

Department 49  
**SHEEP**

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Asst. Superintendent - Jenny Bradley  
Asst. Superintendent - Maria Davis  
Office Manager - Darlene Lewis  
Show Secretary - Carrie Pieter  
Campground Supervisor - Steve Yates

Amount offered by Fair in this Section (Est.).....\$13,650  
Added money.....\$ 1,877  
Total amount offered.....\$14,527

**SHEPHERD AWARD**

The Missouri State Fair will award an attractive plaque to the shepherd in charge of the most outstanding sheep exhibit. A committee will make inspections to determine the winner. The following points will be considered: 1) cleanliness, grooming and appearance of exhibits; 2) handling of feed, equipment, etc., and keeping same out of the alleys; 3) cooperation, courtesy, and sportsmanship in the exhibit area and show ring. The 2022 winner was Trey Graves.

**DEDICATION**

The 2023 Missouri State Fair Sheep Shows are being dedicated to the Jim Proffitt family from Richmond, Missouri, who are very important to the Missouri Sheep Industry. Please join us on Monday, August 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sheep Pavilion as we honor them.

4-H and FFA entries in the wethers and wether dams must adhere to fitting and unloading procedures as outlined in the 4-H and FFA section. All wethers and wether dams will report to the Horse Barn on the southeast corner of the Fairgrounds for unloading, health inspection and weigh-in.

**All sheep must be inspected prior to unloading.**

**4-H, FFA and OPEN SHEEP SCHEDULE**

**Wednesday, August 9**

7:00 a.m. Earliest arrival Market Lambs & Wether Dams - Horse Barn  
7-11 a.m. Market Lamb health check & weigh-in - Horse Barn  
7-11 a.m. Wether Dam health check - Horse Barn  
1:00 p.m. Wether Dam lamb weigh-in - Sheep Pavilion  
7:00 p.m. 4-H/FFA Market Lamb Showmanship - Sheep Pavilion

**Thursday, August 10**

8:00 a.m. 4-H Market Lamb Show - Sheep Pavilion  
1:00 p.m. FFA Market Lamb Show - Sheep Pavilion  
7:00 p.m. Carcass Show

**Friday, August 11**

7:30 a.m. 4-H/FFA Wether Dam Show - Sheep Pavilion (All Wether Dams released following the FFA show Friday 8/11.)  
12:00 p.m. **All Market Lambs & Wether Dams must be out of barn.**  
5:00 p.m. Earliest arrival 4-H/FFA Breeding Sheep - Sheep Pavilion  
8:00 p.m. 4-H/FFA Breeding Sheep must be checked in  
6-8:00 p.m. Check in all 4-H/FFA Breeding Sheep

**Saturday, August 12**

8:00 a.m. 4-H Breeding Sheep Show - Sheep Pavilion  
1:00 p.m. FFA Breeding Sheep Show - Sheep Pavilion  
6:00 p.m. Release 4-H/FFAsheep (Those not entered in the open show must be out by 10:00 p.m.)  
7:00 p.m. Sheep Fitting Competition - Sheep Pavilion

**Sunday, August 13**

9:00 a.m. Church service  
10:00 a.m. Earliest arrival Open Breeding Sheep  
12:45 p.m. 4-H and FFA Sheep Special Awards Presentation  
1:00 p.m. Lead Line - Pee Wee (7& under), Junior (8-10), Junior Intermediate (11-13), Intermediate (14-16), Senior 1 (17-22), Senior 2 (23-39) & Senior 3 (40+) - Sheep Pavilion  
2:00 p.m. Open Breeding Sheep must be in place  
3:30 p.m. Youth Sheep & Meat Goat Judging Contest - Sheep Pavilion  
6:00 p.m. Katahdin - Sheep Pavilion

**Monday, August 14**

9:00 a.m. Montadale - Sheep Pavilion  
11:00 a.m. Dorset - Sheep Pavilion **NEW**  
1:00 p.m. Southdown - Sheep Pavilion  
6:00 p.m. Hampshire - Sheep Pavilion

**Tuesday, August 15**

9:00 a.m. Tunis - Sheep Pavilion  
11:00 a.m. Natural Colored - Sheep Pavilion  
1:00 p.m. Dorper - Sheep Pavilion **NEW**  
3:00 p.m. Suffolk - Sheep Pavilion  
6:00 p.m. Shropshire - Sheep Pavilion

