

DEPARTMENT T • WOOL BREED SHEEP SHOWS

September 19 & 20, 2026

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Entry Deadline: August 28, 2026 ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY, UNTIL 11:55 pm - NO EXCEPTIONS

Location: Gate 1, A Barn

Check-in/Unloading: Sheep: September 18, Friday 4:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m. (All live animal shows and showmanship)
Showmanship Clinic/Practice will take place following check-in for Juniors

Fleece: Will be done directly from a check-in judging sheet starting at 8:00 am on September 19th.

Judging: Fleece Show: September 19, Saturday 9:00 a.m.

Junior Wool Breed Show: September 19, Saturday 1:00 p.m.

Open Wool Breed Sheep Show: September 20, Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Release: After the conclusion of show

BREED CODES: (To be used for the Open Wool Breed Sheep Show, Junior Wool Breed Show and Open Fleece Show.)

Border Leicester - BL

Cotswold - CW

Romney - RO

Valais Blacknose - VB

Shetland - SL

Fine Wool – FW

Medium Wool – MW

Long Wool - LW

Double Coated/Primitive-DCP

WOOL BREED SHEEP SHOWS

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Classes will be offered for Border Leicester, Romney, Shetland, Cotswold, Valais Blacknose, Fine Wool (micron of 25 or less), Medium Wool (micron of 26 – 31), Long Wool (micron of 32 or higher), Double Coated/Primitive, white and natural colors in each breed. All animals entered MUST have a minimum of two (2) inch fleece (except necks, legs, and bellies).
- Animals must be purebred to be shown in their breed classes. Registration papers are required at check-in – **NO EXCEPTIONS**. If registration papers are not received with entries, your animals will be moved to the long or fine wool class.
- The Health Regulations of the Veterinary Division of the N.C. Department of Agriculture will be strictly enforced. Be sure to read these under “Rules and Regulations of the Livestock Division” before entering. Animals cannot be unloaded until checked in. All sheep and goats must comply with USDA Scrapie Eradication Program Guidelines. (State request form can be found behind Livestock Entry Form.)
- Breakdown of age classification is:

Junior Lambs	Born January 1, 2026 or after
Senior Lambs	Born October 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025
Yearlings	Born September 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025
Fleece	Any age only for fleece class
- Each exhibitor may exhibit a total of two (2) animals per class. If an exhibitor has two animals in one class, the second entry may be shown by an exhibitor approved by the Superintendent. Exhibitors will not receive more than two (2) premiums per class.
- Animals will be judged by breed standards with emphasis to focus 60% wool and 40% conformation, except in the fleece class which is 100% on fleece quality.
- All sheep must have an ear tag. Contact the Superintendent if you have questions.
- Junior show is open to any youth **age 21 or younger** as of January 1st of the current year.
- In any case where questions arise that are not covered specifically by these or the following rules, the decision of the superintendent will be final.

10. Exhibitors interfering with or influencing any judge will have their stock eliminated and will be ejected from the show.
11. No exhibitor will be allowed behind the judging table, unless acting in an official capacity. No entry into show arena unless exhibiting sheep. NO EXCEPTIONS!
12. Trophies will be provided by the North Carolina Mountain State Fair for the Junior show.
13. Open Wool Breed Sheep show entry fee is \$7 per sheep per class. Pair and flock classes are \$7 for each pair/flock entered.
14. **Substitutions will only be permitted for the open show. No Additions Are Permitted – No Exceptions.**
15. **Got To Be NC tags must be present for eligibility in the Got To Be NC Champion Awards. Eligibility is open only to NC youth entered in the Open Junior Wool Breed Sheep Show. For tags <https://www.ncagr.gov/divisions/marketing/livestock>**

OPEN WOOL BREED SHEEP SHOW

NOTE: Valais Blacknose classes will be divided into: A) 75% or Lower; B) 75.1% - 96.5%; C) Purebred 96.6% or higher

