

# DEPARTMENT 4 – OPEN SHEEP

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Sheep Judging on Wednesday, August 26, 2009 @ 9:00 am

Fleece in place (at Youth Bldg.) on Saturday, August 22, 2009 @ 3:00 pm

Fleece Judging on Saturday, August 22, 2009 after 3:00 pm

**Entry Fee is \$1.50 per class**

## Rules & Regulations:

1. NO SHEEP CAN COMPETE FOR MORE THAN ONE AWARD EXCEPT IN FLOCK, PEN, BEST 2 FEMALES and DAUGHTER DAM CLASSES. All lambs must be under one year of age to be shown.
2. All ages will be determined as of September 1st.
3. In the 2-year-old class, no ewe which has not raised a lamb during the year will be eligible for awards.
4. All entries in this department must be owned by the exhibitor by **June 15th** of the current year.
5. **Sheep must be registered except for Grade Sections.**
6. **All Rams 1 year or older must leave fairgrounds Wednesday after the shows.**
7. Barn Meeting will be **Monday, August 24th @ 5:00pm** in the Judging Arena.
8. **Group classes can be from the same family/farm but owned by different exhibitors.**

## SECTION 1 – SOUTHDOWN

## SECTION 2 – DORSETS (POLLED)

## SECTION 3 – HAMPSHIRE

## SECTION 4 – TUNIS

## SECTION 5 – SUFFOLK

## SECTION 6 – ROMNEYS

## SECTION 7 – CHEVIOTS

## SECTION 8 – OTHER BREEDS

## SECTION 9 – NATURAL COLORED SHEEP

*(All Natural Colored Sheep will be judged under Natural Colored Wool Growers Association guidelines. All natural colored sheep must be registered with either their own breed registry or the Natural Colored Growers Association. Your animals MUST have a legible registration number AND a USDA scrapie registration tag that MATCHES their health papers.)*

## SECTION 10 – GRADE SHEEP (WOOL BREEDS)

## SECTION 11 – GRADE SHEEP (MEAT BREEDS)

Class No.	First	Second	Third	Fourth
1. Ram, two years old & older	\$15.00	\$13.00	\$10.00	\$8.00
2. Ram, one year old	\$14.00	\$13.00	\$10.00	\$8.00
3. Ram Lamb	\$13.00	\$11.00	\$10.00	\$8.00
4. Aged Ewe, 2 yrs. and over	\$15.00	\$13.00	\$10.00	\$8.00
5. Yearling Ewe, one year old	\$14.00	\$13.00	\$10.00	\$8.00
6. Ewe Lamb	\$13.00	\$11.00	\$10.00	\$8.00

**Awards for Classes 7 - 10: First: \$20.00 Second: \$15.00 Third: \$10.00 Fourth: \$8.00**

7. Pen 3 Lambs\*, either sex or mixed
8. Flock\*, one Ram any age; one Ewe 2 years old or older; one Ewe 1 year old; and one Ewe lamb
9. Breeder's Purebred Flock, one Ram any age; two Ewes 1 year old; two Ewe lambs bred and raised by exhibitor
10. Daughter Dam\*
11. Best 2 Females\*

\* Group classes can be from the same family/farm but owned by different members.

- Best Fleece on Animal, Ribbon only
- All Breed Champion Ram, Ribbon only
- All Breed Champion Ewe, Ribbon only

## SECTION 12 – MARKET LAMBS

**Awards for Class 1: First: \$13.00 Second: \$11.00 Third: \$10.00 Fourth: \$8.00**

### Class No.

1. Wether Lamb
- Champion Market Lamb, Ribbon only

## **SECTION 13 — FLEECE JUDGING**

(Fleeces are to be delivered to the Youth Building by 3:00 pm on Saturday, August 22, 2009. Judging will be in the Youth Building. Entries will be displayed in the Sheep Barn after judging. Hand spinning classes (skeins) are located in Department 12, Section 6. Skeins may be displayed in the sheep barn after judging.

1. Fleece must be current from (2008-2009) wool crop.
2. Exhibitors allowed one fleece in each category.
3. Fleeces must arrive in plastic bags, clear is preferred, and untied.
4. Fleece must be unwashed and well skirted.
5. **Secure** to the bag (or fleece) **two cards** with the following:
  - A. your name and/or farm name**
  - B. breed of sheep**
6. Fleeces will be judged according to breed standard, suitability for hand spinning (crimp, luster, strength).
7. Exhibitors will be allowed to remain for judging if desired, but may not attempt to influence judging process in any manner.
8. Fleeces **will be rejected** for any of the following: heavy containment; fiber length less than two inches; excessive cotting or felting; moths; mold or any problem the superintendent deems unacceptable.

**Awards for Classes 1 - 6:    First: \$12.00    Second: \$10.00    Third: \$7.00    Fourth: \$5.00**

**Class No.**

1. **White Wool, long wool**
2. **White Wool, medium wool**
3. **White Wool, fine wool**
- **Champion & Reserve Fleece, Ribbon Only**

**Class No.**

4. **Natural Colored Wool, long wool**
5. **Natural Colored Wool, medium wool**
6. **Natural Colored Wool, fine wool**

## **SECTION 14 – SPECIAL EVENTS**

**Awards for Class 1 Only:    First: \$20.00    Second: \$15.00    Third: \$10.00    Fourth: \$8.00**

**Class No.**

1. **Leadline**, entry fee is \$2.00. Open to all residents of Washington County. Sheep used does not need to be owned by entrant. Exhibitors will be judged on presentation of their animals & woolen clothing articles they are wearing. Articles of clothing must be at least 50% wool. Sheep must be on a lead. Garments must not have been used in a previous year.
2. **Hand Spinning Contest**, Each contestant will be provided 2 ounces of roving from the same sheep. You will have 10 minutes to spin your yarn. Judging will be based on evenness of spinning; length of yarn spun in the time period; and balance of what has been spun. You must provide your own spinning wheel or drop spindle. You may enter both drop spindle and spinning wheel. **Special prizes will be awarded for Class 2**
  - A. Drop Spindle**
  - B. Drop Spindle Novice**, (spinning less than 1 year)
  - C. Spinning Wheel**
  - D. Spinning Wheel Novice**, (spinning less than 1 year)

- **Shepherds**, Prizes to be awarded based on points received in daily inspections of displays. All sheep exhibits will be entered in competition. Additional information will be available from superintendent.
- **Open Showmanship**, Participants will be nominated by sponsors to class with resulting monies to be used for sheep barn improvements. Additional information will be available fair week. Entries to be completed during fair.