

4-H is Department J (18) and FFA is Department I (28)  
**4-H AND FFA SHEEP REGULATIONS**  
**NOSE PRINT IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED FOR MARKET LAMB**  
**CLASSES.**

The exhibitor is responsible for providing a legible nose print to their Agriculture Teacher or Extension Agent within a reasonable amount of time, to be mailed to the Missouri State Fair office on or before postmark date of June 15. The nose prints must have the correct postmark date on them, *and also be received within 10 days following.* (Faxes are not permitted. Metered mail is not preferred, but if used, please allow sufficient time for delivery.) An exhibitor may nominate a total of 10 market lambs. See complete nose print rules outlined in number 16 of the 4-H and FFA general rules and regulations in this premium guide.

- All breeding animals must have been owned by the exhibitor prior to July 1 of the year shown, and all breeding animals must be registered in the exhibitor's name. Breeding animal must wear the association or flock ear tag at the time of showing. Market lambs must have been owned by the exhibitor prior to June 1 of current year. Entries must be complete for both breeding classes and market lamb show.
- Each exhibitor will be allowed to enter 4 ram lambs and 4 ewe lambs in the lamb classes. (Exhibitors will be allowed to show from one to four animals in any one class, but not more than 4 lambs total.) Yearling classes are limited to two entries per class. No limit is placed on the number of market lamb entries within a class.
- The base date for computing the ages of sheep in all classes will be September 1, but only those animals that have lamb teeth will be eligible to show in the lamb classes.
- Market lambs will show by breeds. Classes will be divided into groups by weight. Market lambs will be weighed only one time. 4-H will show first.
- Ewe lambs shown in the market lamb show will not be eligible for the wether dam or breed shows. Exhibitors can substitute a ewe lamb for a wether dam or a wether dam for a ewe lamb; this can be done at the scales, at weigh-in.
- Market Lambs show order: Crossbred, Speckled Face, Natural Colored, (blue fibered) Suffolk, Hampshire, (no blue fibered) Shropshire, Oxford, Southdown, Dorset, Montadale, Corriedale and "AOB (classifier to determine).
- Muzzles will not be allowed on market lambs or breeding animals.
- All market lambs** must be slick-sheared at the time of arrival at the Fairgrounds, including all areas above hock-knee and from the ears back and report to the Race Horse Barns on the east side of the Fairgrounds for animal inspection and weigh in. No additional shearing in the Sheep Barn.
- Abuse of animals: Should any physical abuse be observed toward an animal, either in the barn or in the show ring, Superintendent has the authority to eliminate show animal and exhibitor from the show.
- When a judge is handling lambs or when you are waiting to be judged, all four (4) feet must be on the ground. It is acceptable to briefly lift the front end of a lamb off the ground to set the front feet.
- No ice, ice water or alcohol may be used externally or internally as a fitting practice for 4-H/FFA market lambs.
- Market lambs may not leave the sheep barn or wash rack area once they have been penned until the conclusion of the show. Walking/leading sheep for exercise must be within the confines of the sheep barns. The Sheep Superintendent must authorize any lambs needing to leave the sheep barn or wash rack. **Lambs found in unauthorized areas will be dismissed from the show.**
- Six sheep showmanship winners will be selected during the 4-H and FFA breeding sheep shows. Breeding sheep showmanship winners must skip a year and are then eligible to compete again. There will be a separate showmanship contest for market lamb exhibitors.
- No assistance in showing animals will be allowed in the market lamb classes.
- Minimal assistance is allowed in the breeding classes. The owner must exhibit the animal with assistance in placing feet and control of the animal in emergency situations. Assistance must be another Missouri junior exhibitor.
- Pumping of any species, unless under the State Veterinarian's supervision, will not be allowed.
- 4-H Food Quality Assurance Policy for 2017  
 By June 1, 2017, all 4-H members enrolled in food animal projects including beef, sheep, swine, dairy cattle, meat and dairy goats, rabbits and poultry must complete the appropriate level of Missouri Show Me Quality Assurance certification to be considered a 4-H member in good standing in that project. No further quality assurance documentation is needed with the State Fair entry.  
 NOTE: 4-H members must be in good standing in their county to enter the State Fair food animal related competitions.  
 (Reference rule 1, C)