**Wednesday, August 16 NEW**

8:00 a.m. Breed representative meeting.  
9:00 a.m. AOMB - Sheep Pavilion, Arena 1 **NEW**  
10:30 a.m. AOWB - Sheep Pavilion, Arena 2 **NEW**  
11:00 a.m. Release Open Breeding Sheep and at the discretion of the superintendent.  
6:00 p.m. All breeding sheep must be out of barn.  
**(All sheep must be out of the barn by 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 16.)**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- Exhibitors must comply with the general rules and regulations and animal health requirements for exhibitors in this premium book.  
**Violation of these rules may result in any or all of the following:**
  - Withholding or return of payment for the animal or exhibit, premiums and awards.
  - Suspension from future exhibiting at the Missouri State Fair for a length of time to be determined by the Missouri State Fair Commission or the Director of the Missouri State Fair on behalf of the Commission. Suspensions can be for any length of time and may be permanent.
  - Probationary exhibiting at the Missouri State Fair for a length of time and under such terms and conditions to be determined by the Missouri State Fair Commission or the Director of the Missouri State Fair on behalf of the Commission.
  - Assessment of any other penalty determined by the Missouri State Fair Commission or the Director of the Missouri State Fair on behalf of the Commission.
- When there is only one (1) exhibit in a class, the exhibitor will receive half of the premium money for the placing awarded by the judge.
- The Missouri State Fair does not guarantee premium money, merchandise, prizes or special awards. Because the State Fair Commission is without constitutional or statutory authority to borrow money for its operation, it reserves the right to prorate premium money because of state budget restraints.
- Sheep must be owned by an individual or previous existing firm at least 30 days prior to the opening date of the Fair. All exhibitors, including Junior Exhibitors, must present certificates of registry to the Sheep Superintendent for examination. Certificates must show transfer of ownership to the exhibitor 30 days or more prior to the opening of the fair.
- All animals, regardless of age, must be recorded in their respective record associations and **wear the private ear tag recorded with the association at the time of showing.**
- Each exhibitor will be allowed to enter up to four lambs in a class, **NOTE** whether it is spring ewe lamb, fall ewe lamb, spring ram lamb or fall ram lamb, maximum of 16 total.
- NOTE** Maximum of 2 monies in yearling classes per exhibitor. When added money is provided by breed associations for slick sheared classes, then the exhibitor is allowed an additional two (2) monies for slick sheared yearling ewes. **NEW**
- All classes entered must be listed on the entry form (including group classes).
- The age of all Yearlings will be 9/1/2021 to 8/31/2022 as indicated on their registration papers. The age of all Lambs will be as follows: Lambs born September 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022 will be shown in the Fall Lamb Class. Lambs born January 1, 2023 and after will be shown in the Spring Lamb Class.
- In breeds where 16 head or more are checked into a class on show day, the class will be split. Classes will be divided by the Superintendent.
- Class splits in the Yearling Ewe/Ram Classes one yearling per exhibitor will be shown in each class, the single entries will be divided by random draw. In the Lamb ewe/ram classes, the class will be divided by birthdates.
- No open sheep to be allowed on the grounds** prior to 10 a.m., Sunday, August 13. All sheep must be in place by 2 p.m., Sunday, August 13. (Any Open Sheep in transit from another Fair will be allowed on the fairgrounds and penned in special holding areas until space is available in the sheep barn by 1:00 p.m.) **For special permission to arrive early or late contact the Sheep Superintendent.**
- In the event that only one exhibitor has made entries in any breed by closing date, that breed will be all other meat breed or all other wool breed show.
- Substitution will be allowed as follows: for registered breeding, an animal for an animal within the breed.
- Any party desiring to make a late entry** will be able to do so by paying \$6 per head for the Open Show, plus the entry fee. This can be done up to July 25, 2023.
- A \$6.00 Open breeding sheep per animal entry fee will be charged **and** \$4.00 4-H/FFA Breeding sheep per animal entry fee will be charged. Animals will be assigned to pens by the Superintendent. All pens will be used to maximum for sheep (use of pens for feed, storage, or cots will not be allowed).
- FEED AND BEDDING** - For information refer to the stalls, feed and bedding provisions in the general rules of this catalog.
- Vehicles parked at the Sheep Pavilion without proper vehicle hangtags are subject to towing at owner's expense. For admission and vehicle fee schedules, see the front of this premium book.
- Each exhibitor will be expected to keep his/her pens and areas clean.

