
DIVISION: SHEEP

4-H'ers in a sheep project may do one or both of the following:

- Participate in the sheep show (details on this page).
- Prepare an Animal Study Exhibit (Division: Animal Science) for display in the 4-H Exhibit Building.

COVID-19 GUIDELINES:

Ogle County 4-H will be adhering to the following guidelines developed by the University of Illinois, Illinois 4-H, and approved by the Ogle County Health Department. Changes to these guidelines will be sent to families if Illinois reaches Phase 5 or goes back to Phase 3.

1. Our office will only offer a virtual option if someone is not comfortable with attending in person judging. Livestock Virtual Judging request must be made by June 30th by completing the Reasonable Accommodation paperwork provided on our website.
2. Adhere to 50 people maximum in a defined space if in Phase 4, or 25 people maximum in a defined space in Phase 3.
3. Phase 4 Safety Protocols are as follows:
 - Face coverings are required for all youth, spectators, volunteers, and staff when within the defined 4-H event space (inside or outside).
 - Everyone in attendance will practice social distancing during the event, including maintaining six feet of separation (both indoors and outdoors) from those who are not in their households. To allow for social distancing, building and spectator capacity may be limited based on current public health department guidelines.
 - Handwashing and/or sanitizing stations will be provided throughout the venue.
 - Anyone who has experienced COVID-19 symptoms within the previous seven days is asked to stay home. COVID-19 symptoms include fever, cough, loss of taste or smell, or shortness of breath.

If any of these guidelines presents a challenge for you, please contact the Ogle County Extension office at 815-732-2191. We can discuss what accommodations are possible so that we can look for ways that all youth can safely participate in this event. Illinois 4-H reserves the right to adjust or cancel events in the case of identified risk, such as changes in local COVID conditions or known instances of non-compliance with safety guidelines.

SHEEP DEPARTMENT SCHEDULE

Check-in – Wednesday, July 28, 2021, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Weigh-in - Thursday, July 29, 2021, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Judging - Thursday, July 29, 2021, 5:00 p.m.

Check-out – Sunday, August 1, 2021 2:00 p.m. (*Families with last names beginning with E – L*)

Check-out – Sunday, August 1, 2021 3:00 p.m. (*Families with last names beginning with M – Z*)

Check-out – Sunday, August 1, 2021 4:00 p.m. (*Families with last names beginning with A – D*)

SHEEP COMMITTEE

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SHEEP RULES

1. Please read the *General Rules and Animal Department Rules* found in the front of the book. All these rules apply. See the *2021 Exhibition Livestock Health Requirements* for health paper requirements. All sheep must have scrapie I.D. ear tag and endorsement on health papers stating that the sheep are not showing clinical signs of scrapie to be allowed on the fairgrounds.
2. **ATTENTION ALL 4-H'ers:** All youth showing sheep are required to have a current certification in Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) during the current show year. Certification must be completed by May 1st.
3. Each 4-H exhibitor must have owned all sheep and have fed and cared for them as part of a 4-H project by May 15 of the year shown. All purebred sheep must be registered solely in the name of the 4-H member.
4. All sheep exhibited must be ear tagged or tattooed for identification and will be checked into the entry book with these numbers. Purebred papers will be checked. Times for check-in will be posted in the barn.
5. All lambs must be less than one year old and have lambs' teeth (all small teeth). Yearling ewes must be one year old and under two based on September 1 cut-off date. Mouth characteristics of a yearling are no more than two large permanent incisors. All sheep will be mouthed by the judge and over-aged sheep will be disqualified.

6. 4-H exhibitors must show their own sheep in single entry classes. Arrangements for the help of another Ogle Co. 4-H'er are allowed for group classes, multiple entry classes, or when showing in more than one class at the same time.
7. Commercial classes are for entries of grade or crossbred sheep and must be slick shorn in the previous 30 days. A separate award for champion commercial ewe is given and therefore these ewes are not eligible for other overall awards.
8. Senior and Junior lamb classes split as follows. For Cheviots, Oxfords, Shropshires, and Southdowns: Sept. 1 - Feb. 15 for Seniors; Feb. 16 and after for Juniors. For all other breeds: Sept. 1 - Dec. 31 for Seniors; Jan. 1 and after for Juniors.
9. Exhibitors requesting early dismissal or late arrival must complete the *Late Arrival/Early Dismissal Request Form* available online at: <https://extension.illinois.edu/bdo/4-h-ogle-county> or from the Extension office. See *Animal Rules & Regulations* for further details.
10. **Young Flock** class consists of a ram lamb, a ewe lamb, and a yearling ewe.
11. **Market lamb classes:** Ewe lambs will be allowed to show in the market lamb class. If the ewe lamb is shown in the market lamb class then it will not be allowed to show in the breeding classes. Market lambs must be castrated or pinched prior to June 1. Market lambs must be 80 pounds minimum weight. A total of three market lambs are allowed per exhibitor (not more than two per class) and one pair of market lambs. Market lambs must be slick shorn within five days of show. All market lambs must have ear tags.
12. Registration papers will not be required for market lambs, but animals must carry breed characteristics. The 4-H Sheep Committee will make final decision.
13. Members enrolled in the Market Lambs classes will be split by weight, which will be determined after weigh-in on Thursday, July 29, 2021.
14. 4-H members are limited to receive one premium per weight class exhibited in premium-eligible projects.

