
Open Sheep – Department A04

All exhibitors are expected to be familiar with and follow all expectations covered at the beginning of this guide: Topics include:

1. **Exhibit Guide: Use only this year's guide. Follow the schedule listed on page 1.**
2. **Method of Registration:**
 - online at <http://nwsfa.fairwire.com>
 - Payment is required to complete registration.
 - A registration worksheet with fee details is available on the website.
 - Premise ID, YQCA and other required paperwork may be collected as part of the registration process.
 - By registering to exhibit at the Fair you authorize the use of your image (photo, audio, or video) for NWSF advertising and marketing.
3. **Perks of Registering**
4. **Exhibit Tags**
5. **Registration: Changes, Additions, Substitutions and Refunds.**
6. **Exhibit Arrival / Drop-Off:**
 - **All health or DATCP required paperwork must be presented to the Department Leaders prior to unloading any animal.** Purebred animals may be asked to show registration papers.
 - Display a printed information card over each stall or pen used for your animals. Some items which fair-goers may want to know include the name, breed, and age of each animal.
7. **Judging: DATCP allows classes with low entry numbers to be merged into an 'any other' class at the time of judging. And for large classes to be split into heats. The decision of the certified judge is final.**
8. **Premiums & Ribbons**
9. **Parking & Entry to the Grounds**
10. **Removal of Exhibits**
11. **Camping**
12. **Leadership Structure**
13. **Ethics for Non-Animal Exhibits (Open 14–28 & Junior 10–33) Show respect to everyone.**
14. Guidelines for Livestock Exhibits — Open (01–11) & Junior (01–13)
15. Ethics for livestock exhibits Open 01-11 & Junior 01-13 .
16. NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS – I.A.F.E.
17. Liability Information

Items specific to this department exhibitors agree to:

- A. A fee of \$10 per head is required. This fee also determines the number of animals eligible for stalling assignments.
- B. Exhibitors must be Wisconsin residents.
- C. Health paperwork required for this species: Scrappies
- D. Proof of ownership must be provided upon request.
 - An Animal Identification Form must be completed and submitted prior to unloading animals and must include the full scrapie, registration, or tattoo number.
 - Sheep from within Wisconsin need: If sexually intact they need official individual ID *at any age*; If not sexually intact, need official individual ID if they are *12 months or older*; Official ID includes scrapie ear tags or tattoos, USDA 840 ear tag, approved microchips if a reader is available and if accompanied by breed registration papers in the owner's name, or breed association tattoo if accompanied by registration papers in the owner's name; Cannot be under restriction for movement to fairs and shows
 - Ear tags and association numbers are required for all purebred animals.
- E. Upon request provide full pedigree and post office address, the name, age, sex and breed or description and registry number.

- F. Due to space limitations, there is a limit of 25 animals per Premise ID #.
- G. Any artificial coloring or oiling of any breed of sheep will bar the showing and will be discriminated against by the judge.
- H. Grooming: Registered wool breeds including Columbias, Corriedales, Rambouillets and Targhees shall be shown with two inches of wool or less. All meat breeds shall have been completely shorn not more than 2 months nor less than 2 weeks prior to show date.
- I. Breeding animals may not be exhibited in Market Class.

Age Definitions per DATCP, ATCP 160.07(1):

- **Individual Classes**

- (a) A spring lamb is one born on or after February 16 of the exhibit year.
- (b) A fall lamb is one born between September 1 and December 31 of the year preceding the exhibit year.
- (c) A winter lamb is one born between January 1 and February 15 of the exhibit year.
- (d) A yearling ram or ewe is one born outside the date of birth limitations in pars. (a) through (c). The age of yearlings may be subject to verification by a veterinarian's examination whose findings shall be final.

- **Group Classes**

- (a) A get of sire shall consist of 4 lambs or yearlings, or both, of either sex, from one sire, which were bred and are owned by the exhibitor.
- (b) An exhibitor's flock shall consist of one yearling or ram lamb, 2 yearling ewes and 2 ewe lambs which are owned by the exhibitor.
- (c) A junior division pair of lambs may include a spring or fall ram and spring or fall ewe lamb owned by the exhibitor.
- (d) A junior division flock shall be comprised of 3 sheep consisting of a yearling or lamb ram, an ewe lamb, and a yearling ewe, all of which are owned by the exhibitor.

Department Open Sheep #04

Division A: Suffolk

Division B: Hampshire

Division C: Dorset

Division D: Shropshire

Division E: Southdown

Division F: Tunis

Division G: Dorset Advantage

Division H: Wether Style

Division I: Natural Color

Division J: Any Other Breed, Meat Type Registered

Division K: Any Other Breed, Wool Type Registered

Division L – Commercial Ewes

Open Sheep Class # - Description

Premium	1st =\$6	2nd =\$5	3rd =\$4	4th =\$3
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1. Yearling Ram (previous year before 8/31)
2. Fall Ram Lamb (previous year 9/1 to 12/31)
3. Winter Ram Lamb (1/1 to 2/15)
4. Spring Ram (after 2/16)

Champion Ram, any age

Ribbon

Reserve Champion Ram, any age

Ribbon

5. Yearling Ewe (previous year before 8/31)
6. Fall Ewe Lamb (previous year 9/1 to 12/31)
7. Winter Ewe Lamb (1/1 to 2/15)
8. Spring Ewe Lamb (after 2/16)
9. Mature Ewe

Champion Ewe, any age

Ribbon

Reserve Champion Ewe, any age

Ribbon

Overall

Grand Champion Ram

Rosette

Reserve Grand Champion Ram

Rosette

Grand Champion Ewe

Rosette

Reserve Grand Champion Ewe

Rosette

Division M: Sheep Group Classes

Premium	1st =\$6	2nd =\$5	3rd =\$4	4th =\$3
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1. Get of Sire (4 lambs or yearlings owned by the exhibitor from same sire)
2. Exhibitors Flock (5 animals: 1 ram lamb or yearling, 2 ewe yearlings, 2 ewe lambs)

Division N - Market

Premium	1st =\$6	2nd =\$5	3rd =\$4	4th =\$3
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Class # - Description

1. All Market Sheep

- **All animals should enter Class 1. Entries will be moved to other Classes after weighing.**
- Approximate weight classes will be
 - Light (90 pounds or less)
 - Medium (91-120 pounds)
 - Heavy (121 pounds and up)

**Supreme Champion Market Sheep, overall,
Reserve Supreme Champion Market Sheep, overall**

**Banner
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Division O – Open Sheep Showmanship Ribbon Only

Sheep Class # - Description

1. Junior Showmanship (8-11)
2. Youth Showmanship (12-18)
3. Adult Showmanship (19+)

Division P – Open Displays related to Sheep

Premium	1st =\$5	2nd =\$4	3rd =\$3	4th =\$2
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Class # - Description

1. Display sheep fleece
2. Display of wool
3. Wool Apparel, handmade
4. Wool item, handmade (not apparel)
5. Art item, related to Sheep wool/fleece

** Consider entering apparel, wool items and art in Department A28 Home Furnishings or A26 Clothing, or A16 Cultural Arts. These Departments have display space in Building A and are on display throughout the fair.