

# JUNIOR MARKET WETHER LAMB SHOW

Divisions 149 – 157

## Sheep Committee

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## Judge

Nolan Hilderbrand – Paso Robles, CA

**Nomination Deadline:** Friday, July 1, 2023

**Entry Deadline:** Friday, August 25, 2023

**May Begin Arrival:** Monday, October 2, 8 am

**In Place By:** Monday, October 2, 7 pm

**Showmanship:** Monday, October 2, 6 pm

**Weights Due:** Monday, October 2 at 9 pm online

**Classification:** Tuesday, October 3, starting at 8 am in the following order: Southdown, Shropshire, Dorset, White Face Cross, Hair Sheep, Hampshire, Suffolk, Natural Colored, Black Face Cross

**Judging:** Tuesday, October 3, 1 pm in the Ranger Arena.

Show Order: Southdown, Shropshire, Dorset, White Face Cross, Hair Sheep, Natural Colored

**Judging:** Wednesday, October 4, 8 am in the Ranger Arena.

Show Order: Suffolk, Hampshire, Black Face Cross

**Released:** All Sheep and Tack must be out of pens by 8 pm Wednesday, October 4.

## DIVISION RULES

1. **Read General Rules:** All exhibitors and participants are required to read and comply with the General Rules and Regulations, Show Ring Code of Ethics, Animal Health Regulations, and the Division Rules.
2. **Ownership:** Exhibitor must have owned, cared for and fed daily the wethers from date of nomination.
3. **Nominations:** Wether Lambs showing at the Tulsa State Fair must have nomination information submitted online and mail DNA sample to the Tulsa State Fair office postmarked by July 1, 2023. For junior market animal nomination and entry procedure, please refer to Junior General Rules and Regulations and the Nomination page on the Tulsa State Fair website.
4. **Show Limit:** An exhibitor may show a total of three (3) wethers. (No ewes will be permitted in the Market Show)
5. **Teeth:** All wethers must have lamb's teeth with no visible signs of permanent teeth. Teeth will be checked at classification.
6. **Ear Tags:** All market wethers entered will be issued an ear tag during nominations and must have the ear tag properly in the ear when entering the show ring.
7. **Penning:** Pens will be assigned by designated superintendent by County. All sheep must reside in their assigned pens during the duration of the Tulsa State Fair. No curtains or enclosures permitted on the front, sides, or top of stalls.
8. **Shearing:** Prior to classification, all wethers must be slick shorn to the skin. No flank, fore arm, or twist wool. No spot shearing.
9. **Weights Due:** All weights must be submitted online by 9 pm on Monday, October 2.
10. **Weight:** Minimum weight limit is 85 lbs. There is no maximum weight limit. There will be no official weigh-in of wethers. Unofficial scales in the Super Duty Barn will be available for weighing daily from 7 am to 11 pm. Scales will be calibrated by show officials daily. Weighing on the official scales in the show ring will not be permitted.
11. **Weigh Back:** Upon completion of each class, the Superintendents will weigh a minimum of the top five (5) wethers. Any wether which has gained more than 5 pounds from the weight listed on the official weight card will be disqualified.
12. **Classification:** All Junior Wether Market Lambs will be mouthed and classified by the classification committee made up of three classifiers appointed by Show Management. If a lamb does not meet breed classification, it will move to the appropriate division by the classification committee. The judgment of the classification committee is final and not subject to protest.
13. **Grooming Stands:** Grooming stand permits may be purchased for \$10 at the time of entry or in the Livestock Office. For safety purposes, grooming stands will not be allowed in any walking area or aisles. All grooming stands will be issued an official identification tag, which must be displayed on the grooming stand. Space is not guaranteed for grooming stands.
14. **Grooming:** Animals are to be shown in natural conformation and color. Artificial coloring, paint, or powder will not be permitted for use on wethers during the entire show.
15. **Muzzles:** Soft muzzles are permitted in the stalls only. Soft muzzles must be removed from lamb any time they are taken from their stall for any reason. Failure to use soft muzzles in the stall only will constitute disqualification.
16. **Prolapse:** Any visible prolapse in the show ring will automatically be disqualified by the show superintendent.

17. **Striking/Slapping:** An exhibitor, or anyone assisting an exhibitor, is not allowed to aggressively or loudly pop, slap or strike their sheep at any time during the show or at any place on the fairgrounds property. Failure to abide by this rule will result in disqualification.

18. **Night of Champions:** The Night of Champions is a celebration to recognize the achievements of the youth of Oklahoma who exhibited at the Tulsa State Fair. Project scholarships will be presented at NOC and add on contributions will be accepted online. NOC is non-terminal for all steers with the exception of the Grand Champions and Reserve Grand Champions. Grand Champion Lamb and Reserve Champion Lamb will be harvested for carcass evaluation.

19. **Selection of Night of Champions:** The Night of Champions is non-terminal with the exception of the Grand Champions and Reserve Grand Champions. The number of lambs that qualify will be based on the total number of lambs entered in the show. A total of 40 lambs will be selected. The first wether lambs to qualify will be the breed champions and reserve breed champions of each breed shown. When selecting the order, the judge shall select all breed champions. The reserve breed champions will follow in the same breed order. The number of wethers selected by the judge in each breed will be on a percentage basis of the total number shown with a minimum of 2 per breed.

20. **Class Breaks:** Wethers will be divided into weight classes within breeds according to the following schedule:

NUMBER OF HEAD	CLASSES
Less than 75	2
76 - 100	3
101 - 125	4
126 - 150	5
151 - 175	6
176 - 200	7
201 - 225	8
226 - 250	9
251 - 275	10
276 - 300	11
301 - 325	12
326 - 350	13
351 - 375	14
376 - 400	15
401 - 425	16
426 - 450	17
Over 450	18

### Awards

Class Premiums	1 <sup>st</sup> - \$50, 2 <sup>nd</sup> - \$40, 3 <sup>rd</sup> - \$30, 4 <sup>th</sup> - \$20, 5 <sup>th</sup> - \$10
Breed Champion	Banner & Buckle
Reserve Breed Champion	Banner & Buckle
Grand Champion	Banner , Traveling Trophy & Buckle
Reserve Grand Champion	Banner & Buckle