

SHEEP - DEPARTMENT F
Judged Friday August 6, 2021, 5:00 p.m.
Superintendent: Bill Kuhn
Assistant Superintendent: David Vandeburg

Appropriate attire is expected in the show ring and sale ring. Safety should be the issue for the attire. Suggested attire: hard shoes, long pants and a collared shirt. (No shorts, open toed shoes, or hats.) Face covering are required for all youth, spectators, volunteers, and staff.

A 4-H member must be the owner of the animals exhibited at the fair. Professional fitters **will not be allowed** to assist in the 4-H Show. 4-H'ers may be assisted with the fitting of the animal by an immediate family member (mother, father, siblings or legal guardian) or by another 4-H member of DeKalb County when fitting the animal for show.

All youth showing a sheep project are required to be certified in Youth for the Quality Care of Animals during the current year.

Decisions made by the superintendents are final.

COVID -19 SOCIAL DISTANCING AND SAFETY PRACTICES

The following COVID-19 social distancing and safety practices reflect requirements of the Illinois Department of Public Health and University of Illinois event guidelines. These mitigation protocols may also be modified to reflect any requirements of the local public health department based on local conditions at the time of the event.

- 1. Face coverings are required for all youth, spectators, volunteers, and staff when within the defined 4-H event space (inside or outside).**
2. 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.
3. Handwashing and sanitizing stations will be provided throughout the venue.
4. 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 DeKalb County Extension office at 815/758-8194. 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.

Illinois Health Requirements for Sheep:

All animals, except as noted, shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) which shows that the animal meets all health requirements for the State of Illinois. CVI's shall be made available to Bureau of Animal Health Personnel on request.
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CVI means a legible record made on an official form from the state of origin which has been issued, signed and dated by an accredited veterinarian and which shows the name and address of the animal's owner or exhibitor and the results of all required tests or vaccinations. A CVI shall list only one animal identification per line; shall be presented on the form on which it was initially issued; and shall not be corrected, changed or altered in any manner.

All animals shall be officially identified. The animal(s) official identification shall be recorded on the CVI.

Individual identification of each animal shall be by an ear tattoo or official metal or plastic tag. A microchip ID is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.

Ear tattoos may be used when a registration certificate, listing the tattoo number, accompanies the animal.

When using ear tags, the tag must indicate the premises ID and state of origin. The tag number must be assigned by a state or APHIS representative and recorded in the Scrapie Record Database.

Market Lambs All market lambs must be slick shorn (show ring ready) before weigh-in so that show lamb fungus can be identified.

Illinois Sheep

1. Sheep originating from a flock that has previously been classified as either an infected or source flock can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved flock plan.
2. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection must include the date of birth and the flock of origin.

CVI for Illinois-origin livestock shall be void ninety (90) days after issuance.

4-H'ers leaving the fairgrounds before the completion of the livestock auction will forfeit auction premiums above floor/market price. All youth and animals are expected and required to remain on the fairgrounds until the completion of the auction.

RULES

1. Entries are limited to 8 breeding stock with only two in each breeding age class regardless of breed, and 4 market lambs, for a total of 12 animals. 4-H'ers should however make special note of rule # 2 as this will affect their 4-H premiums.
2. ***4-H members are limited to receive one premium per class/weight class exhibited in premium eligible projects. Example: If a 4-H'er has 2 breeding sheep they exhibit in class 90 Black Face Ewe Lamb, the 4-H'er will only receive one premium for that class. The same would be true for youth that have market lambs that end up in the same weight class. This rule was established by the Agriculture Premium Fund.***
3. All lambs must have been lambled after September 1, past year.
4. Sheep may be purebred or grade.
5. Ownership deadline: Market & Breeding Sheep: owned since May 1, present year.

