



2025  
DEPARTMENT 4  
JUNIOR CLASS SHEEP  
PREMIUM LIST



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- A. Livestock exhibitors are required to comply with all of the statutory and regulatory provisions of the State of Wisconsin relating to animal health. Please see the current animal health regulations as posted on our website: [www.racinecountyfair.com](http://www.racinecountyfair.com)
- B. For base dates and class definitions please see Section ATCP 160.08 of the State of Wisconsin Regulations posted on the website: [www.racinecountyfair.com](http://www.racinecountyfair.com).
- C. All exhibitors, please see the Livestock Show and Sale Regulations located on the Fair website at [www.racinecountyfair.com](http://www.racinecountyfair.com).
- D. Animals that are shown in the Junior Division CANNOT be shown in the Open Division.
- E. Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) certification is required for all Youth Sheep Exhibitors at the Racine County Fair. Contact the Racine County UW-Extension office or <https://yqcaprogram.org/> for more information.
- F. Lambs must be in the pens by 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday of the Fair. The final weigh-in will be held on Wednesday of the Fair in the morning (8:00 a.m.). Only two (2) lambs may be weighed-in for the Market Division. Animals may not leave the Fair until the approved release time. Decorations may NOT be taken down until 6:00 p.m. on Sunday.
- G. All sheep entries must be checked in by a member of the Sheep Committee.
- H. All scratches should be communicated to the Superintendent or Fair Clerk via Phone or e-mail by Saturday before the Fair.
- I. Farm visits may occur at any time between DNA submission and the Fair to confirm housing / managerial requirements.
- J. All Animals must have a Scrapie ID tag to be able to show.
- K. Animals in breeding classes must be able to show registration papers before show except for Division 15 – Commercial / Wether.
- L. The Show will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Friday of the Fair. The order of the show will be Open Show, Breeding Stock, followed by Market Classes.
- M. No muzzling, drenching, or icing of sheep or lambs will be allowed. Violators will be dismissed, and premiums will be withheld.
- N. Proper show ring attire will be worn. Example: collared shirts, long pants, close toed shoes or boots. No caps. No farm or company insignias will be allowed.
- O. If showing assistance is needed in the Junior Sheep classes, that assistance must be provided by a current Racine County Fair Youth exhibitor.
- P. The Sheep Committee reserves the right to interpret rules and regulations.
- Q. Danish Judging System will be used for all classes.

**Division 1 - Market Lambs**

- A. Market lambs may be either ewes or wethers. Market class lambs must be slick shorn. An ewe lamb may be shown either in breeding or market classes, but the same lamb may not be shown in both classes.
- B. Lambs must weigh a minimum of 95 lbs. at the Final weigh-in on Wednesday of Fair to be eligible for sale in the Livestock Auction.
- C. Two (2) market lambs may be shown, and exhibitors may sell up to two (2) lambs if no other species are being sold by that exhibitor.
- D. Two (2) lambs may be shown as two singles and one pen, regardless of breed. Pen classes will be divided by weight, not breed.
- E. All Market Lambs must self-identify, be RFID ear tagged, and submit a DNA sample. Animals not having a Racine County Fair DNA tag may be subject to disqualification. See Livestock DNA rules for additional information.
- F. All necessary papers must be submitted at the specified DNA submission date.

- G. Lambs will be sold on Saturday of Fair at the Livestock Auction.
- H. By weigh-in on Wednesday Morning of Fair, the exhibitor must declare the desire to exhibit at the State Fair and complete a file a Purchase Agreement Form with the Sheep Superintendent. Those lambs will then be able to be sold at the Livestock Auction.
- I. Lambs will be shown according to breed, that will be determined by a third party on Wednesday of the fair, registration papers will not be considered.
- J. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be chosen from each of the breed classes. A Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be chosen from the group of Champions. The Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion singles and pen **must** be sold at the Livestock Auction on Saturday.
- K. A market class shall contain no less than 3 head of one breed. If there are not 3 animals in a breed class, they will be shown in the Any Other Breed class. Breed classes will be split if there are more than 8 in a class. Any Other breed market lamb classes will be split by meat breed and wool breed.
- L. The use of halters for showing animals in the Market Class is discouraged.
- M. Market Lambs will be penned for destinations starting at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday of the Fair.