20. A washing area for sheep will be provided. All exhibitors will be required to wash sheep in the assigned area only.
21. There will be no dogs allowed in any barns **whether** on a leash or in a cage. There will be NO exceptions.
22. In the Natural Colored show, if numbers warrant, the individual classes will be divided into Coarse Wool and Fine Wool type. All group classes and the selection of champions will be combined.
23. Some sheep breed associations are suggesting that entries be shown slick shorn. The Missouri State Fair will allow this practice and encourage the judge not to discriminate against such entries. The Missouri State Fair does not make any requirements for the slick shearing of sheep. Check with your breed association as to their promotion of this activity and their terminology as to time and type of shearing. Be sure to comply with all other rules outlined in Missouri State Fair Rules and Regulations.
24. In the Hampshire Show, if numbers warrant at entry check-in, the individual classes will be divided into "Fitted" and "Slicked". All group classes and selection of champions will be combined.
25. All **Shropshire** entries must be SLICK SHORN. Wool may be left below the knees, hocks, on the face and head from the poll forward; the remainder of the body is to be shorn to the skin within 5 days of the show date. Any entry not adhering to these rules will be dismissed from the show ring.
26. All Katahdin breeding sheep must be registered with their breed association and have a white certificate indicating 100% Katahdin ancestry (including 7/8 animals that have passed coat inspection). No clipping or trimming of animals is allowed for sheep exhibited in the Katahdin breeding shows.
27. In the Suffolk Show, if numbers warrant at entry check-in, the individual classes will be divided into "Fitted" and "Slicked". All group classes and selection of champions will be combined.
28. The State Fair is holding an All Other Wool Breeds Show as part of the Open Sheep show. The AOWB Show is for registered wool breeds that don't currently have their own show. Columbia, Corriedale, Rambouillet, Romney, Border Leicester, and Lincoln for example would be eligible to show as AOWB.
29. The State Fair is holding an All Other Meat Breeds Show as part of the Open Sheep Show. The AOMB show is for registered meat breeds that don't currently have their own show. Texel, North Country Cheviot, Boarder Cheviot, Oxford, and St. Croix for example would be eligible to show as AOMB.
30. The "Slick Shorn" Tunis female classes are as follows:

**Classes**

- 521 - Slick Shorn Tunis Yearling Ewe born 9/1/2021 to 8/31/2022
- 522 - Slick Shorn Tunis Ewe Lamb born 9/1/2022 and after

- Funds provided by the Midwest Tunis Association.
31. Horned Dorsets will show with Polled Dorsets.
32. All rules according to the Missouri State Fair will apply. If the entry does not adhere to these rules or the ones stated above, it will be dismissed from the show ring.
33. Premier Exhibitor award is open to Missouri Breeders only, a rosette will be awarded per breed based on total winnings.

**Exhibition requirements for sheep**

1. Intrastate and Interstate (sheep in Missouri moving within Missouri for exhibition only, and sheep from another state entering Missouri for exhibition only).
  - a. If sheep, regardless of age or gender, must be individually identified by an official scrapie ear tag or any other means of permanent identification approved by the state veterinarian identifying them to the flock-of-origin, and listed on a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.
  - b. All sheep must be free of clinical signs of an infectious or contagious disease.
  - c. No tests required.

**DEFINITIONS**

**Breeder Flock** - 1 yearling ram or ram lamb, 2 yearling ewes and 2 ewe lambs owned by exhibitor.

**Best Pair** - 1 ram and 1 ewe, any age.

**Pen of 4 Lambs** - Both sexes represented, owned by the exhibitor.

**NOTE:** September 1 is to be used as the base date for computing ages of sheep in all classes but only those animals that have lamb teeth will be eligible to show in lamb classes.

