

Division D – Jr. Fair Sheep

Senior Fair Board: Kyle Seaburn

Dates:

Market Lamb Possession: May 1, 2021
Market Lamb Tag and Weigh-In: Saturday, May 1 @ 9am-Noon and 3-6pm Breeding
Sheep ID Cards Turn in: Saturday, May 1 @ 9am-Noon and 3-6pm
Check-in: Saturday July 10, 2021 @ 8-Noon
Showmanship, Breeding, Market: Wednesday July 14, 2021 @ 10am
All non-selling sheep released: Friday, July 16, 2021 @ 10pm

DIVISIONS:

401 Showmanship
404 Yearling Ewe**
405 Ewe Lamb** (Must be born AFTER 9/1/2020)
406 Market Lamb

Show Order:

Sheep Showmanship – Market and Breeding together
(oldest to youngest)
Showman of Showmen
Breeding Sheep Show
Market Lamb Show

*Dorothy Murry Memorial Trophy is presented to the Sheep Showman of Showman

**Breeds: All Other Breeds, and Crossbreds.

***Note: No ram lambs will be shown.

Jr. Fair Sheep General Rules & Regulations

1. All market lambs and breeding sheep must be owned and in the possession of the exhibitor by May 1.
 - Market lambs must participate in the May tagging and weigh-in the first weekend in May, as well as be enrolled through 4-H or FFA. A family with more than one exhibitor showing market lambs may tag six (6) sheep, per exhibitor, in the family name.
 - Breeding sheep must be owned and in the exhibitors possession and continual care by May 1st but are not required to participate in the May tagging however; are required to turn in Identification Cards with ear tag numbers, the first weekend of May during the tagging (just bring the identification card with the tag numbers).
2. Market lamb exhibitors may tag up to 6 market lambs at the mandatory May 10, 2021 weigh-in, then choosing up to 2 lambs to show at time of check-in. (One exhibitor may not show more than 2 market sheep. A current junior fair exhibitor must show the second animal if both were to end up in the same weight class).

3. Breeding lambs must check-in and weigh-in between 8am on the first Saturday of the fair with their registration papers for the animal; the exhibitor's name must show as the owner of the sheep. If the papers are not available at time of check-in, then the animal will be placed in the Crossbred class.
4. All market lambs must weigh a minimum of 95 pounds and be born after January 1 of current year. Lambs weighing less than 95 pounds will not participate in the Premium Livestock Sale, they can be sold at market rate only if the exhibitor wishes.
5. All must meet health requirements set by the Senior Fair Board. Please refer to the open class requirements.
6. All breeding and market sheep must be properly cleaned and fitted to be presented to the judge.
7. All market lambs must be properly/completely castrated to be eligible to exhibit and/or sell at the fair. All animals will be examined during check-in. Any animal not abiding by the above rule will be sent home.
8. Sheep pens must be cleaned by 9 a.m. daily.
9. All market and breeding sheep must also be properly identified with a USDA Scrapie tag prior to unloading on check-in day.
10. Market lambs will be shipped to market either late Saturday or early Sunday morning. Exhibitors are responsible for the care and feeding of their animals from the sale until they are loaded for market.
11. All exhibitors must vacate the barn Saturday by 9pm and may return after all animals are loaded and off the grounds.
12. All lambs that are not selling in the Livestock sale must be removed from the fairgrounds on Friday after 10pm the week of the fair. This includes breeding and market lambs.
13. After the lambs are loaded, the pens must be cleaned out. Every exhibitor must check with a Junior or Senior livestock team member to make sure the cleanliness of their pen is acceptable. The final cleaning must occur after the lambs have been loaded. If pens are not cleaned out, the exhibitor may forfeit the right to exhibit the following year.
14. No sheep shearing in any show arenas. Shearing must be done in the barn area.
15. Any broken rules or regulations could forfeit the exhibitor from participation the following year.

Sheep Showmanship and Market

1. Every sheep exhibitor must participate in showmanship in order to sell in the Premium Livestock Sale, if an exhibitor has both a market and a breeding project, the exhibitor can choose which one to show for showmanship.
2. Market classes will be determined by weight, show management, and show entries.
3. One Grand Champion and one Reserve Champion will be selected and both must be sold in the Premium Livestock Sale.
4. The winner of the sheep showman of showmen contest will participate in the Grand Showman of Showmen contest.
5. Sheep exhibitors may enter the Rate- of-Gain contest at the time of registration. Initial weights will be recorded during the May weigh-in and final weights will be recorded at the time of check-in. Exhibitors with lambs placing 1st through 5th place in the contest will be awarded as follows:
1st - \$100/ 2nd - \$60 / 3rd - \$40 / 4th - \$30 / 5th - \$20.

SHEEP BREEDING

- In order to show in a breeding class, animals must have had both parents of the same breed.
- All exhibitors showing purebred breeding sheep must present registration papers at time of check-in with the appropriate ownership of exhibitor. Registered animals without papers will show in the crossbred division.
- Breeding sheep division and classes will be determined from the previous year breed participation.
- If a particular breed has less than 3 animals in a class, the breed will show in the AOB class for that particular age class.
- One exhibitor may not show more than two animals per class except for the champion classes, in which case, a current Junior Fair exhibitor must handle the second animal.
- Junior Fair sheep breeding exhibitors will have the option to bring their breeding animals in for the day of the show only. However, if you wish to pen your breeding animal(s) on the fairgrounds, they must arrive during check-in on the first Saturday and will not be release until Thursday the week of the fair.

OUTSTANDING SHEEP BREEDING EXHIBITOR

Jim Tewksbury Memorial Rotating Trophy

- Any current Madison County 4-H or FFA member is eligible to apply after completing 2 years in the Sheep Breeding Project area.
- Applicants will be selected based on: General 4-H/FFA activities, leadership, citizenship, and various sheep breeding project participation. Applicants should show evidence of project development and educational growth.
- Member will be eligible to win only one time and only one award will be presented per year.
- Award will be presented at the Grand Showman of Showman contest.