6. Market lambs weigh-in time will be conducted by the sheep superintendents on Friday, August 6, 2021 from 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. All records will be completed by the weighing committee and proper entries made according to these initial weight records.
7. All market lambs must be slick shorn 10 days prior to coming to the fair.
8. *All sheep must be docked & completely healed prior to coming to show.*
9. Ewe lambs shown in breeding class cannot be shown in market classes and vice-versa.
10. All male lambs must be completely castrated and healed prior their entry onto the fairgrounds.
11. When lambs are being judged, they must have all 4 feet on the ground. No excessive lifting of the animals. Slapping will not be tolerated.
12. 4-H Premiums paid will be using an X factor. Premium values will be:
 Blue: 7X Red: 6X White: 5X

4-H BREEDING SHEEP CLASSES

- 85 **WHITE FACE EWE LAMB** (lambled after Jan. 1, 2021)
- 86 **WHITE FACE SENIOR EWE LAMB** (lambled between Sept. 1 to Dec. 31, 2020)
- 87 **WHITE FACE YEARLING EWE** (1 year & under 2 years)
- 88 **WHITE FACE AGED EWE** (2 years & over)
- 89 **WHITE FACE PAIR OF BREEDING LAMBS** (under 1 year)
- 90 **BLACK FACE EWE LAMB** (lambled after Jan. 1, 2021)
- 91 **BLACK FACE SENIOR EWE LAMB** (lambled between Sept. 1 to Dec. 31, 2020)
- 92 **BLACK FACE YEARLING EWE** (1 year & under 2 years)
- 93 **BLACK FACE AGED EWE** (2 years and over)
- 94 **BLACK FACE PAIR OF BREEDING LAMBS** (under 1 year)

MARKET LAMB CLASS

1. Market lambs may be wethers or ewe lambs. They will be identified & weighed by the superintendent and assistant superintendent from **12:30 to 3:00 p.m. on Friday, August 6, 2021**. All records will be completed by the weigh-in committee & entries properly made. It is highly recommended that market lambs weigh between 110 and 140 pounds.
2. Ewe lambs shown in breeding classes cannot be shown in market classes and vice-versa.
3. ***All market lambs should be slick shorn prior to their arrival at the fair to avoid any risk of the highly contagious lamb fungal infection of sheep skin.***
4. All single market lambs enter as class 100. After weigh-ins, lambs will be divided into weight classes as evenly as possible. See Rule #6 as this will affect premiums awarded.
5. All pairs of market lambs enter as class 101. After weigh-ins, lamb pairs will be divided into weight classes as evenly as possible. See Rule #6 as this will affect premiums awarded.
6. 4-H members are limited to receive one premium per weight class exhibited in premium eligible projects. Example: If a 4-H'er has four market lambs and two of them end up in the same weight class, the 4-H'er will only receive one premium for that weight class. This rule was established by the Agriculture Premium Fund.
7. All male market lambs must be completely castrated and healed prior to their entry on the fairgrounds.
8. Exhibitor may enter a maximum of 4 single market lambs, and a maximum of 2 pairs of market lambs.
9. 4-H Premiums paid will be using an X factor. Premium values will be:
 Blue: 7X Red: 6X White: 5X
10. All youth showing a sheep project are required to be certified in Youth for the Quality Care of Animals during the current year.

4-H SHEEP MARKET CLASSES

- 100 SINGLE MARKET LAMB** (All Breeds) Market Lamb classes will be further divided into multiple classes by weight.
- 101 ONE PAIR MARKET LAMBS** (All Breeds) Pair of Market Lamb classes will be further divided into multiple classes by weight.

SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

1. Showmanship Judging will be based on: Appearance of Animal 40%; Appearance of Exhibitor 10%; and Showing Animal in Ring 50%. The showmanship class will take place at the end of the sheep show.
2. There will be three divisions: Junior Division (members 11 years & under as of Sept. 1, 2020); Intermediate Division (members 12-14 years old as of Sept. 1, 2020); Senior Division (members 15 years & older as of Sept. 1, 2020).
3. Participants will always compete in their age appropriate division, and there is no limit to the number of times they may win their age division.
4. The winner in the senior division is eligible to compete in the Showmanship Sweepstakes, which will be held on Sunday, August 8, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in the swine arena.
5. Classes are open to all who are interested.
6. An exhibitor entering showmanship competition is required to show his/her own animal fitted by herself/himself.
7. The judge will select a plaque winner from each age group.

SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

Senior Showmanship: 15 years & over
Intermediate Showmanship: 12-14 years
Junior Showmanship: 11 years & under

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Plaque
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The Department of Agriculture shall use its best efforts to secure sufficient appropriations to fund premiums. In any year for which the General Assembly of the State of Illinois fails to make an appropriation sufficient to pay such premiums, premiums amounts may not be accurately reflected in this Premium Book.

