

**Sheep/Tack/Displays released Saturday night 10-11pm & Sunday 9 am to noon
No Sheep/Displays/Tack to be taken down/packed up/removed from building before 10 pm
Saturday (Includes decorations, tools, supplies, animals, etc.)**

**ALL SHEEP EXHIBITORS MUST BE PRESENT SUNDAY morning to clean up and help
fold/stack pens.**

Then, sign out with Department Superintendent.

**EXHIBITORS who fail to comply with the above or fail to sign out will
FORFEIT PREMIUMS**



**DEPARTMENT 26 - WOOL SHEEP
SARA ANI - Superintendent**

SPECIFIC RULES

1. All exhibitors must comply with Sheep Dept. General Rules. NOTE: rules #9 and #10.
2. A \$2.00 fee will be assessed for each animal entered. THESE NON-REFUNDABLE FEES MUST BE MAILED TO Valerie Harlan by June 1st. This fee is separate from the tagging fee assessed by the MD 4-H Program to purchase the animal ear tag.
3. **Show Attire:** 4-H exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in show ring, as clearly stated in Rule #23 of the General Rules and Regulations.
4. All exhibits must be in place on Wednesday by 9:30 pm.
 - Animal Exhibitors must have registration and health papers available at all times.
 - ALL REQUIRED EAR TAGS (farm tag, 4-H tag, RFID tag, scrapie tag) MUST BE IN PLACE PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT THE FAIR GROUNDS. Animals without required tags upon arrival to the Fair Grounds will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the Fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.
 - All sheep are required to have appropriate scrapie identification (see Sheep Dept. rule #9).
5. All purebred wool sheep must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and must have been owned and registered with the appropriate breed associations in the name of the exhibitor by July 1 of the current year. (Sheep registered with the Natural Colored Wool Growers Association will be included in this category.) **Leased breeding sheep** must comply with Livestock Department General Rule #4. The Sponsor must sign the section on Lessee Compliance in the Lease Agreement and a copy of the signed Lease Agreement **MUST BE MAILED TO** Valerie Harlan.
6. All crossbred or commercial wool sheep must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and have been registered with the 4-H office by May 1 and ear tagged with an official 4-H ear tag.

7. Wool sheep will be judged 60% on wool and 40% on confirmation. Sheep entered in the Natural Colored Wool classes must have 35% colored fleece.
8. Purebred and crossbred or commercial wool sheep will compete in the same classes determined by wool grade.
 - a. Fine Wool – fleeces with counts of 60's and above. Examples: Merino, Ramboulet, Targhee, Crosses
 - b. Medium Wool– fleeces with counts of 58's & 50's. Examples: Corriadale, Montadale, Tunnis, Crosses
 - c. Long Wool – fleeces with counts of 48's to 44's. Examples: Romney, Border Leister, Lincoln, Cotswold, Crosses
 - d. Course Wool– fleeces with counts of 40's and below. Examples: Karakul, Scottish Blackface, Crosses

ONLINE ENTRIES—be prepared to type
Animal Name **4-H Ear Tag #**
Sier/Dam **Farm Tag #**
Breed Registration # **DOB – date of birth**
Scrapie Ear Tag #

SECTION A - FITTING & SHOWING

| Classes | | | | |
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| 1 st YR | JR | INT | SR | |
| 26101 | 26201 | 26301 | 26401 | Fitting and Showing |

NATURAL COLORED WOOL SHOW

SECTION B – FINE WOOL GRADE
SECTION C – MEDIUM WOOL GRADE
SECTION D – LONG WOOL GRADE
SECTION E – COURSE WOOL GRADE

Classes

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| 2601 | Yearling ram – ram under 2 years |
| 2602 | Ram lamb |
| 2603 | Pair of ram lambs (shown individually in class 2601 or 2602) |
| 2604 | Aged ewe – ewe over 2 years |
| 2605 | Yearling ewe – ewe under 2 years |
| 2606 | Pair of yearling ewes (shown individually in class 2605) |
| 2607 | Ewe Lamb |
| 2608 | Pair of ewe lambs (shown individually in class 2607) |

WHITE WOOL SHOW

SECTION F – FINE WOOL GRADE
SECTION G – MEDIUM WOOL GRADE
SECTION H – LONG WOOL GRADE
SECTION I – COURSE WOOL GRADE

Classes

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| 2609 | Yearling ram – ram under 2 years |
| 2610 | Ram lamb |
| 2611 | Pair of ram lambs (shown individually in class 2609 or 2610) |
| 2612 | Aged ewe – ewe over 2 years |
| 2613 | Yearling ewe – ewe under 2 years |
| 2614 | Pair of yearling ewes (shown individually in class 2613) |
| 2615 | Ewe Lamb |
| 2616 | Pair of ewe lambs (shown individually in class 2615) |

SECTION J – WOOL SHOW GROUP CLASSES

Classes

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| 2617 | Young purebred flock, to consist of 1 ram, yearling or lamb, 1 ewe, aged or yearling – 1 ewe lamb – white or natural colored, all owned by one exhibitor. (All shown individually) |
| 2618 | 4-H Club group, to consist of 3 sheep, white or natural colored, owned and exhibited by 3 different club members belonging to the same 4-H club. |

HERDSMAN AWARD

COW PALACE BEEF, DAIRY, GOAT, SHEEP AND SWINE HERDSMAN AWARD

Sponsored by the Warns Family
Exhibitors automatically entered

Each category is worth 10 points each. Exhibitors' areas will be judged approximately 3 times per day unannounced, at any time of the day, by unbiased individuals as well as the Dept. Superintendents. The scores from each day will be totaled at the end of the fair and the winner will be announced. Exhibitor's name must be clearly identified to be judged.

Judging Criteria:

1. Cleanliness and care of Animal
2. Cleanliness of Bedding
3. Cleanliness of Feed/Tack Area & Central Aisle
4. Attractiveness of Exhibitor's assigned area
5. Breed Promotion / Educational Display
6. Assigned area and Display identified with exhibitor's name