



SHEEP

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Twist of Fate Tack Shop will be returning this summer! Call (860) 759-9335 with your supply order!

ENTRY DEADLINE: Friday July 16, 2021

Entry Fee: \$5.00 per class

Late Entry Fee for Entries 7/17/2021 or after: \$15.00 per class

(the late fee is instead of the \$5 early entry fee, not in addition to)

Entries made on 8/2/21 or later must call the office at (716) 649-3900 ext. 6488 or 6480

Sheep Schedule

- Arrival:** Animals may begin to arrive on Monday, August 9th 3:00pm, but must be in place no later than 10:00am on Wednesday, August 11th, 2020.
- Check-in:** Wednesday, August 11th from 1:00pm until 4:00pm
Exhibitors must be by their animals at that time (with animal registration papers)
- Exhibitor Meeting:** Wednesday, August 11th at 5:00pm – Barn 11
- Market Lamb Weigh In:** Wednesday, August 11th at 7:00pm – Barn 11
- Shows:** Thursday, August 12th at 3:00pm- Market Lambs, Showmanship & Fleece Show- Barn 11
Friday, August 13th at 11:00am- Breed Show- Barn 11
- Market Lamb Judge:** Jentry Squires-El Dorado, KS
Breed Show Judge: Tim Gadsby- Stoneboro, PA
Release: Friday, August 13th at 9:00pm

SHEEP RULES

- Please read all Fair Rules & Regulations, IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and the Animal Health Requirements.**
- Youth exhibitors may enter any animal in the Open Class department. However, when entering in the open class the youth must pay ALL appropriate fees; this includes the exhibitor wristband, entry fees, and late fees.
- Entry fees do not guarantee “tack space/pens”.** In divisions where entries do not exceed available space “tack pens” will be assigned by the superintendent.
- An official Registration Certificate must be shown on each animal (except Market Lambs & Commercial). All animals must be 100% Fullblood, no percentage papers will be accepted. PENDING APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.** These will be checked for identification, ownership, and birth date, including All Other Wool Breeds, Specialty Breeds & All Other Meat Breeds.
- Rules of the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Standards for the Conduct of Agriculture and Markets for Fairs and Summary of Livestock Health Requirements shall apply.
- The Superintendent may add additional classes if warranted.
- Market lambs will be shown by weight. Show weights will be taken on Wednesday August 11, 2021 at 7:00pm. Market lamb exhibitors are responsible for getting their market lambs on the scale during weigh in. Lambs **MUST** be sheared prior to weigh in. Lambs with over a ¼” of wool will not be weighed.
- Initial sawdust bedding will be supplied to exhibitors. However, if the exhibitor wishes to have shavings or straw they must bring it or buy it from a purveyor on the grounds. The Fair will not be providing additional straw or shavings.
- No exhibitor shall receive any more than two (2) premiums in each class or break. No animal shall compete for more than one premium, except competing for herd prizes.
- Lambs shown in market class may not be shown in other open classes. Registration papers not necessary.
- All sheep will be examined by a Department of Agriculture and Markets veterinarian and those animals showing evidence of scab infection will be barred from showing and must be removed from the grounds.
 - All sheep exhibited must be free from scab infections
 - Animals from a flock under quarantine for any reason cannot be exhibited.
 - All exhibits must be accompanied by a veterinary certificate.
- Premium Checks will be mailed within one week of the show.
- Premiums will not be paid unless registration number of breeding animals is furnished prior to show.
- All animals entered and shown in a group class must be entered in individual classes and must be owned by the same exhibitor/farm.
- Exhibitors must be at least 4 years of age to exhibit livestock at the Erie County Fair.

Release Schedule:

For your safety and the safety of the public the Erie County Fair has a release schedule. This program was designed to eliminate the congestion of trucks and trailers on the Fairgrounds during release times. Each exhibitor will receive a dashboard card. Each card will be good for a 30-minute increment. You will only be allowed into the Fairgrounds with your truck and trailer for that increment in which your card is good for. The exhibitor's that have the longest travel time will receive the earliest incremented card. Multiple trips will also be considered. It is in each exhibitor's best interest to help each other load animals and tack.

LAYOVER INFORMATION:

Sheep staying for the 4-H show may stay in Barn 11 until 8pm Monday, August 16th. At which time all sheep remaining will need to be moved to their assigned 4-H pens in the Showplex. There will be dairy goats stalling & showing in Barn 11, PLEASE be courteous. Thursday, August 12th at 3:00pm- Market Lambs, Showmanship & Fleece Show- Barn 11

MARKET LAMB

CLASSES #1 & 4 PREMIUMS \$21.25 \$17.50 \$15.00 \$12.50 \$10.00 \$7.50

Market Lambs will be divided by weight (based on the number of entries). Each weight break will be awarded premiums.

1. Market Lamb

Grand Champion Market Lamb- \$150.00 & Banner

Reserve Champion Market Lamb- \$75.00 & Banner

4. Pair of Market Lambs –Owned by same exhibitor/farm

Showmanship Show:

There will be a Showmanship Show on Thursday August 12th directly following the Market Lamb Show. Exhibitors can sign up at the Fair. There will be no entry fee and no premiums.

A Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be chosen and given rosettes. The class breakdown is as follows (shown in order):

- Novice Showman- 1st time showman (4-21 years old)
- Pee Wee Showman – 4- 8 years old
- Junior Showman – 9-12 years old
- Intermediate Showman – 13-16 years old
- Senior Showman – 17-21 years old
- Adult Showman- 22 years old and older

SHORN FLEECE SHOW:

Entries will be judged Friday after the Market and Showmanship classes. Entries will be left on display.

Rules:

1. Any grower of wool is eligible to enter fleeces; however, fleeces must be entered in the name of the grower.
2. If entrant is not entering any sheep in the show they will need to purchase an exhibitor ticket for \$15.
3. No fleece may be shown in more than one class.
4. Eligible fleeces must: (a) be fleeces shorn in 2020, (b) represent not more than a 12 month growth except that in the case of yearlings, a 16 month growth will be allowed.
5. Qualifying fleeces will be penalized against if: (a) showing any paint or tar brands (soluble branding fluids permitted), (b) showing excessive dung locks or tags, (c) discolored by excessive moisture, (d) contains excessive burrs or other vegetable matter.
6. Fleeces will be weighed and weight will be noted on entry tag. All fleeces will be weighed in clear garbage bag.
7. Prepared fleeces should be rolled flesh side out in a manner to allow their being handled without falling apart. It is recommended that the exhibitors pack fleeces rather loosely in clear plastic bags to not impair their character or attractiveness.
8. Exhibitors may exhibit a maximum of 2 (two) entries in each class
9. Each fleece entered must be tagged with the following information: name and address of exhibitor, breed, number of month's growth and class number.
10. The judge will have the final decision on the class that each fleece is judged in. If he/she feels a class change is warranted your fleece may be judged in a class different than the class you entered.

Classes # 1 – 5

Entry Fee per class \$2

Premiums \$15.00, \$11.00, \$8.00, \$6.00, \$5.00

1. Long Wool, generally from Lincoln, Leicester, Cotswold & Romney
2. Medium Wool, generally from Columbia & Corriedale
3. Fine Wool, generally from Merino & Rambouillet
4. Natural Color Wool, any natural color fleece other than white
5. Down Wool, generally from Suffolk, Southdown, Cheviot, Shropshire, Tunis, Hampshire, Dorset & Montadale

Supreme Champion Fleece: \$25.00 and Banner

Friday, August 13th at 11:00am Sheep will show in order listed below starting with Meat breeds followed by Wool Breeds.

Must have 6 head or more to warrant offering of a breed.

WOOL BREEDS

Border Leicester
Columbia
Corriedale
Lincoln
Merino
Romney
Any Other Wool Breeds

MEAT BREEDS

Cheviot
Dorset
Hampshire
Montadale
Shropshire
Southdown
Suffolk
Tunis
Specialty Breeds
Commercial
Any Other Meat Breeds

FOR ALL ABOVE WOOL/MEAT BREEDS

CLASSES # 1 - 20, PREMIUMS \$25.00 \$22.50 \$20.00 \$17.50 \$15.00

1. Mature Ram
2. Yearling Ram- over 1 yr. and under 2 years
3. Senior Ram Lamb, born before 1/1/2021
4. Pair Senior Ram Lambs
5. Junior Ram Lamb, born after 1/1/2021
6. Pair Junior Ram Lambs
Champion Ram, Reserve Champion Ram
9. Mature Ewe
10. Yearling Ewe- over 1 yr. and under 2 years
11. Pair of Yearling Ewes
12. Senior Ewe Lamb, born before 1/1/2021
13. Pair Senior Ewe Lambs
14. Junior Ewe Lamb, born after 1/1/2021
15. Pair Junior Ewe Lambs
Champion Ewe, Reserve Champion Ewe
18. Mixed Pair, either ram lamb and ewe lamb or yearling ram and yearling ewe
19. Young Flock, 1 ram lamb, 2 ewe lambs
20. Flock; consists of 1 Ram - from any class; 2 Ewes - one yr. & under 2 yrs.; 2 Ewes - under 1 yr.

Supreme Champion Ram: \$50.00 and Banner

Reserve Supreme Champion Ram: Banner

Supreme Champion Ewe: \$50.00 and Banner

Reserve Supreme Champion Ewe: Banner

Supreme Champion Flock: \$50.00 and Banner

Reserve Supreme Champion Flock: Banner

New York's Best Bred & Owned Registered Ewe - Following the selection of the Reserve Supreme Champion Flock all registered ewe's bred and owned will enter the ring with their registration papers. (You do not need to pre-register for this class) (Limited to one ewe per farm)

New York's Best Bred & Owned Registered Ram - Following the selection of the New York's Best Bred & Owned Registered Ewe all registered ram's bred and owned will enter the ring with their registration papers. (You do not need to pre-register for this class) (Limited to one ram per farm)

Herdsmanship Award: Three Herdsmanship awards will be given out to the sheep exhibitors. Recipients of these awards will be judged daily by management, but not announced until the end of the stay. 1st place: \$62.50 and a banner, 2nd place: \$37.50, 3rd place: \$18.75.

1. Cleanliness & neatness of aisles, pens, bedding and animals.
2. Promptness in getting animals into the show ring and competence in show ring.
3. Courtesy to fellow breeders, spectators and others during the exhibit.
4. Personal appearance, including neatness and cleanliness of clothing in and out of the show ring.
5. Systematic and neat arrangement of feed, feed pans, bedding, tack, etc.
6. Educational message about the sheep industry.
7. Stall decorations that tie with the Fair theme will receive bonus points.