

Sheep

4-H and FFA Department 202

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Superintendent: Eric Appel

Online Entries at www.PalouseEmpireFair.com

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Exhibitors are responsible to read and comply with:

- Palouse Empire Fair General Rules & Regulations.
- 4-H & FFA Rules and Regulations.
- Jr Market Stock Sale Rules and Regulations
- IAFE Show Ring Code of Ethics.
- Department Rules and Regulations (listed below).
- Rules and Regulations posted in Barn.

Additional Rules and Regulations

- **Official Scrapie Tag Requirement:** All female sheep and goats, intact breeding males, must be identified with an official Federal Scrapie Flock Identification Tag prior to being admitted for exhibition or sale at the Palouse Empire Fair. This requirement follows with Washington Administrative Code (WAC) Chapter 16-89 "Sheep and Goat Scrapie Disease Control". Listed sheep or goats without proper identification will be refused entry into the Palouse Empire fair.
- No washing of sheep at the Fair without permission of Sheep Barn Superintendent
- Call the Fair Office if you have any cancellations prior to the Fair to allow for adjustments in setting up pens.
- Exhibitor numbers and breeding stock information shall be given to the record keeper as you weigh in.
- No animal is eligible to enter in both market and breeding stock classes.
- Heavy muscled lambs will not be allowed to go through the Market sale or be entered in a market class. They can be shown in the appropriate breed class.
- **Lamb Tail Docking:** Scientific research indicates that the incidence of rectal prolapse is reduced when the tail is docked in a non-extreme manner. Complete tail removal (extreme docking) is not an accepted sheep production practice and will be discouraged at the Palouse Empire Fair. In order to determine extreme

docking, the gray tail docking measuring device will be used. The device will be raised in vertical plane and should catch enough tail to lift: this is comparable to two fingers width. A violation has occurred if there is inadequate tail to lift. The exhibitor will be informed with a correction expected for future Palouse Empire Fair participation.

- Lambs are not allowed out of the barn during the Fair with the exception of showing in the arena, prep work on the stands between Sheep and Swine Barns, and removal of lamb to exhibitor's home. Removal is only allowed with Superintendent's permission and knowledge.

Division A = FFA Fitting and Showing

Division B = 4-H Fitting and Showing

Points Awarded: Blue 80, Red 50, White 20

Class:

1. 4-H Junior 8-10 years
2. 4-H Intermediate 11 – 13 years
3. 4-H Senior 14 - < 19 years
4. FFA Beginner: No previous sheep experience
5. FFA Novice: Freshman & Sophomore
6. FFA Advanced: Junior & Senior

Division C = FFA Market Lambs

Division D = 4H Market Lambs

(Ewes or Wethers)

Points Awarded: Blue 80, Red 50, White 20

Class:

1. All market lambs will be entered in Sub-Class 1 and they will be divided into classes according to weight.

Division E=FFA Educational Displays

Division F=4-H Educational Displays

Points Awarded: (Listed below each Class)

Class:

1. Individual Poster or Display
Points: Blue 25, Red 20, White 15
2. Group Barn Display
Points: Blue 35, Red 25, White 15

Division G= FFA Breeding Stock

Division H=4-H Breeding Stock

Hampshire, Suffolk, Rambouillet, Columbia,

Romney, Cheviot, Dorset, Crossbred

Points Awarded: 1st 40, 2nd 30, and 3rd 20

Class:

1. Ram, one year and under two

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2. Ram lamb, under one-year Grand Champion ram over all Rosette Reserve Grand Champion ram over all Rosette
 3. Ewe, one year and under two
 4. Ewe, under one-year Grand Champion ewe over all Rosette Reserve Grand Champion ewe over all Rosette
 5. Mature ewe, over two year
Points: 1st 60, 2nd 40, 3rd 25
 6. Flock, consists of one ram, any age; two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs
 7. Pair of ram lambs
 8. Pair of ewe lambs
 9. Pair of yearling ewes
- The Groom Squad may bring the following materials: cards, hand shears, rags and two buckets of water. (No wetting of the fleece.)
 - Groom Squads will be judged on the following: Fitting of animal and team work 60%, Squad's appearance and handling of animal 20%, Knowledge of showing 10%, Cleanliness of area 10%
 - If enough interest is shown, there will be an adult class held at the same time. Ribbons will be awarded similar to 4-H and FFA members.

Costume Class

No Points Awarded

- This class is open to all youth and adults within the Sheep Department and is designed for the exhibitor's enjoyment and a chance to show off their creativity and imagination, while protecting the sheep from harm and cruelty.
- No spray paint, glitter, glue or other adhesives will be allowed on the lambs. Remember, they cannot be washed afterward! Halters will remain on the lambs while being shown.
- Adults: you will have to borrow a lamb from a youth within the Sheep Barn prior to the class. No sheep will be allowed to be brought onto the fairgrounds after the Fair has begun.

Division I = FFA Sheep Grooming Contest

Division J = 4-H Sheep Grooming Contest

Points Awarded: Blue 80, Red 50, White 20

The purpose of the "Groom Squad" contest is to demonstrate fitting of sheep for showing.

- Competing Groom Squads will be comprised of 4 4-H and/or FFA members who are registered exhibitors of the Fair.
- Rules for Fitting and Showing will be according to 4-H Manual E.M. 1982.
- One hour will be allowed to fit the sheep.
- No electric clippers or cruelty to the animal will be permitted.
- Sheep and trimming stands will be provided for each squad.

Division K = FFA Junior Wool Show

Division L = 4-H Junior Wool Show

Points Awarded: Blue 15, Red 10, White 5

The Junior Wool Show is open to 4-H and FFA members. Fleeces are to be shown as they come from the sheep, tied in a neat bundle with fleece twine or in a non-plastic sack. Entries in the wool show shall be on the grounds by 9:00 p.m. Wednesday.

Class:

1. Fine Wool Fleece
 - a) Grand Champion - Rosette
 - b) Reserve Grand Champion - Rosette
2. Medium Wool Fleece
 - a) Grand Champion - Rosette
 - b) Reserve Grand Champion - Rosette

Special Contests and Awards

Parents to the Halter

Any adult involved in sheep projects with any club, child or community is able to participate in this new event. Please see the rules in the Open Class Section.

Four Star Supply, Inc

4-H & FFA Fitting & Showing Award

Awards: (Paid in Premium Check)

Awarded: Grand Champion=\$40

Reserve Grand Champion=\$20



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Whitman County Wool Growers Association
Fleece Champion Award

Awards: (Paid in Premium Check)

Whitman County Wool Growers Association, will award a \$5.00 premium on the Grand Champion Fleeces in the fine and medium wool classes and \$2.50 premium on the Reserve Grand Champion Fleeces in the fine and medium wool classes.

Whitman County Wool Growers Association
Groom Squad Award

The Whitman County Wool Growers Association, will award a \$10 cash award to the first-place squad and \$5 to the second-place squad.

Ernie Dippel Round Robin Memorial


Award: 1st=\$200, 2nd=\$100


(In Premium Check)

See Round Robin section for complete contest rules.



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