**Section A  
OPEN BREED CLASSES**

Premiums for all breeds not on exhibition status will be paid on the following scale:

Placing:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Individual Classes	\$24	20	17	15	13	11	10	9	6	
Pair Classes	\$13	11	10	9	8	7				

**Entry deadline must be received by July 3, 2023.**

	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
	Dorset	Dorper	Hampshire	Montadale	Shropshire	Southdown	Suffolk	Natural	Katahdin	Tunis	Alley	Alley
Yearling ram	60	88	116	144	172	200	228	256	284	312	340	368
Senior (fall) ram lamb	61	89	117	145	173	201	229	257	285	313	341	369
Junior (spring) ram lamb	63	91	119	147	175	203	231	259	287	315	343	371
Pair ram lambs	64	92	120	148	176	204	232	260	288	316	344	372
Champion ram												
Reserve champion ram												
Yearling ewe	67	95	123	151	179	207	235	263	291	319	347	375
Pair yearling ewes	68	96	124	152	180	208	236	264	292	320	348	376
Senior (fall) ewe lamb	69	97	125	153	181	209	237	265	293	321	349	377
Junior (spring) ewe lamb	71	99	127	155	183	211	239	267	295	323	351	379
Pair ewe lambs	72	100	128	156	184	212	240	268	296	324	352	380
Best pair	73	101	129	157	185	213	241	269	297	325	353	381
Champion ewe												
Reserve champion ewe												
Breeder flock	76	104	132	160	188	216	244	272	300	328	356	384
Pen of 4 lambs	77	105	133	161	189	217	245	273	301	329	357	385
Missouri Premier Exhibitor Award												

NOTE: Classes may be split if numbers permit.

**The Missouri Hampshire Horizon Award**, Traveling Plaque presented to the high point premier exhibitor who is a first time exhibitor at the Missouri State Fair Hampshire show.

**Youth Sheep and Meat Goat Judging Contest**

Sunday, August 13th at 3:30 in the Sheep Pavilion

The contest is open to all Missouri youth ages 5-21. There will be four divisions: Novice (ages 5-8), Junior (ages 9-13), Senior (ages 14-18), and Pro (ages 19-21). Registration for the contest will be from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., in the Sheep Pavilion; the contest begins at 3:30 p.m. Entry fee is \$5.00 per person and will be paid out to the top teams and individuals. Each team must be entered by a sponsor (Agricultural Education instructor or University of Missouri Extension Specialist). A team may have three or four members; only the top three individual scores will determine the team total. Individuals may also enter on their own and participate.

The contest will consist of four (4) sheep and meat goat judging classes and two (2) sets of questions for Junior, Senior and Pro Divisions. Novice Division will have no questions requirement. No oral reasons will be taken. Note: The amount of classes is subject to change.

The top individuals in each division will receive a cash award. The top three teams in each division will receive prizes sponsored by the Missouri Sheep Producers.

The results of the contest will be announced as soon as they are available. The results will be posted in the Sheep Pavilion the following day. A copy will also be mailed to each coach at the conclusion of the Fair.

**Section B**

**OPEN LAMB CARCASS SHOW**

**Superintendent - Greg Onstott, MDA, Jefferson City, MO**

**573-751-7766**

**Asst. Superintendent - Tony Hancock, MDA, Jefferson City, MO**

**JUDGES**

**On-Hoof - TBD**

**Carcass - TBD**

**Amount offered in this Section by State Fair..... \$2,288.00**

**Additional offered in this section by State Fair ..... \$ 535.00**

**Total amount offered in this section by State Fair..... \$2,823.00**

**THE MISSOURI STATE FAIR will award**

**\$725 to the Grand Champion Lamb Carcass overall winner and**

**\$375 to the Reserve Grand Champion Lamb Carcass overall winner**

**PREMIUM LIST ON-HOOF CLASS PLACINGS**

\*\*Entries will be divided after weigh-in into a maximum of six classes with the following premium schedule applying to each of the six classes:

**Class - Lambs 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8**

**230-231-232-233-234-235 \$25 23 21 19 17 16 14 13**

**On-Hoof Champion - \$125**

**On-Hoof Reserve Champion \$75**

**PREMIUM LIST FOR LAMB CARCASS CLASS PLACINGS**

**Class 240 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12**

**\$95 87 75 63 59 55 47 39 35 31 29 20**

The **Missouri Sheep Producers** and the **Missouri Sheep Merchandising Council** will donate trophies for the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion On-hoof and On-rail lambs. The **Missouri State Fair** will award plaques to the two highest placing junior exhibitors in the Lamb Carcass Contest.

