



2024 New Mexico State Fair

Jr. Market Lamb Show

Superintendent: Cary Crist, Jess Pfeil

Judge: Andy Sloan, OH

Classifier: TBA

Classification: Sunday, September 8th at 4:00 p.m.

Weights will be due by 6:00 p.m.

Show: Tuesday, September 10th at 10:00 a.m.

****Entries Close August 1, 2024****

Division Rules

****See Junior Division General Livestock Rules****

1. New Mexico Brand Requirements: SHEEP AND GOATS

- Proof of ownership (NMLB "form 1" inspection certificate) must accompany the animal when traveling, whether in or out of district; this is the assurance that all requirements are met.
- A NMLB APPROVED fair ear tag provided by the NMLB, a N.M. registered tattoo and a Form 1 inspection issued by the NMLB.
- Sexually intact sheep and goats must have an official USDA Scrapie tag applied to the ear and/or breed registration tattoo.
- This rule applies to all species and breeds entered in junior shows.

2. Any animal shown in this department must continuously have been owned and personally cared for by the exhibitor since June 15 of the current year. Market Lambs must be tagged with NMLB ear tag, (no breeder names will be visible) and send in DNA and entry fees by June 15 of the current year to be eligible for entry. Breeder names will not be allowed to be seen and the breeder tags must be taped over or removed.

3. Any animal that has been sold through a premium sale (fair/expo sale) in any state or county may not be exhibited at the New Mexico State Fair.
4. Only wethers and ewe lambs may be exhibited in Market Lamb Classes. Only lambs (animals under one year of age) are eligible to show in the junior market classes.
5. At classification, market lambs head and legs must be washed and must be slick shorn with a uniform fleece no longer than 1/4" upon arrival at show ring.
6. The entry deadline is midnight August 1 of the current year. Entries will only be accepted on-line through the New Mexico State Fair website. The entry fee is \$15 per lamb. The entry fee for the Showmanship Class is \$5. There is no limit on the number of lambs each exhibitor may enter. **Late Entry Fee:** Late Entries will be accepted until August 10 of the current year with a late fee of \$10 per animal. **ALL ENTRIES WILL BE ENTERED & PAID ONLINE**
7. Health Requirements & Inspection Procedure:
 - The fair and show management will provide trained personnel with capability of sampling skin lesions and conducting a microscopic examination to determine the presence of ringworm at classification.
 - Sheep with active ringworm lesions will be denied entrance to the show.
 - Lambs must also be free of scabies, sore mouth and foot rot and other contagious diseases or will not be allowed to show.
 - No active lesions of trichophyton (Club Lamb Fungus).

Attention Sheep and Goat Exhibitors-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.

8. Exhibitors will declare their own lamb's show weight. Classification will be conducted at 4:00 pm on Sunday, September 8th. Market Lambs will be classified, and **weights will be due online by 6:00 p.m. and** must be submitted by all Junior Market lamb exhibitors. This will become the official weight for that animal. They will also be brand inspected and inspected by the veterinarian. Forms with breed designation will be given to exhibitors at this time. At judging the judge will pick the top lambs. These lambs will be re-weighed. Weights must correspond to the declared weight within 5 pounds to the top side (example: declared weight 100 pounds - lamb cannot weigh over 105 pounds, but can weigh any amount under 105 pounds). The lambs will then be placed. Any lamb not meeting the weight tolerance will be disqualified. NOTE: present weight breaks are listed under breeds' classes.
9. Absolutely NO dressing (such as oil, paint, dye, powder, etc.) other than water may be used on lambs. Any lamb with dressing other than water will immediately be removed from the ring and will not be allowed to compete.
Violators of this rule can be disqualified from the show by the judge and/or the superintendent.
10. Box fans will be allowed in the sheep barn only with the approval of the superintendent. All electrical cords must be underwriters approved. Metal fans cannot be attached to pens.
11. Pen bedding is allowed in the form of shavings or straw. No grass.
12. Sale lambs: decoration of market lambs is prohibited; lambs must be presented for sale in their natural state (i.e. No glitter, oil, paint, balloons, etc. allowed).

All 30 (+ or -) sale positions will be determined by the percentage method. The maximum number of items to be sold are 30% of the number of lamb exhibitors. There will be no exceptions. This means that in some cases involving small classes, a Reserve Breed Champion will not be eligible to sell in the Jr. Livestock Sale. In those breed classes where an odd number of sale positions result, the Breed Champion will pull the next highest placing lamb in his class up to fill the odd sale slot. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion are required to sell - Breed Champions are not. See Junior Livestock Sale Rule, Division 38 and Individual Breeds/Divisions for number of animals to sell per class.

