Sheep Department

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- 1. Bedding (Bring your own wood chips, NO STRAW)
- 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 Lambs.
- 3. Penning Assignments will be posted outside of office.
- 4. All sheep must have a completed Drug Affidavit at the time of check in. Affidavits can be found at the extension office or on the Polk County Fair Website (polkcountyfairiowa.com/forms).
- 5. All sheep will be vet checked before unloading animals. Vet checks will run 6:00am-8:00 am.
- 6. All vet issued health paper must be within 14 days of the show.
- 7. Classes will be determined by the superintendent by declared weights. Weight cards must be turned in by 8:00 am.
- 8. Show to start at 10:00 am or 15 minutes after show book is posted.
- 9. Each exhibitor will be responsible for cleaning out their stalling area at the end of each show.
- 10. Sheep will be released at the completion of the show.
- 11. 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.
- 12. Sheep with a rectal prolapse will be released from the fair and may not remain in the barn or be shown. A slight amount of rectal tissue that protrudes when the lamb is laying down, but then retracts without assistance upon standing, will not be considered a prolapse for this purpose.
- 13. Each animal can be entered in only 1 class with the exception of pair of ewe, pen of three market lambs.
- 14. Superintendent has final decision on how all classes will be sorted at fair.

Showmanship Contest

- 1. Exhibitors showing their own livestock in all classes including showmanship are eligible to compete for showmanship awards.
- 2. Previous Junior and Intermediate winners are not eligible for this competition in the age divisions they have previously won.
- 3. Showmanship will be broken into three age divisions, as of September 1, previous year:

Class Number and Description

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 June 1 on the 4H-106d lowa Sheep Verification form with a birth date, flock and scrapie number.
- 2. Entries in lamb classes must be born on or after Jan. 1 of this year, Yearlings shall be born on or after Jan. 1 of the year prior to fair.
- 3. Ewes shown in breeding classes may not show in market classes and can only be shown as either commercial or purebred but not both.
- 4. All breeding animals must have birth date at time of entry.
- 5. Purebred animals (Rams and Ewes) will need to have registration papers at time of weigh in at fair. If no registration paper, animals will be placed in commercial class.
- 6. All breeds of Purebred animals (Rams and Ewes) will all show together unless sorted out by superintendent.
- 7. Rams and Ewes will be sorted in Purebred or Commercial and yearling or lambs if enough in each division.

- 8. Member Produced Ewe Lamb (division of the ewe class) must be produced from an animal owned by member or immediate family. May only show 1 animal in this class.
- 9. May exhibit any Ewe Lambs also in class 103 (Pair of Ewes) and/or class 203 (Scanned Market lamb)
- 10. Yearling Ewes (division of Ewe class) may be shown with or with offspring at side.
- 11. Breeding sheep may be sold at the fair if they are weighed in on Sunday and there is a resale bid for them.
- 12. Superintendent has final decision on how all classes will be sorted at fair.

Class Number and Description

101	Ram (Purebred, White face Influenced, and Black face)
102	Ewe (Purebred, White face Influenced, and black face)
103	Pair of Ewes (Purebred, White face Influenced, and black face)

Market Sheep

- 1. Market Lambs consist of wethers or ewes.
- 2. Market animals may not also show in any breeding class.
- 3. Ewes shown in Market classes may not be shown in breeding classes.
- 4. Must be sheared once between July 1 and fair time. Full wool lambs, block lambs or lambs with tails will not be accepted in the show ring. (slick shorn is recommended)
- 5. Exhibitors may show a maximum of 16 head:
 - a. 6-individual market lambs -3 Black Face, 3 White Face Influenced
 - b. 2- Polk County Produced market lamb 1 Black Face, 1 White Face Influenced. Cannot be the same animals shown in other market class
 - c. 1-Purebred market lamb
 - d. 2- Pen of three (class 202) 1 Black Face, 1 White Face Influenced.
 - e. 1 -Scanned lamb (class 203) is mandatory for exhibitors showing any market animals. It is not required for exhibitors only showing breeding sheep. (But you may enter any ewe lamb if you choose) it must be shorn before weigh-in.
- 6. Any Black-face animal with evidence of speckles anywhere on them may be moved to the respective white-faced Influenced at the Superintendents discretion.
- 7. Polk County produced market lambs may be shown as part of a pen of three.
- 8. Market lamb classes will be sub-divided by weights as determined by the superintendent.
- 9. Superintendent has final decision on how classes will be sorted at fair.

Class Number and Description

201	Market Lamb
202	Pen of Three Market Lambs

Example of Classes and divisions sorts if entries numbers allow:

Breeding Show

101 Ram

101.1 - Purebred Ram

101.1.1 – Purebred Yearling Ram (all breeds papers required)

Born on or after January 1 the prior year

101.1.2 – Purebred Ram Lamb (all breeds papers required)

Born on or after January 1 this year

Champion and Reserve Champion Purebred Ram

101.2 - Yearling Ram - born on or after January 1 the prior year

101.2.1 – WFI Yearling Ram

101.2.2 - Black Faced Yearling Ram

Champion and Reserve Champion Yearling Ram

101.3 - Ram Lamb - born on or after January 1 this year

101.3.1 - WBI Ram Lamb

101.3.2 - Black Faced Ram Lamb

Champion and Reserve Champion Ram Lamb

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Ram

102 Ewe

102.1 – Purebred Ewe

102.1.1 – Purebred Yearling Ewe w/wo Offspring by Side (all breeds papers required)

Born on or after January 1 the prior year

102.2.2 - Purebred Ewe Lamb (all breeds papers required)

Born on or after January 1 this year

Champion and Reserve Champion Purebred Ewe

102.2 - Yearling Ewe w/wo Offspring by Side - born on or after January 1 the prior year

102.2.1 – WBI Commercial Yearling Ewe w/wo Offspring by Side

102.2.2 - Black Faced Commercial Yearling Ewe w/wo Offspring by Side

Champion and Reserve Champion Yearling Ewe w/wo Offspring by Side

102.3 - Ewe Lamb - born on or after January 1 of this year

102.3.1 - WBI Commercial Ewe Lamb

102.3.2 – Black Faced Commercial Ewe Lamb

Champion and Reserve Champion Ewe Lamb

102.4 – Member Produced Ewe Lamb

Champion and Reserve Champion Member Produced Ewe Lamb

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Ewe - #Beardownbound

103 Pair of Ewes

103.1 – Purebred Pair of Ewes (yearlings or lambs- papers required)

103.2 – WBI Pair of Ewes (yearlings or lambs)

103.3 – Black Faced Pair of Ewes (yearlings or lambs)

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Pair of Ewes

Market Show

201 - Market Lamb

201.1 - Futurity Lambs - under 105# - not eligible for Grand drive

201.2 - Purebred Market Lamb (all breeds papers required)

201.3 - WFI Market Lamb

201.4 - Black Faced Market Lamb

201.5 - Polk County Produced Market Lamb

201.5.1 - WFI Polk County Produced Market Lamb

201.5.2 - Black face Polk County Produced Market Lamb

Champion and Reserve Champion Polk County Produced Market Lamb

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb - #beardownbound

202 - Pen of Three Market Lambs

202.1 - WBI Pen of Three Market Lambs

202.2 - Black Faced Pen of Three Market Lambs

Grand Champion Pen of Three Market Lambs

203 - Scanned Lambs

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Scanned Lamb

Rate of Gain Market Animal

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Rate of Gain

Yellow = Trophy

Classes and/or divisions may be combined based on the number of entries in each