**MFA Feed Division** will award \$500 to the Grand Champion and \$250 to the Reserve Grand Champion on-the-rail overall winners of the Open Lamb Carcass Show. To qualify, animals must be enrolled in the MFA 4-H/FFA Livestock Premium Program, using one of the MFA recommended feeds. See your authorized MFA Feed supplier for details.



#### PURPOSE

- To promote the sheep industry in Missouri.
- To help identify breeding animals which have the ability to produce lambs and desirable carcasses and percentage of lean meat.
- To teach individuals how to recognize in live lambs those qualities which produce a superior carcass.
- To study lamb carcasses and establish standards of evaluating carcasses.

#### RULES

- Advance or Pre-Entry of all 4-H/FFA and open carcass show lambs is required on the Missouri State Fair entry blank.** All lambs entered in the carcass contest will require an \$8.00 per head entry fee. No pen rent will be charged. Wether and ewe lambs are eligible to compete in the contest. All entries must be slaughtered.
- No lamb that has competed in the live on-foot competition of the Open Carcass show may be withdrawn, removed or otherwise withheld from processing by the exhibitor. Should a lamb entered in the Open Carcass show be selected as the 4-H/FFA Grand Champion Lamb or 4-H/FFA Reserve Grand Champion Lamb of the Missouri State Fair in the 4H/FFA Lamb Show, it will remain on the Missouri State Fairgrounds until after the Sale of Champions at which time it will be shipped for processing under the supervision of the Missouri State Fair Livestock Superintendent.

**Violation of these rules may result in any or all of the following:**

- Withholding or return of payment for the animal or exhibit, premiums and awards.
  - Suspension from future exhibiting at the Missouri State Fair for a length of time to be determined by the Missouri State Fair Commission or the Director of the Missouri State Fair on behalf of the Commission. Suspensions can be for any length of time and may be permanent.
  - Probationary exhibiting at the Missouri State Fair for a length of time and under such terms and conditions to be determined by the Missouri State Fair Commission or the Director of the Missouri State Fair on behalf of the Commission.
  - Assessment of any other penalty determined by the Missouri State Fair Commission or the Director of the Missouri State Fair on behalf of the Commission.
- When there is only one (1) exhibit in a class, the exhibitor will receive half of the premium money for the placing awarded by the judge.
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  - An exhibitor may nominate a total of four (4) lambs for carcass evaluation competition.
  - Lambs will be entered into Classes 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, or 235 at time of weigh-in by Fair staff. Exhibitors are required to fill out entry cards at that time, including name, address, zip code, and breed.
  - Open Lamb Carcass Contest wethers and ewes must be in place by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, August 9. All lambs entered in the carcass show need to report to the Horse Barn (Gate 11) on the southwest corner of the fairgrounds for unloading, health inspection and weigh-in on Wednesday, August 9, from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 noon. The live minimum weight will be **120 lbs.** The on-hoof classes will be divided equally and posted prior to the on-hoof show. These entries will be judged in the on-hoof classes on Thursday, August 10, at 7:00 p.m.
  - Weigh-in will be conducted and under the supervision of officials of the Missouri Department of Agriculture, Divisions of Ag Business Development, Weights and Measures and Animal Health.
  - Trucking fees, not to exceed \$10 for each animal, will be deducted from the exhibitor's livestock payment.
  - All entries must be completely slick shorn prior to arrival at the Fair.
  - Lambs will be loaded out on Thursday, August 10, immediately following the On-Hoof Show. Lambs will be processed by Colorado Lamb Processors, Brush, CO. The packer will purchase the lambs at current market prices. The processor may deduct an administration fee of \$3.00 per exhibitor. Payment for animals will be mailed directly to exhibitors from the Missouri State Fair.
  - The Missouri State Fair reserves the right to have urine, blood, saliva and/or tissue tests performed on any market animal to detect practices not considered to be normal or usual animal husbandry practices, including the use of anabolic steroids, diuretics, feed additives or drug residues. An exhibitor of an animal producing a positive analysis of drugs, unapproved medication or chemical residues, may result in any or all of the following:
    - Withholding of payment for the animal, premiums and awards.
    - Suspension from future exhibiting at the Missouri State Fair for a length of time to be determined by Missouri State Fair Commission

or the Director of the Missouri State Fair on behalf of the Commission. Suspensions can be for any length of time and may be permanent.