CLASS	BL	CW	RO	DCP	SL	FW	MW	LW	VB
White Junior Ram Lamb (NC Fine)	TA101	TA102	TA103	TA104	TA105	TA106	TA107	TA108	TA109
White Senior Ram Lamb (NC Fine)	TA110	TA111	TA112	TA113	TA114	TA115	TA116	TA117	TA118
Natural Colored Junior Ram Lamb	TA119	TA120	TA121	TA122	TA123	TA124	TA125	TA126	TA127
Natural Colored Senior Ram Lamb	TA128	TA129	TA130	TA131	TA132	TA133	TA134	TA135	TA136
White Ram Yearling (NC Long)	TA137	TA138	TA139	TA140	TA141	TA142	TA143	TA144	TA145
Natural Colored Ram Yearling	TA146	TA147	TA148	TA149	TA150	TA151	TA152	TA153	TA154
White Junior Ewe Lamb (NC Fine)	TA155	TA156	TA157	TA158	TA159	TA160	TA161	TA162	TA163
White Senior Ewe Lamb (NC Fine)	TA164	TA165	TA166	TA167	TA168	TA169	TA170	TA171	TA172
Natural Colored Junior Ewe Lamb	TA173	TA174	TA175	TA176	TA177	TA178	TA179	TA180	TA181
Natural Colored Senior Ewe Lamb	TA182	TA183	TA184	TA185	TA186	TA187	TA188	TA189	TA190
White Ewe Yearling (NC Long)	TA191	TA192	TA193	TA194	TA195	TA196	TA197	TA198	TA199
Natural Colored Ewe Yearling	TA200	TA201	TA202	TA203	TA204	TA205	TA206	TA207	TA208

*** Flock (two lambs, two yearlings, one ram) (Per Breed)**

Flock Class	TA227	TA228	TA229	TA230	TA231	TA232	TA233	TA234	TA235
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*** Young Breeder's Flock (one ram lamb, two ewe lambs)**

Young Breeder's Flock	TA236	TA237	TA238	TA239	TA240	TA241	TA242	TA243	TA244
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*** Champion Ram (Per Breed)**

*** Reserve Champion Ram (Per Breed)**

*** Champion Ewe (Per Breed)**

*** Reserve Champion Ewe (Per Breed)**

Pair Ewes	TA245	TA246	TA247	TA248	TA249	TA250	TA251	TA252	TA253
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*** Gift of Sire Class (three of any age from the same sire)**

Gift of Sire Class	TA254	TA255	TA256	TA257	TA258	TA259	TA260	TA261	TA262
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White Fleece (NC Fine)	TA263	TA264	TA265	TA266	TA267	TA268	TA269	TA270	TA271
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Natural Colored Fleece (NC Long)	TA272	TA273	TA274	TA275	TA276	TA277	TA278	TA279	TA280
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*** Champion Flock (Per Breed)**

*** Reserve Champion Flock (Per Breed)**

*** Champion Young Breeder's Flock (Per Breed)**

*** Reserve Champion Young Breeder's Flock (Per Breed)**

*** Champion Gift of Sire (Per Breed)**

*** Reserve Champion Gift of Sire (Per Breed)**

**** Supreme Champion Ram**

**** Supreme Champion Ewe**

**** Supreme Champion Pair**

**** Supreme Champion Flock**

**** Supreme Champion Young Breeder's Flock**

**** Supreme Champion Gift of Sire**

**** Supreme Champion Fleece**

**** Premier Exhibitor**

TA – OPEN WOOL BREED SHEEP

PREMIUMS	1st Place \$20	2nd Place \$15	3rd Place \$12	4th Place \$10
	5th Place \$8	6th Place \$5	7th Place \$3	8th Place \$2

(* Rosette, ** Banner only)

Showmanship

CLASS

- TB201 Non-Competitive - Youth 8 years old and under*
 TB202 Junior youth 8 and under**
 TB203 Intermediate youth 9 – 15 years old**
 TB204 Senior youth 15 - 21 years old**

PREMIUMS \$10 per exhibitor
 (* Trophy, ** Buckles for 1st)

OPEN JUNIOR WOOL BREED SHEEP SHOW

NOTE: Valais Blacknose classes with be divided into: A) 75% or Lower; B) 75.1% - 96.5%; C) Purebred 96.6% or higher

