

## **DEPT G – SHEEP**

### **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, 2023, or after are classed as lambs. Ewes born between September 1, 2022, and August 31, 2023, will be classed as yearlings. Ewes born prior to September 1, 2022, 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. 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 scrapie tag, tattoo and registration tag (if required by breed association) and be in the animal's ear at check-in. Registration papers should be available upon request. Registration must be completed by fair date.

Commercial ewes must have scrapie tag in the ear. Tag number must be on the ID affidavit and be in the animal's ear at check-in.

USDA Official Identification: The official identification for all classes of sheep is a Scrapie Tag. No EID tags or 4-H tags are required for sheep.

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**

#### **Ewe Lambs (Born September 1, 2023, and after)**

- G-32-20 All Wool Breeds – Registered and Commercial
- G-32-40 Dorset Ewes
- G-32-60 Hampshire Ewes
- G-32-80 Southdown Ewes
- G-32-100 Suffolk Ewes
- G-32-120 All Other Registered Meat Breeds
- G-32-140 Commercial Meat Breeds

**Yearling Ewes (Born September 1, 2022, to August 31, 2023)**

G-32-21	All Wool Breeds – Registered and Commercial
G-32-41	Dorset Ewes
G-32-61	Hampshire Ewes
G-32-81	Southdown Ewes
G-32-101	Suffolk Ewes
G-32-121	All Other Registered Meat Breeds
G-32-141	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.

G-31-10	Market Lambs
G-31-900	Feeder Lambs – This class is for lambs weighing 99 pounds and under
G-31-901	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-31-902	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.