- Probationary exhibiting at the Missouri State Fair for a length of time and under such terms and conditions to be determined by Missouri State Fair Commission or the Director of the Missouri State Fair on behalf of the Commission.
  - Assessment of any other penalty determined by the Missouri State Fair Commission or the Director of the Missouri State Fair on behalf of the Commission.
- Carcasses must meet these minimum requirements to be fully evaluated and eligible for placing:
    - Carcasses must weigh at least 50 lbs.
    - Carcasses must grade USDA Choice or Prime.
    - Carcasses must have these minimum loin eye areas:
 

50-54.9 lbs. Carcass weight - 2.3 sq. in.
55-59.9 lbs. Carcass weight - 2.4 sq. in.
60-64.9 lbs. Carcass weight - 2.5 sq. in.
65-69.9 lbs. Carcass weight - 2.6 sq. in.
70-74.9 lbs. Carcass weight - 2.7 sq. in.
75-79.9 lbs. Carcass weight - 2.8 sq. in.
80-84.9 lbs. Carcass weight - 2.9 sq. in.
85-89.9 lbs. Carcass weight - 3.0 sq. in.
90-94.9 lbs. Carcass weight - 3.1 sq. in.
95 lbs. & up Carcass weight - 3.2 sq. in.
    - The carcass judge has the opportunity to disqualify any carcass due to poor muscling, quality, etc.
  - The weight, grade, fat cover, loin eye and reason for disqualification will be reported on all carcasses not meeting minimum standards.
  - All lambs condemned by the government inspector will be eliminated from the carcass show at no value.
  - The lambs meeting the above minimum requirements shall be placed on an index with the base being the percent boneless retail yield (as derived from the yield grade).
 

Placing Procedures:

    - Calculate grade and percentage retail yield (fat thickness converts to yield grade and yield grade gives percentage retail yield). Subtract 50 points for 0 mm fat, 25 points for 1 mm fat, and 10 points for 2 mm fat. There is no penalty for carcasses measuring more than 2 mm and less than 7 mm of fat. Carcasses with more than 7 mm fat are discounted through the calculation of the percent retail yield.
    - Establish loin eye minimums based on carcass weight from table shown in rule #13. Add 1 point to index score for each .1 square inch of loin eye over minimum.
    - Check chilled weight for outside of the 50 lbs. minimum. Carcass is disqualified if below 50 lbs.
    - Adjust quality grade by adding 2.0 for 1/3 of grade above low choice.
    - Subtract 10 points for cryptorchids, "bucky" rams and yearling mutton carcasses.
    - Rank according to highest index numbers.
    - Subtract 25 points for carcasses weighing less than 65 lbs.
    - Subtract 25 points for carcasses weighing more than 95 lbs.
  - A copy of the final carcass results will be mailed or emailed to each exhibitor.

#### Section C

#### SHOW-ME LEAD LINE

**MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES - Jolynn Yates**

**Assistant - Pam Busdieker**

**Sunday, August 13, 1:00 p.m.**

**Amount offered in this class ..... \$600.00**

#### RULES AND REGULATIONS

**Entry may be made with your other Fair entries, but must be in by 10:00 a.m. Sunday, August 13, 2023.**

**Entry fee \$5.00 (entry on sheep entry blank),**

**no entry fee for Pee Wee Fun Line.**

**Complete the Lead Line Emcee form on the**

**Missouri State Fair website and bring it with you to the show.**

- The purpose of this class is to present a class of beauty, to acquaint the public with modern sheep production, and to promote the use of wool by demonstrating its beauty, versatility and source.
- Entries in this class are open to any exhibitor or sponsored individual of any breed of sheep at the 2023 Missouri State Fair. These must be registered ewe lambs or yearling ewes conditioned and fitted for show, and trained to lead at halter. Other rules for exhibiting sheep at the Missouri State Fair pertain.
- Entrants chosen by sponsoring exhibitors must be: Junior Division, ages 8 to 10; Junior Intermediate Division, ages 11 to 13; Intermediate Division, ages 14 to 16; Senior 1 Division, ages 17 to 22; Senior 2 Division, 23 to 39 and Senior 3 Division, 40 and over. All entrants must wear wool or wool blend outfits either purchased or constructed by individual.
- Entrants will be judged on the appropriateness and attractiveness of their attire, their poise and appearance, and their control and presentation of the ewe.
- Applications will be available at the table in the sheep barn beginning on Thursday, August 10.
- There is a strict limit of 75 words for the biography and the attire description on the Emcee Form.
- When there is only one (1) exhibit in a class, the exhibitor will receive half of the premium money for the placing awarded by the judge.

