

Sheep Department

Superintendent: Craig Veldhuizen & Craig Johnson

1. Bedding (Bring your own wood chips, NO STRAW)
2. April/May Weigh-in: All Market lambs must be ear tagged with a county 4-H or FFA tag and weighed at the designated site. Same with Member Produced Ewe lambs if entering them as a Scanned Individual.
3. 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.
4. Penning Assignments will be posted outside of office.
5. 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](http://polkcountyfairiowa.com/forms) (polkcountyfairiowa.com/forms).
6. All breeding and market animals will be inspected and health certificates checked by the Vet. Lambs must come to the scale dry and without blankets or tubes.
7. 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.
8. 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.
9. All sheep must remain in pens until release time of 5:00 PM Thursday. At this time, all sheep not selling at the auction must go home.
10. All exhibitors will have assigned pens and must be cleaned by the exhibitor or premiums will be withheld.
11. Exhibitors must add their lambs to the sale sheet in the office immediately after the show and lambs must go through the auction.
12. Each animal can be entered in only 1 class with the exception of pair of ewe, pen of three market lambs, and scanned lamb.
13. 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. Senior winner is able to go on to Supreme Showmanship that year.
4. 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 7-8
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 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 110 (Pair of Ewes) and/or class 208 (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.
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Class Number and Description

101	Purebred Rams (Yearling and Lambs) (All Breeds)
102	Yearling Rams (White Face Influenced, and Black Face)
103	Ram Lambs (White Face Influenced, and Black Face)
104	Purebred Ewes (Yearling and Lambs) (All Breeds)
105	Yearling Ewes w/wo Offspring by Side (White Face Influence, and Black Face)
107	White Face Influence Ewe Lambs
108	Black Face Ewe Lambs
109	Member Produced Ewe Lamb
110	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. Lambs weighing less than 105 pounds, resale bids are not guaranteed and may not go through auction.
6. 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. 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.
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201	Futurity Lambs (under 105 lbs)
202	Purebred Market Lambs (All Breeds)
203	White Face Influence Market Lambs
204	Black Face Market Lambs
205	Polk County Produced White Face Influence Market Lambs
206	Polk County Produce Black Face Market Lambs
207	Pen of Three Market Lambs
208	Scanned lamb (Market or Ewe lamb)

Example of Classes and divisions sorts if entries numbers allow:

Breeding Show

101 Purebred Rams

101.1 – Purebred Yearling Rams (all breeds papers required)

Born on or after January 1 the prior year

101.2 – Purebred Ram Lambs (all breeds papers required)

Born on or after January 1 this year

Champion and Reserve Champion Purebred Ram

102 Yearling Rams – born on or after January 1 the prior year

102.1 – WFI Yearling Rams

102.2 – Black Faced Yearling Rams

Champion and Reserve Champion Yearling Ram

103 – Ram Lambs – born on or after January 1 this year

103.1 – WFI Ram Lambs

103.2 – Black Faced Ram Lambs

Champion and Reserve Champion Ram Lamb

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Ram

104 Purebred Ewes

104.1 – Purebred Yearling Ewes w/wo Offspring by Side (all breeds papers required)

Born on or after January 1 the prior year

104.2 – Purebred Ewe Lambs (all breeds papers required)

Born on or after January 1 this year

Champion and Reserve Champion Purebred Ewe

105 – Yearling Ewes w/wo Offspring by Side – born on or after January 1 the prior year

105.1 - White Face Influence Yearling Ewe w/wo Offspring by Side

105.2 - Black Face Yearling Ewe w/wo Offspring by Side

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

106 – White Face Influence Ewe Lambs – born on or after January 1 of this year

107– Black Faced Ewe Lambs– born on or after January 1 of this year

Champion and Reserve Champion Ewe Lamb

109 – Member Produced Ewe Lamb

Champion and Reserve Champion Member Produced Ewe Lamb

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Ewe - #Beardown bound

110 Pair of Ewes

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

110.2 – WFI Pair of Ewes (yearlings or lambs)

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

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Pair of Ewes

Market Show

201 – Futurity Lambs – under 105# - not eligible for Grand drive

202 – Purebred Market Lambs (all breeds papers required)

203 – White Face Influence Market Lambs

204 – Black Faced Market Lambs

205 –Polk County Produced White Face Influence Market Lambs

206 –Polk County Produced Black Face Market Lambs

Champion and Reserve Champion Polk County Produced Market Lamb

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb - #beardown bound

207 – Pen of Three Market Lambs

202.1 – WFI Pen of Three Market Lambs

202.2 – Black Faced Pen of Three Market Lambs

Grand Champion Pen of Three Market Lambs

208 – 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

Youth Open Class Sheep

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1. Entries and fees are due by July 1.
2. Any 4 years 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 Sunday.
4. Bedding (bring your own wood chips-no straw).
5. 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 another 4-H/FFA exhibitor. Please sign in at the livestock office upon arrival.
6. Classes may be divided by age of the youth depending on the number of exhibitors.
7. Judging to be based on the current judge’s criteria.
 - a. Conformation and quality is not to be considered.
8. No premiums will be paid (ribbons only).
9. Parent or guardian must be present during show.
10. Fair board is not liable for any injuries.

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008	Youth Open Class Sheep
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