

SHEEP

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISIONS 130-135 – SHEEP

Division 130 Classes 910 - 930

Division 131-132 Classes 910 - 970

Division 133-134 Classes 910 – 950

Division 135 Classes 910 - 930

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GENERAL SHEEP SHOW RULES

A. See General Rules and General Livestock Rules and Regulations.

B. NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR - An exhibitor may show a maximum of 4 market sheep and 4 breeding sheep. Showmanship and Pen of Three Market Lambs do not count as entries.

C. IDENTIFICATION

Market Lamb - All market lambs must be tagged with a **USDA official scrapie ID**. All identification of market lambs must be documented on an Identification/Ownership Affidavit and submitted to the Extension Office by **June 15th**.

State Fair / AKSARBEN eligible Market Sheep must be tagged with **USDA official scrapie ID**, owned by the exhibitor have completed the online nomination entry by June 15 and have the DNA collector envelope with hair sample submitted to County Extension Office by June 15. **Youth will have until August 10 to declare if they will show 4-H or FFA at State Fair. Youth who choose to exhibit their animal in the FFA show at State Fair will be ineligible to show that animal at the AKSARBEN show.**

Breeding Sheep - All breeding ewes must be ear tagged with the **USDA official scrapie ID**, documented on the Identification/Ownership Affidavit. Ewes shown in breed classes must be registered with the breed association by entry date. Registration must be complete by fair date. The ID Affidavit must be submitted to the Extension Office by **June 15th**.

State Fair / AKSARBEN eligible Breeding Sheep must be tagged with **USDA official scrapie ID**, owned by the exhibitor have completed the online nomination entry by June 15 and have the DNA collector envelope with hair sample submitted to the County Extension Office by June 15. **Youth will have until August 10 to declare if they will show 4-H or FFA at State Fair. Youth who choose to exhibit their animal in the FFA show at State Fair will be ineligible to show that animal at the AKSARBEN show.**

D. PRE-ENTRY - All sheep exhibits, including showmanship, to be eligible to show at the County Fair must be pre-entered on a GREEN Entry Sheet (available at the Extension Office or online) OR entered online at <https://nemaha.fairwire.com>. Entries are due by **June 15th**.

E. SHOWMANSHIP – The use of showing and/or handling practices that may be considered objectionable or abusive, such as striking or slapping lambs and exhibiting the lamb with its feet off the ground, are not acceptable. The use of such practices may result in the lowering of a ribbon placing. (Lifting the lamb in a fluid motion to set the front legs prior to quickly setting the feet back on the ground is acceptable.)

F. WOOL MARKET LAMB RULES

1. **See General Rules and General Livestock Rules and Regulations.**

2. All market lambs (ewes and wethers) must be born on or after December 1st of the previous year. All market lambs must be completely slick shorn, including belly, to within ¼" PRIOR to arrival at show. Wool may be left on the legs ONLY below the knees and hocks.

3. **WEIGHT ELIGIBILITY** - To be eligible to show in the market class, Wool Lambs must weigh 100 pounds or more and **Hair Sheep must weigh 70 pounds or more on entry day.** A lamb weighing less than requirements will show in the feeder class and is not eligible for purple ribbons or to show for champion market lamb and will not be eligible for Premium Sale. (State Fair Weight Requirements are the same for Wool Lambs. No Hair Sheep classes are offered at the State Fair.) Both wether and ewe lambs will show together.

4. Short scrotum, cryptorchid or ram lambs are not eligible as market lambs.

5. A grand and reserve champion market lamb will be selected.

G. BREEDING EWE RULES

1. **See General Rules and General Livestock Rules and Regulations.**

2. Grade and commercial animals will be shown together. Each registered breed will show separately.

3. All registered and commercial "meat breed" breeding sheep must be completely slick shorn, including belly, to within ¼" PRIOR to arrival at show. Wool may be left on the legs ONLY below the knees and hocks. All registered and commercial "wool breed" sheep may be shown in the fleece.

4. No individual sheep may show in both a breeding and market class.

5. **AGE CLASSIFICATION** - 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 championship.

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISION 130 - SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

- CLASS 910 Senior Division - 14-18 years of age
- CLASS 920 Intermediate Division - 11-13 years of age
- CLASS 930 Junior Division - 8-10 years of age

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISION 131 BREEDING EWES – EWE LAMBS

(BORN AFTER SEPT 1, 2022)

- CLASS 910 All Wool Breeds
- CLASS 920 Dorset Ewes
- CLASS 930 Hampshire Ewes
- CLASS 940 Southdown Ewes
- CLASS 950 Suffolk Ewes
- CLASS 960 All Other Registered Meat Breeds
- CLASS 970 Commercial Meet Breeds
- CLASS 980 Registered Hair Breeds
- CLASS 990 Commercial Hair Breeds

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISION 132 BREEDING EWES – YEARLING EWES

(BORN BETWEEN SEPT 1, 2021 AND AUG 31, 2022)

- CLASS 910 All Wool Breeds
- CLASS 920 Dorset Ewes
- CLASS 930 Hampshire Ewes
- CLASS 940 Southdown Ewes
- CLASS 950 Suffolk Ewes
- CLASS 960 All Other Registered Meat Breeds
- CLASS 970 Commercial Meet Breeds
- CLASS 980 Registered Hair Breeds
- CLASS 990 Commercial Hair Breeds

- ~~CLASS 910 Ewe Lamb (Born March – May, this year)~~
- ~~CLASS 920 Ewe Lamb (Born January – February, this year)~~
- ~~CLASS 930 Ewe Lamb (Born Fall of last year)~~
- ~~CLASS 940 Yearling Ewe (Born March – May, last year)~~
- ~~CLASS 950 Yearling Ewe (Born January – February, last year)~~
- ~~CLASS 960 Yearling Ewe (Born Fall 2 yrs. ago)~~
- ~~CLASS 970 Aged Ewe (2 year & older)~~

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISION 133 REGISTERED RAMS

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISION 134 COMMERCIAL RAMS

- CLASS 910 Ram Lamb (Born January - May, this year)
- CLASS 920 Ram Lamb (Born Fall of last year)
- CLASS 930 Yearling Ram (Born January - May, last year)
- CLASS 940 Yearling Ram (Born Fall 2 years ago)
- CLASS 950 Aged Ram (2 years and older)

DEPARTMENT G - DIVISION 135 - MARKET LAMBS

- CLASS 910 Feeder Lambs (All Breeds) (Less than 100 lbs.)
- CLASS 920 Market Lambs (All Breeds) (100 lbs or more)
- CLASS 930 Feeder Hair Sheep (Less than 70 lbs)
- CLASS 940 Market Hair Sheep (70 lbs or more)
- CLASS 950 Pen of 3 Market Lambs