- The Missouri State Fair does not guarantee premium money, merchandise, prizes or special awards. Because the State Fair Commission is without constitutional or statutory authority to borrow money for its operation, it reserves the right to prorate premium money because of state budget restraints.
- There will be a Pee Wee Fun Line for all contestants 7 years of age and under. We encourage all Pee Wees to take part in this interesting sheep activity at the Sheep Pavilion. Entrants for the Pee Wee Fun Line's attire may be made of wool, but is not required.

Class	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1 "Pee Wee" Fun Line Class 7 & under	Fun Lead Line - Ribbons Awarded									
2 Junior Division Class 8-10	\$24	20	16	12	8	4	4	4	4	4
3 Junior Intermediate Division Class 11-13	24	20	16	12	8	4	4	4	4	4
4 Intermediate Division Class 14-16	24	20	16	12	8	4	4	4	4	4
5 Senior 1 Division Class 17-22	24	20	16	12	8	4	4	4	4	4
6 Senior 2 Division Class 23-39	24	20	16	12	8	4	4	4	4	4
7 Senior 3 Division Class 40 & Over	24	20	16	12	8	4	4	4	4	4

All participants will receive a ribbon of participation in appreciation for promotion of wool.

**Missouri Sheep Producers will award:**

Classes 2, 3 and 4, additional premiums: 1st Place-\$30; 2nd-Place \$20; and 3rd Place-\$10.

Class 5: scholarship valued at \$300.

Class 6 and 7: \$100 gift cards.

Ribbons will be awarded from the State Fair and other awards from State Fair supporters.

**The Missouri Hampshire Sheep Association**, Kay Hayter, Treasurer, 459 East 550th Road, Walnut Grove, MO 65770, 417-788-2637, will award \$20 to the highest placing headline participant using a Hampshire. Only awarded to Junior, Intermediate and Senior 1 Classes.

**The Missouri Shropshire Association**, Carrie Peiter, treasurer, will make cash awards to the highest placing lead line participant using a Shropshire. Only awarded to Junior and Intermediate classes.

**The Missouri Dorset Association**, Susan Lacey, treasurer, will award cash prizes to the highest placing lead line participant using a Dorset. Only awarded to Junior and Intermediate classes.

**Section D  
WOOL**

**Superintendent - Warren FINDER, Kingman, KS**  
**Judge - Warren FINDER, Kingman, KS**

**Amount offered by Missouri Sheep Producers in this Section** ..... \$150.00

**JUDGING PROGRAM**

**Tuesday, August 17, 8:00 a.m. in Sheep Pavilion**

The objectives of this exhibit are to encourage the production of better wool, to stimulate interest in the proper preparation of wool for market, and to select the best fleeces entered in each class.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- Any grower of wool may enter fleeces, but they must be entered in the name of the grower who grew them.
- The Missouri State Fair does not guarantee premium money, merchandise, prizes or special awards. Because the State Fair Commission is without constitutional or statutory authority to borrow money for its operation, it reserves the right to prorate premium money because of state budget restraints.
- Eligibility of Fleeces - In order to compete for prizes, each fleece must: a) have been shorn in 2022, b) represent not more than 12 months growth except in the case of yearling fleeces, in which 16 months

growth will be allowed, and c) give a registration number for purebred fleeces.

Qualifications - Any fleece entered in competition at the Wool Show will be discriminated against if:

- Tied with other than paper twine
  - Showing any paint or tar brands (soluble branding fluids permissible)
  - Showing excessive dung locks or tags
  - Discolored by excessive moisture
  - Cotted
  - Showing a weak staple or break in fiber
  - Containing any excess burrs or other vegetable matter
- Preparation of Fleeces - The fleeces will be exhibited in clear plastic or white plastic bags.
  - Delivery - Fleeces will be delivered to the Superintendent of the Wool Show at the Missouri State Fair, 2503 W. 16th St., Sedalia, MO 65301. Transportation cost must be prepaid by the exhibitor.
  - Entries close August 14. Mail all entries directly to Wool Superintendent, Missouri State Fair, 2503 W. 16th St., Sedalia, MO 65301.
  - Exhibitors are limited to two entries in any class, but entries may be made in as many classes as desired. No fleece can compete in more than one class except for champion or special prizes.
  - In case of controversy relative to classification of any fleece offered for exhibition, affidavits from the exhibitor may be required. In all controversies and in any interpretation of these rules and regulations, the decision of a committee consisting of the Wool Show Superintendent and the Director of the Fair shall be final.

