

SHEEP DEPARTMENT

Superintendent: Mike Cory
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Breeding and Market Sheep entries and fees are due by July 1 at <https://www.fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/2577>. Penning Assignments will be posted outside of office. Fair Weigh-in will be at 7:30 P.M. After King/Queen contest

Bedding (Bring your own wood chips, NO STRAW)

1. April/May Weigh-in: All Market lambs must be ear tagged with a county 4-H tag and weighed at the designated site. Same with Member Produced Ewe lambs if entering them as a Scanned Individual.
2. Sheep needing special identification on the 4H-106d form are as follows: Sexually intact sheep with (a) date of birth (b) Flock # and scrapie #. (c) Member Produced Ewe lambs, Polk County Produced Ewe Lambs.
3. Entries in lamb classes must be born after Jan. 1 of this year, Yearlings shall be born after Jan. 1 one year prior to fair.
4. SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST
 - a. Exhibitors showing their own livestock in all classes including showmanship are eligible to compete for showmanship awards.
 - b. Showmanship will be broken into three age divisions, as of September 1, previous year:

001	Junior Showmanship Grades 4-6
002	Intermediate Showmanship Grades 5-8
003	Senior Showmanship Grades 9-12 & FFA

BREEDING SHEEP

1. Breeding Sheep must be identified by May 15th on the 4H-106d Iowa Sheep Verification form with a birth date, flock and scrapie #.
2. Rules are as follows for all classes (with the exception of class 101 Member Produced Ewe lamb which is listed under number 3).
 - a. Exhibitors may enter 2 exhibits in each class.
 - b. Ewes shown in breeding classes may not show in market classes.
3. Class- 110 Member Produced Ewe Lamb
 - a. Animal must be produced from an animal owned by member or immediate family.
 - b. May only show 1 animal in this class
 - c. May also add this Member Produced Ewe Lamb from class 101 to one of the Commercial Ewe Lamb class (110 or 112) or 41 or class- 113 for a Commercial Pair of Ewes (yearling or lambs) May also enter Member Produced Ewe lamb in Class- 208 (Scanned Market lamb)
4. Commercial Ewe classes:
 - c. Exhibitor must know date ewe was born.
 - d. Ewe may be shown with or w/o offspring at side.
5. An overall Grand & Reserve Grand Champion will be selected from the P.B and Commercial Ram classes and the P.B Yearling Ewes and P.B ewe lamb classes.
6. Lambs will be placed on: type, quality, size and fleece.

1. All sheep must have a completed Drug Affidavit at the time of check in. Can be picked up at the extension office or can be found on the Polk County Fair website.
2. All breeding and market lambs will be inspected and health certificates checked by the Vet. Lambs must come to the scale dry and without blankets or tubes.
3. 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 fair grounds immediately.
4. Market & breeding sheep may be sold at the fair but will need to be weighed in on Wednesday.
 - a. Must add the lambs to the Sale sheet in the office immediately after the show and lambs must go through the auction.

MARKET SHEEP

1. Market Lambs consists of wethers or ewes.
2. May not show in any breeding class.
3. Must be sheared once between July 1st and fair time. Full wool lambs, block lambs or lambs with tails will not be accepted in the show ring. (slick shorn is recommended)
4. Ewes shown in Market classes may not be shown in breeding classes, unless its entered in the scanned market class and the Member Produced Ewe Lamb class.
5. Lambs weighing less than 105 pounds will be put in the Futurity Class- 201 (resale bids are not guaranteed)
6. Exhibitors may show a maximum of 15 head:
 - a. 3-individual black-face market lambs class- 203
 - b. 3-individual white-face market lambs class- 202
 - c. 1-black-face Polk County Produced market lamb class- 205. Can be from 3 individuals not previously shown.
 - d. 1-white-face Polk County Produced market lamb class- 204. Can be from 3 individuals not previously shown.
 - e. 1-black-face pen of three. Class- 207
 - f. 1 -white-face pen of 3 class- 206
 - g. 1 -scanned lamb class is mandatory for exhibitors showing any market animals. It is not required for exhibitors only showing breeding sheep. (but you may enter a member produced ewe lamb if you choose) it must be shorn before weigh-in.
6. Any Black-face animal with evidence of speckles anywhere on them will be moved to the respective

white-faced Influenced Class-202/204/206 at the Superintendents discretion.

7. Polk County Produced market lambs may be shown In its respective class- 204 or 205 and may be shown as part of a pen of three in class- 206 or 207.
8. Market lamb classes will be sub-divided by weights as determined by the Superintendent.
9. Rate of Gain: Special ribbons will be presented to the top ten 10 entries having highest Rate of Gain. Rate of gain will be figured on the official beginning weigh-in at the time of tagging and the County Fair weigh-in.
10. 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.
11. All exhibitors will have assigned pens and must be cleaned by the exhibitor or premiums WILL BE WITHHELD.

OPEN CLASS SHEEP SHOW
Superintendent Mike and Sheri Cory

Bedding (bring your own wood chips-no straw)

1. Entries and fees are due by July 1.
2. Any 4 yr old through 3rd grader (as of July 1) may exhibit in this class.
3. Any lamb may be entered. 1 per exhibitor, may be shown with halter, must be inspected and health certificates checked by the Veterinarian on Wednesday night at market weigh-in.
4. Lamb will be penned on South Wall in the red section (on the penning assignment chart posted on the board outside the sheep office if not already penned with other 4-H/FFA exhibitor. (Please sign in at the Livestock office upon arrival)
5. Classes may be divided by age of the youth depending on the number of exhibitors.
6. Judging to be based on the current judges criteria
 - a. Conformation and quality is not to be considered.
7. No premiums will be paid (ribbons only)
8. Parent or guardian must be present during show.

Breeding- Class Number and Description	
101	Member Produced Ewe Lamb
102	P.B. Yearling Ram (all breeds)
103	P.B. Ram Lamb (all breeds)
104	P.B. Yearling Ewe (all breeds)
105	P.B. Ewe Lamb (all breeds)
106	P.B Pair of Ewes (yearlings or lambs)
107	Commercial Yearling Ram
108	Commercial Ram Lamb
109	Commercial Yearling Ewe White Faced Influenced with or w/o offspring
110	Commercial Ewe Lamb White Faced Influenced (all breeds)
111	Commercial Yearling Ewe with or w/o offspring
112	Commercial Ewe Lamb (all breeds)
113	Commercial Pair of Ewes (yearling or lambs)

Open Class -Class Number And Description

008	Open Class Lamb
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(FAIRBOARD IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY INJURIES)

**Any questions call the
Superintendent Mike Cory 515-208-2590**

Market -Class Number and Description	
201	Futurity Lambs-- Lambs under 105
202	White Faced Influenced Market (Wether or Ewe Lambs)
203	Black Face Market (Wether or Ewe Lambs)
204	Polk County Produced Market Lamb White Faced Influenced
205	Polk County Produced Market Lamb-Black Face
206	Pen of Three White Faced Influenced Market lamb (Wether or Ewe)
207	Pen of Three-Black Face Market Lamb (Wether or Ewe)
208	Scanned lamb (Market or Member Produced)