

SHEEP DEPARTMENT
Superintendent: Mike Cory
Assistant Superintendent: Craig Veldhuizen

Bedding (Bring your own wood chips, NO STRAW)

1. All Sheep must have tails docked at fair.
2. No Substitutions can be made at fair. Lambs must be entered in that class but the July 3 deadline.
3. Either wethers or ewes may be shown in the market lamb classes. EWES SHOWN IN THE BREEDING CLASSES CANNOT BE SHOWN IN THE MARKET CLASSES.
4. Sexually intact sheep must have a scrapies tag and that tag number must be noted on the Iowa Sheep Verification Form at the time of the weigh-in.
5. Member Produced Ewe Lambs and/or Polk County Produced Lambs must be identified on the Iowa Sheep Verification Form at the time of the weigh-in. There will not be an additional form.
6. Show will begin at 8:00 AM.
7. Entries in lamb classes shall be born after January 1, of this year. (Yearlings shall be born after January 1 one year prior to fair.)
8. Weigh in will be at 8:00 P.M. Wednesday
 - a. Blankets and tubes must be removed and left at pens.
 - b. All breeding and market lambs will be inspected and health certificates will be checked by the veterinarian.
 - c. Any evidence of Club Lamb Fungus, ringworm, draining abscess, foot rot, sore mouth or any other infectious disease will eliminate the animal from the show and be required to be removed from the fairgrounds immediately.
9. All Sheep must have a completed drug affidavit at the time of check in at the Polk County Fair. Can be found on the Polk County Fair Website or picked up at the extension office.
10. All lambs that will not be sold at auction must be listed on a form, in the office, within 1 hour after the show.
11. All sheep must remain in pens until release time of 4:00 P.M. Sunday. At this time, all Sheep NOT selling at the auction MUST GO HOME.
12. All pens must be cleaned by the exhibitor or premiums WILL BE WITHHELD.
13. SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST
 - a. Exhibitors showing their own livestock in all classes including showmanship are eligible to compete for showmanship awards.
 - b. Previous winners are not eligible for this competition in the age divisions they have previously won.
 - c. Showmanship will be broken into three age divisions, as of September 1, previous year:
 - i. Junior - grades 4 – 6
 - ii. Intermediate - grades 7 – 8
 - iii. Senior - grades 9 - 12

BREEDING SHEEP

1. Breeding sheep must be identified at weigh-in with birth dates, flock and scrapie number.

2. Each exhibitor is limited to two exhibits in each class, except member produced ewe lamb class where only one lamb may be shown.
3. Lambs will be placed on: type, quality, size, and fleece.
 - a) Entries in all breeding classes must have identified birth date, type and scrapie tag number on the 4-H Sheep Identification Report form 4-H 106d which is due at the Extension Office by May 15th.
 - b) Exhibitors may summer shear lambs and feed for maximum growth (not fattening) to encourage early sexual maturity.
4. Exhibitors in commercial ewe classes must know the date the ewe was born. Offspring to be shown by side.
5. Member-produced ewe lamb - class 10: the animal must be produced from animal owned by member or immediate family. Member may show only one animal in this class. Animal may not be shown in another class. No additional form is needed to identify a Member Produced Lamb, BUT IDENTIFICATION MUST BE MADE on the 4-H Sheep Identification Report form 4-H 106d and turned in to the Extension Office by May 15th.
6. Champion and Reserve Champion Ewe & Ram will be selected for Purebreds. Champion and Reserve Champion Commercial Ewe will be selected. All champion ewes and rams will be selected for an overall supreme champion.

CLASS NUMBER AND DESCRIPTION

10	Member-produced Ewe Lamb
20	P.B. Yearling Ram (all breeds)
21	P.B. Ram Lamb (all breeds)
22	P.B. Yearling Ewe (all breeds)
23	P.B. Ewe Lamb (all breeds)
24	P.B. Pair of Ewes (yearlings or lambs)
28	Commercial Yearling Ram
29	Commercial Ram Lamb
30	White Face Influenced Commercial Yearling Ewe with or without offspring
31	White Face Influenced Commercial Ewe Lamb (all breeds)
40	Commercial Yearling Ewe with or without offspring
41	Commercial Ewe Lamb (all breeds)
42	Commercial Pair of Ewes (yearling or lambs)

MARKET SHEEP

1. Market lambs to be shown must have been sheared once between July 3rd and fair time. Full woolled lambs or block market lambs will not be accepted in the ring. Market lambs must come to the scale dry without blankets or tubes to be considered for rate of gain. (slick shorn is recommended)
2. All market lambs must be ear tagged with a county ear tag, and weighed-in at the designated site. All exhibitors must fill out the 4-H Sheep Identification Form 4H-106d which is due at the county extension office by May 15th.

