second animal 1 - 2).
2. Exhibitor may show up to three (3) animals in Market Lots. Only one (1) may be sold. A feeder lamb is **not** a market lamb and is not eligible for the Meat Animal Sale.
3. All feeder and market lambs must have the RFID tag that was applied at the time of spring weigh-in present in their ear in order to be eligible to show.
4. Following the weigh-in, Lots will be divided into weight categories by the superintendents.

Lots:

- 1) Market Lamb 105 - 150+ lbs.
- 2) Feeder Lamb under 105 lbs.

CLASS D. Sheep Showmanship

Lots:

- 1) Grades 11+
- 2) Grades 8 - 10
- 3) Grades 5 - 7
- 4) Grades 3 - 4

CLASS E. Clean Barn Exhibit

Regulation

Awarded on club basis. Entry by club only. Will be judged during the Fair on the following:

1. Cleanliness and neatness of the exhibit.
2. Attractiveness of feed, bedding and equipment storage.
3. Regular disposal of waste.
4. Cleanliness and neatness of aisles.
5. Safety and courtesy of club members to each other, leaders, judges, superintendents and spectators.
6. Added consideration will be given to clubs/chapters with identification cards and award stickers posted.
7. An award will be presented for Large and Small Club Clean Barn Exhibits.

Lots:

- 1) Clean Barn Exhibit

Special Awards and Sponsorships

Scott Construction, Inc.: Breed Awards, Classes A, B & C: Top individuals in each breed and high grade (and any other breed) compete for Grand and Reserve Champion of Show.

Romaine Ace Honorable Award: This traveling trophy is awarded to an exhibitor who shows exemplary leadership and sportsmanship throughout the current year's sheep show.

Miller & Sons Supermarket: All ribbons and rosettes. Awards for Champion Showmanship per Lot.

Little Shepherd Show

When

Friday, July 19 - 1:00 p.m.

Where

Pavilion 2 - Showing B

Who

Youth, 4 years through 2nd grade

Little Shepherds must be escorted by a Dane County Fair Youth Exhibitor and may exhibit a wool or hair breed. Little Shepherds are encouraged to wear a wool item for themselves and/or their animal. Sheep must be haltered and be borrowed with permission from a Dane County Fair exhibitor and shown in the Sheep or Exotic show.

Entry form and Contest details can be found on the Dane County Fair Website under Youth Exhibitors. See Premium Book - Sheep (Dept 4)

- Questions -

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