SHEEP LEAD CLASS

**Sponsored by: DeKalb County Lamb & Wool Producers
Saturday, August 7, 2021
6:00 p.m. - Sheep Barn**

1. Entries in this class will be open to any exhibitor of sheep. Sheep must be an ewe or wether that is conditioned, fitted and trained at halter, and owned by the exhibitor.
2. The objective of this class is to present a class of well-groomed sheep, with young people dressed in fashionable WOOL clothing, at halter.
3. Decorations may or may not be used on the sheep. Judges will consider this in an overall appearance. Garments must be of wool or wool blends (50% is minimum content). Entrant's appearance and presentation of animal will constitute judging standards. *Each entrant will supply a brief resume about his/her outfit the day of the contest.*
4. The Sheep Lead class will be divided into 2 classes based upon the age of the

participants by the Superintendents of this program.

Lead Class Judging Criteria

- 50% - Outfit – based on the outfit worn by the contestant. Is the outfit made from wool? Does the outfit reflect the style that is worn by the aged of the contestant today? Does the outfit fit properly? Is the outfit colorful, etc.?
- 30% - Poise & Appearance – based on the poise of the contestant with the sheep. How is the overall appearance of the contestant?
- 20% - Sheep's Behavior & Appearance – based on the overall appearance of the sheep and behavior. Is the sheep clean and trimmed properly for the breed? How well is the sheep trained to lead?
- A blanket is optional on the sheep, but cannot cover more than 2/3 of the body of the sheep.

204 SHEEP LEAD CLASS (ages 8-18 as of Sept. 1, 2020)

The following premiums will be paid by the DeKalb County Lamb and Wool Producers for placings within the Sheep Lead Classes:

1st: \$20.00 2nd: \$15.00 3rd: \$10.00

SHEEP & GOAT COSTUME LEAD CLASS

Sponsored by: DeKalb County Lamb & Wool Producers

Saturday, August 1, 2021

6:00 p.m. - Sheep Barn

1. The purpose of this class is to get youth involved with sheep and goats while **promoting the lamb, wool, goat industry.**
2. Participation in this class is open to any youth exhibiting sheep or goats at this 4-H fair.
3. Any sheep/goat that has been exhibited at this fair may be used in this contest.
4. The exhibit is to be judged on the attractiveness and originality of the costume in **promoting lamb & wool or goat industry.** The participants shall not wear a costume that was used in previous years.
5. Decorations may or may not be used on the sheep/goat. Judges will consider this in an overall appearance. Entrant's appearance and presentation of animal will constitute judging standards.
6. Each entrant will supply a brief resume about his/her costume on the day of the contest.
7. The Sheep & Goat Costume Lead class may be divided into 2 classes based upon the age of the participants by the Superintendents of this program.

205 SHEEP & GOAT COSTUME LEAD CLASS (ages 8-18 as Sept. 1, 2020)

The following premiums will be paid by the DeKalb County Lamb and Wool Producers for placings within the Sheep & Goat Costume Lead Classes:

1st: \$ 15.00 2nd: \$10.00 3rd: \$7.00 4th: \$5.00

SHEEP CHAMPIONS

Champion White Face Ewe
Reserve Champion White Face Ewe
Champion Black Face Ewe
Reserve Champion Black Face Ewe

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Rosette
Rosette
Rosette
Rosette

Grand Champion Ewe	Plaque
Reserve Grand Champion Ewe	Rosette
Grand Champion Market Lamb	Plaque
Reserve Grand Market Lamb	Rosette
Grand Champion Pair Market Lambs	Plaque
Reserve Grand Champion Pair	Rosette
Champion Jr. Showmanship	Plaque
Champion Intermediate Showmanship	Plaque
Champion Sr. Showmanship	Plaque
Champion Lead Class	Rosette from Lamb & Wool Producers
Reserve Champion Lead Class	Rosette from Lamb & Wool Producers
Champion Costume Lead Class	Rosette from Lamb & Wool Producers
Reserve Costume Lead Class	Rosette from Lamb & Wool Producers