**YOUTH WOOL SHOW**

Class	1	2	3
1YF Youth Fine Wool	\$7	\$6	\$5
2YM Youth Medium Wool	7	6	5
3YNC Youth Natural Colored Wool	7	6	5

**Rules and Regulations**

- Must be 18 years old or under to participate.
- Limit of 2 fleeces per class per exhibitor. Fleeces may be commercial or purebred.
- Youth fleeces will be eligible for open class show.
- All rules and regulations apply as printed for open class.

**COMMERCIAL CLASSES**

Class	1	2	3	4	5
4 Fine combing - 64-70-80	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$5	\$5
5 1/2 Blood combing - 60-62	7	6	5	5	5
6 3/8 Blood combing - 56-58	7	6	5	5	5
7 1/4 Blood combing - 50-54	7	6	5	5	5
8 Low 1/4 Blood - 44-48	7	6	5	5	5

(Numbers refer to spinning count)

**BREED CLASSES**

Only fleeces from purebred sheep of the following breeds shall be eligible to compete in this division, as evidenced by registration number.

9 Corriedale	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$5	\$5
10 Natural Colored fine combing	7	6	5	5	5
11 Natural Colored medium combing	7	6	5	5	5
12 Natural Colored coarse combing	7	6	5	5	5
13 Dorset and other whiteface purebreds	7	6	5	5	5
14 Rambouillet	7	6	5	5	5
Champion Fleece	Rosette				
Reserve Champion Fleece	Rosette				

**2023 Sheep Schedule**

**OPEN BREEDING SHEEP**

**MAY ARRIVE:** Sunday, August 13, 10:00 a.m.

**MUST BE IN PLACE:** Sunday, August 13, 2:00 p.m.

**RELEASE:** Wednesday, August 18, 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday August 9	Thursday August 10	Friday August 11	Saturday August 12	Sunday August 13	Monday August 14	Tuesday August 15	Wednesday August 16	Thursday August 17	Friday August 18	Saturday August 19
7-11:00 a.m. Health Check & Weigh-in All Market Lambs 7-11:00 a.m. Health Check all Wether Dams 1:00 p.m. Wether Dam Weigh-in 7:00 p.m. 4-H/FFA Market Lamb Showmanship	8:00 a.m. 4-H Market Lamb Show 1:00 p.m. FFA Market Lamb Show 7:00 p.m. On-Hoof Open Lamb Carcass Show	7:30 a.m. 4-H/FFA Wether Dam Show 12:00 p.m. All Market Lambs & Wether Dams must be out of barn. 5:00 p.m. Earliest Arrival 4-H/FFA Breeding Sheep must be in place	8:00 a.m. 4-H Breeding Sheep Show 1:00 p.m. FFA Breeding Sheep Show 6:00 p.m. Release 4-H/FFA Sheep (those not in the Open Show must be out by 10 p.m.) 7:00 p.m. Sheep Fitting	9:00 a.m. Church Service 10:00 a.m. Earliest arrival Open Sheep 1:00 p.m. Leadline Pee Wee, Junior, Junior Intermediate, Intermediate, Senior 1, Senior 2, Senior 3 2:00 p.m. Open Sheep must be in place 3:30 p.m. Youth Sheep & Meat Goat Judging Contest 6:00 p.m. Katahdin	9:00 a.m. Montadale 11:00 a.m. Dorset 1:00 p.m. Southdown 6:00 p.m. Hampshire	9:00 a.m. Tunis 11:00 a.m. Natural Colored 1:00 p.m. Dorper 3:00 p.m. Suffolk 6:00 p.m. Shropshire	9:00 a.m. AOMB Arena 1 10:30 a.m. Arena 2 11:00 a.m. Release Open Breeding Sheep at the discretion of the Superintendent 6:00 p.m. All breeding sheep must be out of barn			1:30 p.m. Sale of Champions Lowell Mohler Assembly Hall



