

DEPT. 03A – SHEEP

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**Mail entries to Columbia County Fair
P.O. Box 257 Chatham, NY 12037**

**ENTRIES & PAYMENT MUST BE POSTMARKED BY AUGUST 20, 2024
ENTRY FEE - \$4.00 PER ENTRY
JUDGING-SUNDAY, September 1st @ 10 AM**

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. **All** animals must be in place by 10:00 AM opening day Wednesday, AUGUST 28, **but may arrive no sooner than noon** on Tuesday unless other arrangements have been made.
2. Discharge time will be 7:00 PM Monday, Sept. 2nd. All vehicles for loading will not be allowed in the agricultural area until this time.
3. Premiums to be offered for Registered Purebred Sheep with the exception of Sections 11, 12, 13 and 24. Sheep Exhibitors in the Natural Colored classes are encouraged to have animals recorded with the Natural Colored Wool Growers Association.
4. Only two animals may be entered (*except in class 19 & 20*) and only two premiums will be awarded to any one exhibitor in any one class. Where there is no competition, prize money will be paid, according to the general rules.
5. Upon request, exhibitors must present to the superintendent a certificate of registration and/or sheep sales slip. All sheep entered must have been owned by the individual exhibitor 30 days prior to show day, must be fully registered with the breed association and must be accompanied by a valid registration certificate. Each sheep must have appropriate identification as prescribed by the breed association. Ear tags may be checked on show day.
6. Each exhibitor of sheep shall present to the superintendent a health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian indicating that his flock is free of all contagious or infectious diseases and are not under quarantine. Certificates are due upon arrival at the fair. All sheep must have a proper Scrapie Identification tag and Rabies Vaccination. Please see **Animal Health Requirements for Admission to New York State and County Fairs** (Part 351 of NYS Agriculture and Markets Regs.)
7. Sheep should be properly blocked and trimmed. Meat breeds not more than one inch of wool; wool breeds not more than four inches. Colored classes will be judged 60% wool, 40% body conformation and shall have no more than four inches of wool.
8. Please indicate on the entry form the section that applies to your breed.
9. Each breed represented by at least one exhibitor's flock and/or three exhibitors will have their own breed show.
10. Breeds that do not meet the above requirements will be AOB.
11. Please indicate the total amount of animals entered on your entry form.
Exhibitors may be asked to limit entries due to space limitations.
12. Rams and Ewes that show in breed classes cannot be shown in market class.
13. All animals entered in group classes must be entered in single classes and all registered under the same name.
14. Exhibitors may show only one entry in group classes, including pair classes.
15. No Rams may be shown in market classes.

PREMIUMS

Group Classes No.: (4, 8, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 29)

Individual Classes No.: (1, 2, 3, 7, 9, 10, 11, 26, 27, 28)

1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
\$35	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9 th	10th
\$35	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$5	\$5	\$5

SECTION

Section 1. Dorper	Section 13. Natural Colored-Med Wool
Section 2. Dorset	Section 14. Natural Colored-Long Wool
Section 3. Hampshire	Section 15. Bluefaced Leicester
Section 4. Jacob	Section 16. Natural Colored Border Leicester
Section 5. Shropshire	Section 17. White Border Leicester
Section 6. Southdown	Section 18. Gotland
Section 7. Suffolk	Section 19. Merino
Section 8. Tunis	Section 20. Rambouillet
Section 9. Wether Dam	Section 21. Romney
Section 10. AOB Meat	Section 22. Shetland
Section 11. Corriedale	Section 23. AOB Wool Blends
Section 12. Natural Colored-Fine Wool	Section 24. Market Lamb-see below

ALL CLASSES

1. **Yearling Ram** 1-year-old and under 2
2. Senior Ram Lamb - Fall - born after 9/1/23 and before 12/31/23
3. Junior Ram Lamb - Spring - born on or after 1/1/24
4. Ram Lamb - Pair
5. **Champion Ram of Breed-----Rosette**
6. **Reserve Champion Ram of Breed-----Rosette**
7. Yearling Ewe Lamb- 1-year-old and under 2
8. Pair Yearling Ewe
9. Senior Ewe Lamb – Fall, born after 9/1/23 and before 12/31/23
10. Intermediate Ewe Lamb: Born 1/1/24-1/31/24
11. Junior Ewe Lamb : born on or after 2/1/24
12. Pair of Ewe Lambs
13. **Champion Ewe of Breed-----Rosette**
14. **Reserve Champion Ewe of Breed-----Rosette**
15. Best Fleece: one entry per exhibitor per breed (ea exhibitor will automatically be entered per breed)
16. Best two females- bred and Owned by Exhibitor
17. Pen of three lambs -both sexes represented
18. Get of Sire- three sheep sired by the same ram, both sexes represented
19. Exhibitors Flock
(1) ram (2) yearling ewes (2) ewe Lambs
20. Breeders Flock (bred and owned by exhibitor)
(1) ram (2) yearling ewes (2) ewe Lambs
21. **Shepherds Award (no entry fee) \$50.00 Prize and Rosette**
Exhibitors will be judged on overall care and grooming of animals and general appearance of pen and tack area. Promotion of the sheep industry is very important. Exhibitors are encouraged to dress up their pen area in an effort to educate the public on sheep in America.
Premier Exhibitor- (Awarded to the exhibitor in each breed with the most points)
22. **Supreme RAM -----Rosette**
23. **Supreme EWE-----Rosette**
24. **Supreme Flock -----Julie Winkler Plaque and Rosette**
25. **Supreme Fleece-----Rosette**

SECTION: 24 Market Lambs (to be shorn after August 1, 2024)

26. LightWeight Market Lamb
27. Medium Weight Market Lamb
28. Heavyweight Market Lamb
29. Market Lamb – Pair
30. **Champion Market Lamb-----Rosette**
31. **Reserve Champion Market Lamb-----Rosette**