CLASS	BL	CW	RO	DCP	SL	FW	MW	LW	VB
White Junior Ewe Lamb	TC301	TC302	TC303	TC304	TC305	TC306	TC307	TC308	TC309
White Senior Ewe Lamb	TC310	TC311	TC312	TC313	TC314	TC315	TC316	TC317	TC318
Natural Colored Junior Ewe Lamb	TC319	TC320	TC321	TC322	TC323	TC324	TC325	TC326	TC327
Natural Colored Senior Ewe Lamb	TC328	TC329	TC330	TC331	TC332	TC333	TC334	TC335	TC336
White Ewe Yearling	TC337	TC338	TC339	TC340	TC341	TC342	TC343	TC344	TC345
Natural Colored Ewe Yearling	TC346	TC347	TC348	TC349	TC350	TC351	TC352	TC353	TC354
* Champion Ewe (Per Breed)									* Got To Be NC Champion Ewe (Per Breed)
* Reserve Champion Ewe (Per Breed)									* Got To Be NC Reserve Champion Ewe (Per Breed)
**Grand Champion Ewe									** Got To Be NC Grand Champion Ewe (Overall)
**Reserve Grand Champion Ewe									** Got To Be NC Reserve Grand Champion Ewe (Overall)

Pair Ewes	TC355	TC356	TC357	TC358	TC359	TC360	TC361	TC362	TC363
White Fleece	TC364	TC365	TC366	TC367	TC368	TC369	TC370	TC371	TC372
Natural Colored Fleece	TC373	TC374	TC375	TC376	TC377	TC378	TC379	TC380	TC381
**Grand Champion Pair									
**Grand Champion Fleece									
**Premier Exhibitor									
**Wacky Trio Champion Overall (2 ewes same color, 1 ewe opposite color)									
* Shepherd's Awards (Rosettes Only) (1st-5th)									

PREMIUMS	1 st Place \$20	2 nd Place \$15	3 rd Place \$12	4 th Place \$10
	5 th Place \$8	6 th Place \$5	7 th Place \$3	8 th Place \$2
	(*Rosette, **Trophy)			

CLASS

TC390 Costume Class

- Any exhibitor in the Junior Wool Breed Sheep Show may participate. The exhibitor may have the assistance of one other junior age person while in the ring. Exhibitors may use any ideas they wish on how to "dress" or "decorate" their sheep to represent any personality, place or thing, with emphasis on wool production. Costumes may consist of any material as long as it is not considered harmful to the animal or potentially harmful to other exhibitors. A 5 - 10 minute period will be allowed for "finishing touches" after the animals enter the ring.
- Presence in the show ring constitutes entry in the class.

Judging for Class TC390 as follows:

	Points
Relation to the wool industry	50
Safety to animals and exhibitors	20
Attractiveness	10
Originality and creativeness	10
Presentation	5
Promptness entering ring	5
Total	100

Rosettes for 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place, 4th Place and 5th Place

FLEECE SHOW

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Each fleece will be tagged with breeder number (this will be assigned when you check in), class entered, and breed. Fleeces should be clean, with minimal debris/vegetable matter. Do not wash or card fleece.
2. Entry fee is \$7 per fleece per class.
3. Fleeces need to be in a clear plastic bag.
4. In any case where questions arise that are not covered specifically by these rules, the decision of the superintendent / director will be final.

CLASS	BL	CW	RO	DCP	SL	FW	MW	LW	VB
White	TD401	TD402	TD403	TD404	TD405	TD406	TD407	TD408	TD409
Mixed Color	TD410	TD411	TD412	TD413	TD414	TD415	TD416	TD417	TD418
Natural Color	TD419	TD420	TD421	TD422	TD423	TD424	TD425	TD426	TD427

* **Champion White Fleece (Rosette)**

* **Champion Mixed Color Fleece (Rosette)**

* **Champion Natural Color Fleece (Rosette)**

PREMIUMS	1st Place \$30	2nd Place \$25	3rd Place \$20	4th Place \$18	5th Place \$16	6th Place \$14
	7th Place \$12	8th Place \$10	9th Place \$8	10th Place \$6	11th Place \$4	12th Place \$2

