

## **DEPT G – SHEEP**

Judge: Tyler Wolken, Diller NE

### **Sheep Weighing Wednesday - 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

Purple award \$7; blue award \$6; red award, \$5; and white award \$4

**Health Requirements:** Health requirements printed in the Nebraska State Fair Book WILL apply. Refer to policy on ringworm and abscesses in front of 4-H section. Visual inspection required before weighing. Lambs should be dry, have all covers removed, and have been sheared within the last two weeks. The committee has the right to reject any lambs that are suspect. A veterinarian can be called and overrule the committee if they feel the health requirements are met.

A club member may enter two breeding sheep and three market lambs. The market lamb show will be divided by weight only.

Age Classification of Breeding Ewes – Ewes born September 1, 2015 or after are classed as lambs. Ewes born between September 1, 2014 and August 31, 2015 will be classed as yearlings. Ewes born prior to September 1, 2014 are ineligible to show. All ewe lambs must have all lamb or temporary teeth present; yearling ewes can have yearling teeth but cannot have two-year old teeth up. Ewes exhibiting two-year old teeth will be allowed to show, but will not be eligible to compete for champion. Classes may be divided at discretion of show management.

Sheep shown in breeding classes must be registered with the breed association by entry date and have flock tag, or tattoo and registration tag (if required by breed association) and be in the animal's ear at check-in. 4-H ear tags are not official identification for registered breeding ewes. Registration papers should be available upon request. Registration must be completed by fair date.

Commercial ewes must have official commercial 4-H breeding sheep ear tag in the ear. Tag number must be on the ID affidavit and be in the animal's ear at check-in.

USA Official Identification: All ewes and ewe lambs (market and breeding) must be individually identified with USDA Official ID tag in place (part of scrapie eradication program). This is in addition to 4-H identification.

Short scrotum, cryptorchid, or ram lambs are ineligible for market classes.

### **Sheep Showmanship (Note: Pre-Entry is required)**

G-30-9A	Junior – 8 to 11 years on January 1 of current year
G-30-9B	Intermediate – 12 to 14 years on January 1 of current year
G-30-9C	Senior – 15 and older on January 1 of current year

### **Breeding Ewe Classes**

#### **Yearling Ewes (Born September 1, 2015 to August 31, 2016)**

G-32-10	All Wool Breeds – Registered and Commercial
G-32-30	Dorset
G-32-50	Hampshire
G-32-70	Southdown
G-32-90	Suffolk
G-32-110	All Other Registered Meat Breeds

G-32-130 Commercial Meat Breeds

**Ewe Lambs** (Born September 1, 2016 and after)

G-32-20 All Wool Breeds – Registered and Commercial

G-32-40 Dorset

G-32-60 Hampshire

G-32-80 Southdown

G-32-100 Suffolk

G-32-120 All Other Registered Meat Breeds

G-32-140 Commercial Meat Breeds

G-32-901 Aged Ewes

**Market Lamb Class**

A live weight minimum of 100 pounds is required for the purple ribbon award in the market show. They will be shown in a feeder lamb class.

G-31-10 Market Lambs

G-31-900 Feeder Lambs – This class is for lambs weighing 99 pounds and under

G-31-901 Rate-of-Gain on Market Lambs – This class is for lambs shown in the market classes. Lambs must have their weight recorded at the County 4-H Official Sheep Identification Day in May. Every lamb is entered, best rate-of-gain qualifies for ribbon. (No entry card is required).

G-31-903 Pair of Market Lambs by Exhibitor – must identify which lambs will be used for the pen of two at the time of check-in/weigh-in.

G-31-904 Club group of five lambs. Lambs must be owned by at least three club members. Wethers and market ewes may be used for the group of five. No breeding lambs allowed. One group allowed per club.

**SHEEP LEAD CONTEST**

Judges: Tyler Wolken and Pam Schlickbernd

Premiums will be paid with a maximum purple award \$7; blue award \$6; red award \$5; and white award \$4

Trophies will be presented to the overall champion in each category.

The narrator for the contest will be picked at the time when the narrators for the 4-H Dress Revue are selected.

The contest is open to both male and female participants.

**RULES**

1. Participants must lead a wether or ewe by a halter.
2. Participant's apparel must be not less than 50% wool. Garment may be home constructed or purchased. The aim of the Sheep Lead Class is to present a stylish and becoming picture, to lend an air of elegance and prestige to the class. In addition, it will bring out the value of wool in sheep and its value in clothing apparel.
3. Entries may be sent to Nebraska Extension in Cuming County, 200 S Lincoln Str, Room 50, West Point NE 68788.
4. Entries must be in by 4:00 p.m. Friday, August 4, 2017
5. Entry includes: entry tag and commentary sheet

6. Commentary sheet should include enough information to last 2 minutes while the sheep is shown. It should include – name of sheep owner and breeder; (make arrangements for lamb prior to turn in entry); name of contestant (age, home town, and parents); description of the contestants outfit; interests and activities of the contestant; and any other interesting information about the contestant. Include a sample of material on the commentary sheet, for use by the narrator.

Judges will award points in the following categories: 40 points on the general appearance, fitting and leading ability of the sheep and the function of the sheep and contestant; and 60 points general appearance, selection and fit of the outfit, fashion consciousness of the contestant and the overall effect.

G-30-900        Pre-Junior Division – ages 7 and under (on January 1 of current year). Garment need not be constructed by contestant.

G-30-901        Junior Division – ages 8-14 years old (on January 1 of current year). Garment need not be constructed by contestant.

G-30-902        Senior Division – ages 15-19 years old (on January 1 of current year). Garment constructed by contestant.

G-30-903        Adult Division – 20 years old and over (on January 1 of current year). Garment constructed by contestant.

G-30-904        Decorator Division – open to anyone

The classes will be judged Thursday, August 10, 4:00 p.m. in the Watson Pavilion prior to the Sheep Show.