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**4-H & FFA SHEEP FITTING COMPETITION**  
**Sheep Pavilion - August 12, 2017, 7:00 p.m.**

Set-up time for youth: 1 hour following the last junior show of the day.  
**OBJECTIVE:** To provide youth with the opportunity to compete in sheep fitting at the state level as an art form to enhance and improve the standard and image of the sheep industry to the public and sheep producers.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- Sheep will be provided for contestants.
- Exhibitor's age will be determined at the first of the year 2017.
- Only youth 17 through 21 years of age may use electric clippers if fitting. NO electric blowers allowed.
- Youth will provide a trimming stand and traditional fitting equipment to fit the sheep provided for competition.
- The contest will be held over a two (2) hour period. Starting time: Ages 17 through 21 years of age begin at 7:00 p.m.; 13 through 16 years of age begin at 7:30 p.m.; and 8 through 12 years of age begin at 8:00 p.m.
- The judging criteria will be based on current fitting techniques for the breed of sheep provided the contestant: 20% carding, 40% finished appearance, 30% general appearance, and 10% feet and legs.
- The sheep will be assigned numbers, and contestants will pick numbers at random.
- No outside supervision or advising will be allowed from the sidelines, and we will strictly enforce this rule.
- First place winners in each category are not eligible to participate in the same age division in any future year.
- Must be an exhibitor in the junior show.
- Entries will be made through the Missouri State Fair on entry forms provided in this premium guide and be returned to the Missouri State Fair along with your sheep entries. An entry form will need to be submitted in order to participate.  
 If a pre-entered exhibitor chooses not to participate, that exhibitor may select an alternate exhibitor to take their place in the contest.
- A \$5.00 entry fee is required.

**Class**

512	Senior - 17 through 21 years of age.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
		\$125	\$100	\$75	\$60	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$20
513	Intermediate - 13 through 16 years of age.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
		\$100	\$60	\$50	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$20	\$20
514	Junior - 8 through 12 years of age.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
		\$75	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$20	\$20
515	Pair Class (a pair of exhibitors. 1 Intermediate exhibitor and 1 Junior exhibitor) Only one entry needed per pair of exhibitors.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
		\$125	\$100	\$75	\$60	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$20

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**SLICK-SHEARED FITTING CONTEST RULES**

Objective: to provide youth with the opportunity to demonstrate the skills necessary to convert a pasture animal into an animal ready for the show ring in a slick sheared class.

The competition will be held in conjunction with the 4H & FFA Sheep Fitting Competition.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- Sheep will be provided for contestants.
- The sheep will be assigned numbers, and contestants will pick numbers at random.
- Exhibitor's age will be determined at the first of the year 2017.
- Only youth 13 to 16 (Intermediate) and 17 to 21 (Senior) years of age may participate.
- Youth will provide a trimming stand and necessary fitting equipment to fit the sheep provided for competition.
- Contestants will have access to a wash rack as well as 110v electric power to run clippers and blow dryers.
- The contest will be held over a two (2) hour period.
- Washing time is included in the 2 hour time limit. Animals may be washed first, last, both, at discretion of the participant. The animal may be blown dry if desired (not required).
- For the safety of both the participant and the animal, electric shears that are used must have a comb teeth of 20 teeth or finer.
- Lamb bellies will only be sheared for the intermediate class entries.
- Final score and placing will be based on the wash job, cleanliness, smoothness of trimming job, hoof trimming, overall presentation and process used to attain the goal.
- No outside supervision or advising will be allowed from the sidelines, and we will strictly enforce this rule.
- First place winners in each category are not eligible to participate in the same age division in any future year.
- All contestants must be an exhibitor in the junior market lamb, wether dam or junior breeding show.

15. Entries will be made through the Missouri State Fair on entry forms provided in this premium guide and be returned to the Missouri State Fair along with your sheep entries. An entry form will need to be submitted in order to participate. If a pre-entered exhibitor chooses not to participate, that exhibitor may select an alternate exhibitor to take their place in the contest.
16. A \$5.00 entry fee is required.