Showmanship Rules

1. Junior Showmanship will be for youth ages 8 – 11 years old as of September 1, 2020.
Intermediate Showmanship will be for youth ages 12 – 14 years old as of September 1, 2020.
Senior Showmanship will be for youth ages 15 – 18 years old as of September 1, 2020.
2. All 4-H'ers are eligible for showmanship.
3. Pre-registration is required in Fair Entry to receive a premium. Last minute entries may not receive a premium.
4. When an exhibitor wins showmanship, they may continue to compete in future years in the same class.

SHEEP CLASSES

Section 1 - Breeding Classes

101 Southdown Sr. Ewe Lamb	122 Hampshire Jr. Ewe Lamb	141 Other Purebred Sr. Ewe Lamb – Meat Breed
102 Southdown Jr. Ewe Lamb	123 Hampshire Yearling Ewe	142 Other Purebred Jr. Ewe Lamb – Meat Breed
103 Southdown Yearling Ewe	124 Hampshire Ram Lamb	143 Other Purebred Yearling Ewe – Meat Breed
104 Southdown Ram Lamb	125 Hampshire Pair of Lambs	144 Other Purebred Ram Lamb – Meat Breed
105 Southdown Pair of Lambs	126 Oxford Sr. Ewe Lamb	145 Other Purebred Pair of Lambs – Meat Breed
106 Dorset Sr. Ewe Lamb	127 Oxford Jr. Ewe Lamb	146 Other Purebred Senior Ewe Lamb – Wool Breed
107 Dorset Jr. Ewe Lamb	128 Oxford Yearling Ewe	147 Other Purebred Junior Ewe Lamb – Wool Breed
108 Dorset Yearling Ewe	129 Oxford Ram Lamb	148 Other Purebred Yearling Ewe – Wool Breed
109 Dorset Ram Lamb	130 Oxford Pair of Lambs	149 Other Purebred Ram Lamb – Wool Breed
110 Dorset Pair of Lambs	131 Columbia Sr. Ewe Lamb	150 Other Purebred Pair of Lambs – Wool Breed
111 Suffolk Sr. Ewe Lamb	132 Columbia Jr. Ewe Lamb	
112 Suffolk Jr. Ewe Lamb	133 Columbia Yearling Ewe	
113 Suffolk Yearling Ewe	134 Columbia Ram Lamb	
114 Suffolk Ram Lamb	135 Columbia Pair of Lambs	
115 Suffolk Pair of Lambs	136 Natural Colored Sr. Ewe Lamb	
116 Corriedale Sr. Ewe Lamb	137 Natural Colored Jr. Ewe Lamb	
117 Corriedale Jr. Ewe Lamb	138 Natural Colored Yearling Ewe	
118 Corriedale Yearling Ewe	139 Natural Colored Ram Lamb	
119 Corriedale Ram Lamb	140 Natural Colored Pair of Lamb	
120 Corriedale Pair of Lambs		
121 Hampshire Sr. Ewe Lamb		

Combined Breeding Classes

151 Black Face Breeds Young Flock	152 White Face Breeds Young Flock
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Section 2 - Commercial Classes

153	Commercial Sr. Ewe Lamb	155	Commercial Yearling Ewe
154	Commercial Jr. Ewe Lamb	156	Commercial Pair of Lambs

Section 3 - Market Lambs

157	Southdown	163	Columbia	169	Pair of Whiteface Market Lambs
158	Dorset	164	Shropshire		
159	Suffolk	165	Montadale	170	Pair of Blackface Market Lambs
160	Hampshire	166	Any Other Breed: Meat		
161	Corriedale	167	Any Other Breed: Wool		
162	Oxford	168	Crossbred		

SHEEP AWARDS

Champion Jr. Showmanship
Champion Intermediate Showmanship
Champion Sr. Showmanship
Grand Champion Yearling Ewe
Grand Champion Ewe Lamb
Grand Champion Pair of Lambs
Grand Champion Ram Lamb
Champion Blackface Market Lamb
Champion Whiteface Market Lamb
Grand Champion Pair of Market Lambs
Grand Champion Commercial Ewe
Grand Champion Young Flock
Grand Champion Overall Female
Reserve Grand Champion Overall Female
Grand Champion Overall Market Lamb
Reserve Grand Champion Overall Market Lamb