13. United States Department of Agriculture Wholesome Meat Act:

The United States Department of Agriculture Wholesome Meat Act applies to the sale of market livestock sold during the New Mexico State Fair as follows:

- a. Animals must be in good health and carcasses free of drug or chemical residues.
- b. Antibiotics and sulfonamides have required withdrawal periods.
- c. Drug label directions for use and withdrawal periods must be followed.
- d. If drug or other chemical residues are found in tissue of carcasses, the entire carcass may be condemned.

A licensed veterinarian should be consulted, and drug label directions read, before administering any antibiotics or sulfonamides.

1. YQCA Certification

Any exhibitor entering a Junior Market Show at the New Mexico State Fair is required to take the YQCA test and receive their YQCA Certificate of Completion.

The YQCA, otherwise known as the YOUTH FOR QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS, is a multi species assurance program. Visit: <https://yqcaprogram.org/> to obtain your certification if you have not already done so.

This will replace Market Certification Forms.

14. Superintendents will release animals not making the sale two (2) hours after the show. Once an exhibitor obtains a written release, they may leave the grounds at any time. Once an animal(s) has left the grounds, it WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RETURN.

Showmanship

A showmanship contest will be held during the show and is open to all entered exhibitors. Champion showmanship buckles will be presented in Novice, Junior and Senior age groups. A showmanship class fee of \$5 must be paid at time of entry.

Class 1 – Novice Buckle for 1st place

Class 2 – Junior Buckle for 1st place

Class 3 - Senior Buckle for 1st place

Note* All breeds must have at least ten (10) lambs entered to have a breed class. No individual class will have less than ten (10) lambs. If a breed does not have at least ten (10) lambs, then those lambs will be combined as follows:

Less than 10 Fine Wool and Western Whiteface combined will go to the Fine Wool Cross. Less than 10 Fine Wool Crosses, Southdowns or Dorsets will go to Mutton Cross. Less than 10 Hair sheep will go to the Mutton Crosses.

Dorset

Note - Champion and Reserve Champion are eligible for the Jr. Livestock Sale if there is (1) class. If there are at least (20) lambs, then those lambs will be broken into (2) classes at the superintendent's discretion with the Champions and Reserve Champions eligible for the sale and 1st place from those classes.*

- 1. All weights
- 2. **Champion Dorset.....Ribbon**
- 3. **Reserve Champion Dorset.....Ribbon**

Fine Wool Cross

Note - Champions and Reserve Champions are eligible for the Jr. Livestock Sale and 1st place from those classes.*

Lambs must show 50 percent Fine Wool breed characteristics.

- 1. All weights
- 2. **Champion Fine Wool Cross.....Ribbon**
- 3. **Reserve Champion Fine Wool Cross.....Ribbon**

Hair Sheep

Note -Champions and Reserve Champions are eligible for the Jr. Livestock Sale and 1st place from those classes.*

Dorper, Katahdin and other breeds with hair sheep characteristics.

- 1. 1 All weights
- 2. **Champion Fine Wool.....Ribbon**
- 3. **Reserve Champion Fine Wool.....Ribbon**

Mutton Cross

Note - Champion and Reserve Champion are eligible for the Jr. Livestock Sale and 1st place from those classes. To include all lambs showing a cross of medium wool breeds listed or those of purebred characteristics that do not have a minimum breed (10) number. No Blackface.*

- 1. All weights
- 2. **Champion Mutton Cross.....Ribbon**
- 3. **Reserve Champion Mutton Cross.....Ribbon**

Southdown Sheep

Note -Champions and Reserve Champions are eligible for the Jr. Livestock Sale and 1st place from those classes. If there are at least (20) lambs, then those lambs will be broken into (2) classes at the superintendent's discretion with the Champions and Reserve Champions eligible for the sale and 1st place from those classes.*

Southdown breed characteristics.

4. All weights
5. **Champion Southdown.....Ribbon**
6. **Reserve Champion Southdown.....Ribbon**

Blackface – Division I

Note - The Champions and Reserve Champions are eligible for the sale and 1st place from those classes.*

1. All weights
2. **Champion Div 1 Blackface.....Ribbon**
3. **Reserve Champion Div 1 Blackface.....Ribbon**

Blackface – Division II

Note - The Champions and Reserve Champions are eligible for the sale and 1st place from those classes.*

1. All weights
2. **Champion Div 2 Blackface.....Ribbon**
3. **Reserve Champion Div 2 Blackface.....Ribbon**

Blackface – Division III

Note - The Champions and Reserve Champions are eligible for the sale and 1st place from those classes.*

1. All weights
2. **Champion Div 3 Blackface.....Ribbon**
3. **Reserve Champion Div 3 Blackface.....Ribbon**

Awards

Champion of Show Awards Market Lambs

Grand Champion Market Lamb of Show: Rosette & Buckle

Res. Grand Champ. Market Lamb of Show: Rosette & Buckle

A 3rd, 4th and 5th overall market lamb will be selected after the grand and reserve are chosen.

New Mexico State Fair Jr. Market Lamb Belt Buckles provided by:

