

DIVISION 2: SHEEP

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- RULE 1:** Market and Breeding sheep shall have NO EVIDENCE OF SURGICAL DOCKING, PROLAPES, PURSE STRINGS, SUTRES, ETC. If any of these are evidence in any sheep it will be disqualified for the show and will be removed from the grounds.
- RULE 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 for market animals and with pre-entry for breeding.
- RULE 3:** Breeding sheep ownership is 60 day prior to the fair and must have a scrapies tag.
- RULE 4:** *****ALL BREEDING SHEEP WILL BE SHOWN SLICK SHORN (WOOL LENGTH NO LONGER THEN ¼ 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.
- RULE 5:** *****ALL SHEEP ARE TO BE SHEARED PRIOR TO ARRIVAL ON FAIRGROUNDS.** Touch-up and fittings allowed on the grounds.
- RULE 6:** ******* Speckled face sheep and whiteface sheep may show as a wool breed upon Superintendents' approval.
- RULE 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.
- RULE 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.
- RULE 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: **100-170lbs** exceptions are white face and Southdowns **80-170lbs.**)
- RULE 10:** Homegrown class comprised of market lambs born and raised by the exhibitor.
- RULE 11:** CLEAN-UP All pens and alleys must be cleaned daily before 9:00am with refuse disposed of as posted.
- RULE 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.
- RULE 13:** SIGNAGE- All members must have a sign on their pen/s with their name and club on it.
- RULE 14:** Wet towels only will be acceptable. Towels immerse in ice water will not be allowed.
- RULE 15:** RATE OF GAIN- Award the top 10 places.
- RULE 16:** Market lambs must gain a minimum of 20lbs between first weigh-in and fair weigh-in to be eligible to show and sale.
- RULE 17:** CHECK OUT AND RELEASE- All Market and breeding sheep members check out with the superintendent before removing their sheep from the fairgrounds.
- RULE 18:** There will be **NO** wood shavings allowed in the pens.
- RULE 19:** Muzzles may be used in an appropriate manner.

Section #1: Sheep Showmanship

- CLASS #1:** Novice Showmanship
- CLASS #2:** Junior Showmanship (ages: 8,9, and 10)
- CLASS #3:** Intermediate Showmanship (ages: 11,12, and 13)
- CLASS #4:** Senior Showmanship (ages: 14 and up)
- CLASS #5:** Adult Showmanship
- CLASS #6:** Sheep Lead

Sheep Lead Contest

The contest will be held on Tuesday, July 16th, 2019 in the main show ring.

- RULE 1:** Contestant must be a Mesa County Resident.
- RULE 2:** Entries open to any qualified person (girls and boys).
- RULE 3:** Enter with Sherissa Katzenberger (sherissa.arpke@gmail.com or 970-424-2422) or Tammy Hill (46sheplady12@gmail.com or 970-712-848) by July 1st.

RULE 4: Sheep to be led must be a ewe, or weather that is conditioned, fitted to under ¼” of wool, and trained to show at halter. It may be a borrowed sheep. All rules for exhibiting sheep at the Mesa County Fair are applicable, regardless of breed.

RULE 5: The contestant will be judged on the suitability garment selected. The outfit must be at least 50% wool and be appropriate to the contestant’s age and size. The aim is to present a stylish and attractive picture and to lend elegance to the class. Contestants must provide their own outfit, but it need not to be homemade. Contestants should be prepared to show verification of fabric content. Sheep must also be wearing a garment made of wool.

RULE 6: The age divisions shall be : Wee Peep Division-5 and under
Bo Peep Division – 6-8 years
Junior Division – 9-13 years
Senior Division – 14-21 years

(Age determined as of December 31st, 2018)

RULE 7: Entry shall include a description of the garment to be worn, background of contestant, including name, age, school, and short resume of the contestant’s sheep background/interest. The information will be read during contestant’s promenade of the ring. The write up should not exceed one-half sheet of paper, typed, and double space.

RULE 8: A \$10 entry fee, and the description must be received by the Mesa County Extension Office by July 1st.

RULE 9: If an animal used is not entered at the fair, please notify the Extension Office by July 1st so stall space will be available.

RULE 10: All animals must be checked by the vet before unloading from the trailer when arriving at the fairgrounds.

Section #2: Market Sheep

CLASS #1: Feeders (not necessary to pre-enter)

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. (not necessary to pre-enter)

CLASS #5: 4-H/FFA Club Groups of Three Lambs. Three entries required for a class, if a club pre-enters, they must show. (not necessary to pre-enter)

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

Ewe Start

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants must be in 4-H or FFA and remain in good standing throughout the program.
2. Applicants must be between 9 and 16 as of January 1st.

3. The contest is limited to 4-H and FFA members who have exhibited livestock (horse, beef, sheep, swine, or goats) for at least one year.
4. Applicants must complete an application and interview process in order to be considered for the program.
5. The member and/or parent or guardian must have the facilities necessary to properly house, feed, and maintain breeding ewes and their offspring. Failure to provide may result in elimination from the contest.

RULES

RULE 1: Up to 5 new members will be brought into the program each year. Members and parents or guardians will be required to sign a contract at the beginning of the program.

RULE 2: In the case of unusual circumstances, members may buy out of the program prior to the two year requirement with approval of Fairboard.

RULE 3: Ewe and sponsor will be selected by drawing.

RULE 4: The bill of sale for the ewe will be filed with Mesa County Fairboard until the member has satisfactorily completed the requirements.

RULE 5: Basic requirements for completion of the program include, but are not limited to

- A. Ewe and lamb(s) must be exhibited and shown in breeding sheep for 2 consecutive years.
- B. Records must be kept in the 2 years of participation
- C. Bi-monthly letters must be written to the producers and sponsors, which will be collected by the mentors to be mailed.
- D. Lambs from the member's ewe may be purchased from the program for market price at fair after completion.
- E. Participants must show in the ewe start lamb class the first year and in the ewe start dam and produce class the second year.

RULE 6: The ewe and lamb(s) must be on exhibit during the same time as all other breeding sheep. They will be brought in Monday for vet check and may leave the fairgrounds on Tuesday after the show.

Section #4: Lamb Carcass Contest

RULE 1: Wether and ewe lambs are eligible for competition.

RULE 2: All animals must be weighed and tagged at the first weigh-in May.

RULE 3: Each junior exhibitor is limited to **ONE(1)** lamb in the program

RULE 4: Pre-entry is **REQUIRED**. The proper form must be completed and returned by entry day June 14th.

RULE 5: The actual animal being entered in the carcass program must be of one designated at the May weigh-in.

RULE 6: Required weights for carcass entry. All market lambs except Southdowns 100lbs. Southdowns and white face 80 lbs.

RULE 7: Animals entered in the contest will be delivered to the designated processor on Tuesday, July 8th.

RULE 8: Carcass may be observed at D&M Meats at 4:00 PM on July 10th.

RULE 9: AWARDS- Carcass 1st and 2nd place- cash awards.

RULE 10: Fee- \$10/Lamb

RULE 11: Exhibitors must secure their own buyers.

CLASS #1: Lamb Carcass Contest (no ear tag is required on entry form)