

## DIVISION 2: SHEEP

Superintendent: Sherissa Katzenberger & Jennie Hudson

1. Market and Breeding sheep shall have NO EVIDENCE OF SURGICAL DOCKING, PROLAPES, PURSE STRINGS, SUTURES, ETC. If any of these are evident in any sheep it will be disqualified for the show and will be removed from the grounds.
2. To be eligible for competition, Market Sheep must be the property of the exhibitor and officially ear-tagged 60 days prior to the fair. All sheep must have a scrapies tag at the first weigh-in and to check-in at fair. Each 4-H or FFA member will be charged a \$5.00/ animal fee at first weigh-in.
3. Breeding sheep ownership is 60 days prior to the fair and must have a scrapies tag.
4. **\*\*\*ALL BREEDING SHEEP WILL BE SHOWN SLICK SHORN (WOOL LENGTH NO LONGER THEN 1/4 INCH) UNLESS THE ANIMAL IS SHOWN AS A WOOL BREED.** This will apply to **ALL**: Breeding Animals that enter the show ring to exhibit in the breeding show.
5. **\*\*\*ALL SHEEP ARE TO BE SHEARED PRIOR TO ARRIVAL ON FAIRGROUNDS.** Touch- up and fitting is allowed on the grounds.
6. **\*\*\*Speckled face sheep and white face sheep may show as a wool breed upon Superintendents' approval.** Superintendents' decision on classification will be final.
7. Lambs may be mouthed for over age. Lambs must be born after Dec. 1 of the previous year. Lambs showing either or both of the first pair of permanent incisors will not be eligible to show in Market Lamb classes.
8. Each exhibitor may enter and show 2 market lambs if they have a complete record book of all animals in that project. Each Exhibitor May also enter 1 lamb for the carcass contest. Each exhibitor may only sell 1 animal in the Livestock Sale.
9. Market Sheep may be divided into meat and wool breeds for judging. Speckled face lambs and white face lambs may show as wool breeds. Superintendent's decisions on classification will be final. (Market Sheep must weigh the following to show: **100 -170 lbs** exceptions are white face and Southdowns **80-170 lbs.**)
10. Homegrown class comprised of market lambs born and raised by the exhibitor.
11. CLEAN UP- All pens and alleys must be cleaned daily before 9:00 a.m. with refuse disposed of as posted.
12. WATER - A water container, with water, must be present in each pen at all times. Mesa County Livestock Leaders or Superintendents reserve the right, at its sole discretion to give water to any sheep while on the Mesa County Fairgrounds.
13. SIGNAGE- All members must have a sign on their pen/s with their name and club on it.
14. Wet towels only will be acceptable. Towels immersed in ice water will not be allowed.
15. RATE OF GAIN - Award the top 10 places.
16. Market lambs must gain a minimum of 20 pounds between first weigh- in and fair weigh- in to be eligible to show and sale.
17. CHECK OUT AND RELEASE - All Market and Breeding Sheep members check out with the superintendent before removing their sheep from the fairgrounds.
18. There will be **NO** wood shavings allowed in the pens.
19. Muzzles may be use in an appropriate manner.

### SECTION 1: SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

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| Class #1. | Novice Showmanship "Market Only"                              |
| Class #2. | Junior Showmanship (ages: 8, 9, and 10) "Market Only"         |
| Class #3. | Intermediate Showmanship (ages: 11, 12, and 13) "Market Only" |
| Class #4. | Senior Showmanship (ages: 14 and up) "Market Only"            |
| Class #5. | Adult Showmanship                                             |
| Class #6. | Novice Showmanship "Breeding Only"                            |
| Class #7. | Junior Showmanship "Breeding Only"                            |
| Class #8. | Intermediate Showmanship "Breeding Only"                      |
| Class #9. | Senior Showmanship "Breeding Only"                            |

### SECTION 2: MARKET SHEEP

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| Class #1. | Feeders ( <i>not necessary to pre-enter</i> )                                                                                                       |
| Class #2. | Market Lambs - Meat Breeds                                                                                                                          |
| Class #3. | Market Lambs - Wool Breeds                                                                                                                          |
| Class #4. | Home Grown (market lambs born on your property, placing in this class will not determine sell order). ( <i>not necessary to pre-enter</i> )         |
| Class #5. | 4-H/FFA Club Groups of Three Lambs. Three entries required for a class, if a club pre-enters, they must show. ( <i>not necessary to pre-enter</i> ) |

### SECTION 3: BREEDING SHEEP

Meat Breeds

Wool Breeds

	CLASS#	Class #
Ram Under 12 mo.	1	7
Ram 12 to 24 mo.	2	8
Ram over 24 mo.	3	9
Ewe Under 12 mo.	4	10
Ewe 12 to 24 mo.	5	11
Ewe Over 24 mo.	6	12

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Ram (Meat)  
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Ewe (Meat)  
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Ram (Wool)  
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Ewe (Wool)

- Class #13. Flock (consisting of one ram and two ewes)  
Class #14. Get of Sire (consisting of Sire and three offspring)  
Class #15. Dam and Produce (Consisting of Dam and up to three of this year's offspring)

#### SECTION 4: LAMB CARCASS CONTEST

Superintendent:

1. Wether and ewe lambs are eligible for competition.
  2. All animals must be weighed and tagged at the first weigh-in in May.
  3. Each junior exhibitor is limited to ONE (1) lamb in the program.
  4. Pre-entry is REQUIRED. The proper form must be completed and returned by entry day June 16<sup>th</sup>.
  5. The actual animal being entered in the carcass program must be designated at the fair weigh-in.
  6. Required weights for carcass entry. All market lambs except Southdowns 100lbs. Southdowns and white face 80 lbs.
  7. Carcass contest lambs will be shown in a separate class or classes to be determined by weights.
  8. Animals entered in the contest will be delivered to the designated processor on Tuesday, July 25<sup>th</sup>.
  9. Carcass may be observed at 2:00 p.m., July 27<sup>th</sup>.
  10. AWARDS:  
Carcass 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place - cash awards
  11. Fees - \$10/Lamb
  12. Exhibitors must secure their own buyers.
- Class #1. Lamb Carcass Contest (*no ear tag is required on entry form*)