

4-H SHEEP SHOW

All sheep must have an official Scrapie I. D.

- A. This show is open to 4-H members 5 -18 years of age in Sullivan, Cheshire, Grafton, Hillsborough, and Merrimack counties.
- B. Exhibitors can show only two breeds in Classes 2-7, and no person shall exhibit more than two animals in any class other than group classes. Two entries are allowed in group classes but only one premium will be paid. Please note exhibitors are limited to 6 breed class animals.
- C. Breeds: This show will be open to sheep of all breeds. Ewe and ram sheep/lambs must be registered in the name of the member exhibiting them. Animals not owned by the 4-H exhibitor must be listed on the 4-H approved lease form. Registration of leased, purebred animals must be registered in the name of the actual owner. Market lambs and grade ewes do not need breed registration papers.
- D. Classes will be divided by breeds at the discretion of the Superintendent.
- E. Market lambs include wethers, ewe lambs, or ram lambs. These lambs are not to be shown in any other class unless it is the only animal owned/leased by the youth. Should this be the case, the animal will be shown in the required Fitting and Showmanship class.
- F. The Danish System of awards will be used:
 - A. 15.00 B. 12.00 C. 10.00
- G. Fit & Show Premiums and Leadline Premiums:
 - A. 30.00 B. 25.00 C. 20.00
- H. CLASS/Age of exhibitors:
 - A. SENIOR—14 to 18 years of age or older by January 1st of current year.
 - B. INTERMEDIATE— 12 and 13 years of age as of January 1st of current year.
 - C. JUNIOR— 9 and 11 years of age as of January 1st of current year.
 - D. NOVICE—First time showing, under 14 years of age.
 - E. CLOVERBUD – 5 – 8 years of age.

YOUTH FITTING AND SHOWMANSHIP

(Show starts Friday, 10:00 am, beginning with Class A (Senior.) Participation is required by all exhibitors.

YOUTH SHEEP BREED SHOW CONTEST

All breeds of sheep, including grade ewe lambs and yearlings, may participate in breed class. No grade rams may be exhibited in breed class. Grade animals are defined as animals without registration papers.

(Show starts immediately following fitting and showmanship classes, in alphabetical order.)

CLASSES: (For age of exhibitor, see Sheep Division, number 9.)

- 1 a. FALL RAM LAMB born between Sept. 1 and Dec. 31 of previous year.
 - b. SPRING RAM LAMB born between Jan. 1 and April 21 of current year.
 - 2. YEARLING RAM not yet two years of age.
 - 3. CHAMPION RAM – special rosette
 - 4. a. FALL EWE LAMB born between Sept. 1 and Dec. 31 of previous year.
 - b. SPRING EWE LAMB born between Jan. 1 and April 21 of current year.
 - 5. YEARLING EWE not yet 2 years of age.
 - 6. CHAMPION EWE—Special Rosette.
 - 7. *EXHIBITOR'S FLOCK—Class to consist of 2 ewes, and one ram, owned by exhibitor.
 - 8. *PAIR OF LAMBS—Class to consist of: ANY SEX, BRED and OWNED BY EXHIBITOR.
 - 9. *BREEDER'S FLOCK—Class consists of: ONE RAM ANY AGE, TWO EWES, BRED and OWNED by exhibitor.
 - 10. SUPREME CHAMPION RAM OVER ALL—Special Award All champion animals to compete at end of breed class.
 - 11. SUPREME CHAMPION EWE OVER ALL—Special Award All champion animals to compete at end of breed class.
- *NOTE: In all bred and owned classes, papers must be shown in the show ring. All entries in group classes must have been shown as individuals in previous classes.
- 12. BEST FLEECE CLASS
 - 13. MARKET LAMB CLASS -
 - a. MARKET LAMB—All market lambs will be slick shorn and clean. All must be dry in show ring.
 - b. CHAMPION MARKET LAMB BANNER—Award Given

14. YOUTH BLOCKING AND TRIMMING – Must supply your own (Show time to be announced.)

- a. Senior
- b. Intermediate
- c. Junior
- d. Novice
- e. Cloverbud

BLOCKING AND TRIMMING RULES: (For age of exhibitors, see Sheep Division, number 9.) The purpose of this contest is to allow contestants the opportunity to show his or her ability and skill at preparing a sheep for show. Judging will

be based on teamwork, blocking and trimming ability, technique (i.e., patience and gentleness) in handling a sheep which has not been handled before, technique in using various pieces of trimming equipment, and the ability to find and accentuate the good qualities of a sheep. General rules for 4-H Eastern States Exposition's Blocking and Trimming with regards to use of electric shears will apply for 4-H participants 12 years of age and older. This will provide additional practice for 4-H members qualifying to represent the State of New Hampshire at the Eastern States Exposition. Time limits and equipment allowed will be announced by the judge at the time of the contest. Please try to arrange for your own sheep. A limited number of animals will be available to youth unable to provide their own. All animals must be washed, but not fitted, prior to the opening of the Cornish Fair.

15. 4-H LEAD LINE CONTEST: This class was created to promote and educate the public on wool products and the animal that produces wool. 4-H members may purchase or make their garments. In the event of a tie, extra credit will be awarded to the 4-H member making their own garment. (Show starts Saturday at 6:00pm.)

- a. Senior
- b. Intermediate
- c. Junior
- d. Novice

SHEEP LEAD LINE CONTEST RULES: Lead line is open to all exhibitors. A commentary describing the 4-H'er and sheep must be turned in at check-in time on Thursday. No exceptions will be made. Sheep/lamb must be owned or leased by the exhibitor. All work in trimming and training to halter must be done by exhibitor. Sheep must be shown with trimmed fleece and be fitted correctly for its breed. No coloring of sheep/lamb. At least 70% of the garment must be wool. Garment should be appropriate for fabric. Garment should be appropriate for the age of the youth exhibitor. Entrant and sheep/lamb should complement each other.

Exhibitors will be judged on:

- a. Poise and appearance
- b. Garment
- c. Control and presentation of sheep/lamb
- d. Appearance of sheep/lamb

16. SHEEP PROMOTION AWARD—Presented to the individual or club who best exhibits an attractive, creative, and educational display in their sheep pen area. Consideration given to neatness, cleanliness, audience appeal, and effective promotion of the sheep industry. A trophy will be awarded.
17. Shepherd's Award—All exhibitors will be scored daily on general appearance, care of animals and pens, personal appearance and conduct, care of show box and equipment, and availability to public and other youth exhibitors needing guidance. Danish System of awards.
18. OBSTACLE COURSE—4-H members are asked to participate if they are not exhibiting elsewhere. This is a fun adventurous competition with obstacles for both the animal and the exhibitor.
19. SKILL-A-THON – 4-H members are asked to participate if they are not exhibiting elsewhere on the fairgrounds. This is an educational, hands on and visual competition that tests all your knowledge of the sheep program. Award is given to the top exhibitor in each age group.