- a) All ewe lambs must have a scrapie tag and must have complete birth information on the 4-H
- 3. Polk County lambs and they must also be identified on Polk County Produced Market Lamb Class Form due at the Extension Office by May 15th. All market ewe lambs must have a Scrapie tag.
- 4. Exhibitors may enter and show a maximum of three individual black-face market lambs, one black-face Polk County market lamb and one black face pen of three. The Polk County market lamb may be shown as part of pen of three but not as one of the individual market lambs.
- 5. Exhibitors may enter and show a maximum of three individual white-face influenced market lambs, One Polk County white-faced influenced market lamb and one white-faced influenced pen of three. The Polk County market lamb may be shown as part of pen of three but not as one of the individual market lambs.
- 6. Market lamb classes will be sub-divided by weight as determined by the Superintendent.
- 7. Lambs weighing less than 105 pounds will be placed in the feeder lamb class. These lambs will not be eligible for champions and will not be sold at the livestock sale. Re-sale bid is not guaranteed for lambs weighing less than 105 pounds. Lambs weighing less than 105 pounds must go home if a bid has not been established.
- 8. Champion and Reserve Champion Individual and Pen will be selected at the end of the show.
- 9. Rate of Gain: Special ribbons will be presented to the top ten entries having highest rate of gain. Rate of gain will be figured on the basis of official starting weight recorded at the time of ear-tagging and the weigh-in at the County Fair.
- 10. Polk County Market Lamb Class 211 must be reported as such on the Iowa Sheep Verification Form at the time of the weigh-in. There will be no separate form needed.
- 11. Class 230 – Scan Market Lamb must already be shorn before entering fairgrounds. All market exhibitors must enter 1 lamb to be scanned. **A breeding ewe may be scanned**

CLASS NUMBER AND DESCRIPTION

200	Feeder Lambs
209	White Faced Influenced Market Wether or Ewe Lambs
210	Black Faced Market Wether or Ewe Lambs
211	Polk County Market Lamb – Black Faced Influenced
212	Polk County Market Lamb – White Faced Influenced
219	Pen of Three - White Faced Influenced (Market, Wether or Ewe Lambs)
220	Pen of Three - Black Faced Influenced (Market, Wether or Ewe Lambs)
230	Scan Market Lamb Class

OPEN CLASS SHEEP SHOW
Superintendents: Mike and Sheri Cory

- 1. **Entry fee to be paid July 3.**
- 2. Exhibitors may exhibit a 4-H lamb shown by a 4-H/FFA member in the 4-H/FFA Sheep Show.
- 3. Any 4 y/o through 3rd grader, (as of July 3) may exhibit in this class.
- 4. Any lamb may enter this class. Exhibitors may exhibit a 4-H lamb shown by a sibling in the 4-H/FFA Sheep Show.
- 5. Lambs must be penned on the fairgrounds by 8:00 A.M. Sunday. Pens will be available beginning 6:00 A.M. Wednesday. **Please sign-in at the livestock office upon arrival to receive pen assignment and stall card.**
- 6. Exhibitor may exhibit only one animal.
- 7. Lambs may be shown with halter.
- 8. The classes may be divided into classes depending on the number of exhibitors. Classes divided by age of the youth.
- 9. Each youth will be interviewed in regard to care and management and care of lamb.
- 10. Judging to be based on:
 - a. What exhibitor has learned about the care and rising of the lamb.
 - b. The grooming and cleanliness of the lamb.
 - c. General health, condition, and management of lamb and exhibitor's knowledge of this area.
 - i. Conformation and quality of the lamb is NOT to be considered.
- 11. No premiums paid (ribbons only).
- 12. Parent or guardian must be present during show.
- 13. Fair board is not liable for injuries.

CLASS NUMBER AND DESCRIPTION

240	OPEN LAMB CLASS
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