**Class**

- 612 Senior - 17 through 21 years of age.
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|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1st   | 2nd   | 3rd  | 4th  | 5th  | 6th  | 7th  | 8th  |
| \$125 | \$100 | \$75 | \$60 | \$40 | \$30 | \$20 | \$20 |
- 613 Intermediate - 13 through 16 years of age.
- |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1st   | 2nd  | 3rd  | 4th  | 5th  | 6th  | 7th  | 8th  |
| \$100 | \$60 | \$50 | \$30 | \$25 | \$20 | \$20 | \$20 |

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**Purina Animal Nutrition** will provide \$1,000 cash award to the Overall Grand Champion Market Lamb, and \$500 cash award to the Overall Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb, if animals were fed using the Purina Honor Show Chow Feed Program. Minimum feeding requirement is the same as the ownership rules stated in the Premium Guide.

**SHEEP CLASSES****Breeding Sheep - earliest arrival Friday, August 11, 5 p.m.**

Class numbers will be the same for all breeds, except a letter will be added to each class to designate the breed as follows: C) Corriedale; D) Dorset; E) Dorper; F) Hampshire; G) Montadale; H) Shropshire; I) South-down; J) Suffolk; K) Natural Colored; L) Katahdin; M) Tunis; N) All Other Meat Breeds; O) All Other Wool Breeds; R) Crossbred Market Lambs.

**Class**

- 30 Yearling Ram - 1 year and under 2  
 31 Senior Ram Lamb - September 1 - December 31, 2016  
 32 Junior Ram Lamb - January 1, 2017, and after  
 33 Pair of Ram Lambs  
     Champion Ram  
     Reserve Champion Ram  
 36 Yearling Ewe - 1 year and under 2  
 37 Pair of Yearling Ewes  
 38 Senior Ewe Lamb - September 1 - December 31, 2016  
 39 Junior Ewe Lamb - January 1, 2017, and after  
 40 Pair of Ewe Lambs  
     Champion Ewe  
     Reserve Champion Ewe

**Show-Rite Feeds** will provide \$600 in premiums to the 4-H Market Lamb classes, and \$600 in premiums to the FFA Market Lamb Classes.



- 43 Market Lamb - Any breed, purebred or crossbred (classes broken by weight)  
     Champion Market Lamb of 4-H Department  
     Reserve Champion Market Lamb of 4-H Department  
     Champion Market Lamb of FFA Department  
     Reserve Champion Market Lamb of FFA Department  
     Grand Champion Market Lamb, 4-H & FFA Departments combined  
     Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb, 4-H & FFA Departments combined

**WETHER DAM CLASSES**

All 4-H and FFA market wether and wether dam sheep exhibitors (sheep showing on Thursday or Friday) must report to the Race Horse Barns on the east side of the Fairgrounds for animal inspection and Sheep Pavilion for weigh in.

See the Missouri State Fair premium guide for arrival times. **ALL WETHER DAMS MUST BE SLICK-SHORN BEFORE ARRIVING AT THE MISSOURI STATE FAIRGROUNDS!**

- These classes have been set up to allow new junior breeding sheep to be shown at the Missouri State Fair. They are not designed to provide additional classes for same sheep already shown in other classes.
- These classes are set up for breeding animals that are not able to show in the breeding classes of the junior show (because they do not have papers).
- No animal that is shown in the regular market classes will be eligible to show in the wether dam classes.
- No breed is to be specified on the entry form before the Fair. (Just class number - such as 61).
- Any wether dams entering the Fairgrounds with market lambs on August 9, 2017, must be inspected by veterinarians, but should not be weighed with other market lambs.

**Class**

- Meat Breed Crosses (shown slick sheared)  
 (not to include ewe lambs shown in the market lamb classes)  
 60 Yearling Ewe - 1 year and under 2  
 61 Ewe Lambs - will be shown by weight (weigh in - 1 p.m., 8/11)  
     Champion Ewe  
     Reserve Champion Ewe

Supreme Champion Ewe 4-H & FFA  
 Reserve Supreme Champion Ewe 4-H & FFA  
**SHEEP SPECIALS**

**The Missouri Dorset Association**, Meg Linman Sawyer, 302 W. Benton, Buffalo, Missouri 65622, will award trophies to the Champion Dorset Ewe and Ram.

