

Sheep Show Rules

1. Animals must be penned between 3p.m. and 7p.m. Thursday, September 10th, and remain on the grounds until 7:00 p.m. Sunday, September 13th unless released by the superintendent.
2. Leadline and obstacle course will be held Friday evening. Showmanship and open breed will be held on Saturday morning. The Spinning Bee and Fleece and Skein Judging will be held Sunday morning.
3. Every person entering the fairgrounds must have a valid pass, season pass wristband or they must purchase a gate ticket. Exhibitors will be given ONE pass to the fair. Exhibitors sixteen years or younger may obtain one additional season pass wristband for their parent or driver of their vehicle.
4. Exhibitors are limited to two entries per class per breed, except in group classes where only one entry is allowed. Rams are limited to two and ewe lambs to two per flock and a limit of 6 animals total per flock.
5. Market Lambs. All animals MUST be sheared no earlier than two weeks before the show. Ram lambs, wethers or ewe lambs will be allowed. Lambs may enter appropriate breed class or market lamb class but not both. Weight divisions will be decided the day of the show. Market lambs will be limited to one animal per flock or exhibitor.
6. Junior and Senior Lamb classes will be divided as follows:
Seniors - born 9/1/08 through 12/31/08
Juniors - born after January 1, 2009.
7. All exhibitors must show superintendent appropriate Rabies and Health Certificates of registry (Breeders Flock) before animals are unloaded.
8. All animals must be clean, dry and fitted, animals not washed and smoothly shorn will be refused entry. **WASHING OF ANIMALS WILL BE DONE IN BACK OF THE SHEEP BARN.**
9. Showmanship exhibitors must clean, fit, and show their own animals and shall be neatly attired in the show ring apparel (white shirt, solid color pants) or will be refused entry into the show ring.
10. Bedding will be provided. Exhibitors must furnish all feed and care during the entire fair weekend. Pens must be cleaned on Sunday.
11. The superintendent reserves the right to reject any entry for health reasons, if it is deemed advisable.
12. Classes may be altered at the superintendent's discretion.
13. Any animals shown in group classes must have been shown individually in any one individual breed class.
14. SKEIN CONTEST - Minimum of 2 oz. exhibitor spun yarn. must be 100% wool, labeled with an index card stating breed of sheep. There will be two classes - natural & dyed. May enter one skein in each class. MUST enter on the entry form. No late entries will be accepted.
15. SPINNING BEE - There will be a warm-up preceding a 10-minute heat. Niddy Nodies will be provided for measuring amount of yarn spun in allotted time.
16. FLEECE SHOW - Fleeces must be owned by exhibitor, not purchased or borrowed, and should be from sheep shorn within the past 12 months. Labeled with an index card stating age, sex, and breed of sheep. There will be three classes - medium wool, long wool & natural colored. Judged on handspinning rules. Maximum two fleeces per person per class. MUST enter on the entry form. No late entries will be accepted
17. Breed Display (Danish) Open and youth divisions. Must pertain to exhibitor's breed and will be judged on age appropriateness and creativity.
18. JUNIOR SHEPHERDS AWARDS at the discretion of the superintendent. All junior exhibitors will be judged on cleanliness of sheep, pens, buckets, feeders and aisles, also on sportsmanship, presence in the ring and courtesy to the public during the ENTIRE FAIR WEEKEND.
19. For Classes #17 - 22, entries will close on September 10th.
20. ENTRIES WILL CLOSE WHEN THE BARN IS FULL.

Note: See State Requirements

Sheep — Department 8

Superintendent: Lara Sullivan, 74 Great Hillwood Road, Moodus, CT 06469

Assistant Superintendent: Ray Doyle, 6 Station Road, Windham, CT 06280

Showman & Breed - Saturday 9 a.m. , Sheep Obstacle Course - Sunday 10 a.m.

Classes

A - Dorset **B - Hampshire** **C - Shropshire** **D - Southdown**
E - Oxford **F - Suffolk** **G - Lincoln** **H - Natural Color** **I - All Other Breeds**

Lot No.	Description	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
1	Yearling Ram	\$15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
2	Senior Ram Lamb	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
3	Junior Ram Lamb	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
4	Pair of Ram Lambs	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
5	Yearling Ewe	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
6	Pair of Yearling Ewes	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
7	Senior Ewe Lamb	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
8	Junior Ewe Lamb	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
9	Pair of Ewe Lambs	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
10	Exhibitor Flock (1 ram, 2 yearling ewes, 2 ewe lambs owned by exhibitor)	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
11	Breeders Flock (1 ram, 2 yearling ewes, 2 ewe lambs bred and owned by the exhibitor)	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
12	Pen of Three lambs (bred and owned by the exhibitor)	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
13	Get of Sire (4 animals any age, both sexes represented, the get of one sire)	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
14	Pen Decorations (open to all sheep exhibitors)	Open	30.00	25.00	20.00	—
		Youth	30.00	25.00	20.00	—
15	Breed Display (open to all sheep exhibitors)	Open	20.00	10.00	5.00	—
		Youth	20.00	10.00	5.00	—
16	Jr. Shepherds Awards (ALL junior exhibitors must participate. It will be judged on cleanliness of sheep, pens, buckets, feeders and aisles. Also on sportsmanship, presence in showing and courtesy to the public during the entire fair weekend.)	10.00	5.00	—	—	—
17	Shepherds Leadline (Open - Sr. - Jr. - Novice)	50.00	45.00	35.00	25.00	15.00
18	Obstacle Course (Open - Sr. - Jr. - Novice)	25.00	20.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
19	Showmanship (Open - Sr. - Jr. - Novice)	25.00	20.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
20	Fleece Contest	Medium Wool	20.00	15.00	10.00	—
		Long Wool	20.00	15.00	10.00	—
		Natural Colored	20.00	15.00	10.00	—
21	Spinning Bee	Open	20.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
		Youth	20.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
22	Skein Contest (Exhibitor spun only)	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
23	Lightweight Market Lamb	15.00	13.00	11.00	9.00	7.00
24	Supreme Champion Ewe			Prizes TBA		
25	Supreme Champion Ram			Prizes TBA		