**The Missouri Suffolk Association**, Duane Young, 26359 West Highway 69, Bethany, MO 64424, will award prizes to the Champion and Reserve Champion Suffolk Ram and Ewe in the 4-H and FFA divisions.

**The Missouri Junior Sheep Breeders Association**, Helen Swartz, Lincoln University, P.O. Box 29, Jefferson City, Missouri 65109, is sponsoring the Stacey Jesse Memorial 4-H Shepherd Traveling Trophy to the 4-H member who keeps the neatest and cleanliest pens in the sheep barn.

**The Missouri Junior Sheep Breeders Association** is sponsoring the Jason Bell Memorial FFA Shepherd Traveling Trophy to the FFA member who keeps the neatest and cleanliest pens in the sheep barn.

**The Missouri Corriedale Breeders Association**, Cindy DeOrnellis, 301 Luzon Lane, Bonnots Mill, MO 65016, will sponsor awards to the exhibitors of the Champion 4-H and FFA Corriedale Ewe and Ram. All sheep must be registered in the exhibitor's name and carry the registry of ear tags at the time of showing. The exhibitors must be members of the Missouri Corriedale Breeders Association.

**The Missouri Shropshire Association**, will award gift certificates to the Champion Ewe and Champion Ram in each of the 4-H and FFA divisions and prize money to the high placing individuals leading a Shropshire in the junior Lead Line divisions, and an award to the premier exhibitor in each of the 4-H and FFA divisions (must be members of the Missouri Shropshire Association or first year exhibitor to be eligible for the premiere exhibitor award).

**The Missouri Hampshire Sheep Association**, Kay Hayter, Treasurer, 459 East 550th Road, Walnut Grove, MO 65770, 417-788-2637, will award a sheep blanket to the Champion Hampshire Ram and Ewe in the 4-H and the FFA division; and an award to each class of top leading Hampshire Ewes in lead line.

**Simms Club Lambs** will sponsor the Champion 4-H Market Lamb.

**B-K-L Show Lambs** will sponsor the Reserve Champion 4-H Market Lamb.

**Tomlin Club Lambs** will sponsor the Champion FFA Market Lamb.

**Thomas Show Lambs** will sponsor the Reserve Champion FFA Market Lamb.

**JMJ Farms** will sponsor the Grand Champion Market Lamb.

**McCauslin Club Lambs** will sponsor the Reserve Champion Market Lamb.

**Doty Club Lambs** will sponsor the Champion 4-H Wether Dam.

**Walkup Club Lambs** will sponsor the Reserve Champion 4-H Wether Dam.

**R & A Show Stock/JCBC Creason** will sponsor the Champion FFA Wether Dam.

**Full House Club Lambs** will sponsor the Reserve Champion FFA Wether Dam.

**Joe Bauer Family** will sponsor the Grand Champion Wether Dam.

**Hayes/Sloan Show Lambs** will sponsor the Reserve Grand Champion Wether Dam.

**SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST FOR YOUTH EXHIBITORS**

First place winners in each category are not eligible to participate in the same age division the next year. While this activity is offered in an age bracket contest format, the committee desires that members enhance and improve their skills and performance for the long term benefit of the entire sheep industry.

The contest will be open for anyone exhibiting a market lamb at the 2016 Missouri State Fair within their age bracket. Exhibitors must provide and use their own animal. The age brackets will be as follows: 8-10 Junior; 11-13 Intermediate; 14-16 Senior; and 17-21 Senior Pro.

First place in each showmanship class will receive a plaque. The contest will start at 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 10 at the Sheep Pavilion. Age bracket sign up registration sheets will be available Wednesday afternoon at the Sheep Pavilion announcers' stand.

**Missouri Club Lamb Breeders Association** will sponsor the Junior Showmanship Class.

**Missouri Club Lamb Breeders Association** will sponsor the Intermediate Showmanship Class.

**Missouri Club Lamb Breeders Association** will sponsor the Senior Showmanship Class

**Missouri Club Lamb Breeders Association** will sponsor the Senior Pro Showmanship Class