Blue - \$5.00      Red - \$4.00      White - \$3.00      Pink - \$2.00

**Division 1A**

<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Entry</b>
<b>1</b>	Market Lamb Entry 1
<b>2</b>	Market Lamb Entry 2
<b>3</b>	Pen of Market Lambs

**Division 1B**

<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Entry</b>
<b>4</b>	Home Raised Market Lamb

**GRAND CHAMPION PEN OF MARKET LAMBS**  
**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION PEN OF MARKET LAMBS**  
**CHAMPION SINGLE LAMB – EACH BREED**  
**RESERVE CHAMPION LAMB – EACH BREED**  
**GRAND CHAMPION MARKET LAMB**  
**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MARKET LAMB**

**RIBBON & TROPHY**  
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Grand Champion Single Market Lamb and Grand Champion Pen trophies are donated by Blain's Farm & Fleet of Sturtevant, Wisconsin

**Division 2 – 2025 Performance and Carcass Evaluation**

Live Carcass Judging – Date and Time will be announced when determined.  
 Weigh-In will be held upon arrival to live carcass judging.

Carcass Evaluation Judging – Date and Time will be announced when determined.

Danish Judging System will be used in this Division.

**RULES:**

- A. This division is open to any Junior Exhibitor currently enrolled in the 4-H, FFA Sheep Project, or a member of a recognized breed association approved by the Fair.

- B. All exhibitors are required to pre-register. Pre-registration will be open from February 15 through March 1. Pre-registration will be on a first come, first served basis until all slaughter appointment slots are filled. Registration will be limited to one (1) sheep carcass animal per immediate family. If any additional slots remain available, the committee will determine how they are filled. Exhibitors must also submit proper DNA and online entry through the Fair at the time of entry deadline.
- C. An **individual may only exhibit one (1) species in the carcass contest** (beef, sheep, or swine). If an individual has already signed up for the beef or swine carcass contest, they will be ineligible to submit a sheep carcass pre-registration.
- D. If the Racine County Fair DNA tag falls out, a Livestock DNA committee member **must** be notified within seven (7) days to obtain a replacement tag for the animal.
- E. All animals must come to the live show with the proper RFID tag. Untagged animals may be subject to disqualification. All carcass animals will follow the Racine County Fair DNA rules and regulations.
- F. Lambs will be weighed and judged as a pre-fair event.
- G. Lambs must have a minimum live weight of 95 lbs.
- H. Lambs must be slick shorn.
- I. Animals must be shown by the Junior Exhibitor, owning the animal, unless otherwise allowed by the Committee in charge of this division.
- J. Animals must be owned and under the daily care of the Junior Exhibitor, at the Exhibitor's residence, or residence listed on the care and housing statement.
- K. Following the live judging day, transportation will be provided for the animal to be trucked to a local predetermined locker plant.
- L. The exhibitor and / or their parent / legal guardian must attend the discussion of the grading process at a date and time to be announced, unless otherwise allowed by the Committee in charge of this division.
- M. Special recognition will be given to the Champion and Reserve Champion.
- N. Carcass animals will be evaluated and ranked by carcass merit by a carcass judge using current industry standards.
- O. The Champion and Reserve Champion will be sold as a Bonus Animal on a "live weight" per pound basis at the Livestock Auction.
- P. All animals will be shown live at one time (together). Classes will not be divided by breed or weight.
- Q. Each entry will be assessed a \$5.00 entry fee which must be paid at the time of DNA submission. No late entries will be accepted. The entry fee will be used as monetary awards paid back to the exhibitors.
- R. The entry fees will be distributed as follows:
  - a. The top ¼ of the division **except Champion and Reserve Champion** will divide equally 40% of the prize money.
  - b. The 2<sup>nd</sup> ¼ of the division will divide equally 30% of the prize money.
  - c. The 3<sup>rd</sup> ¼ of the division will divide equally 20% of the prize money.
  - d. The 4<sup>th</sup> ¼ of the division will divide equally 10% of the prize money.
- S. Exhibitors are responsible for slaughter cost or finding a buyer for their carcass animal if their animal is not chosen as the Champion or Reserve Champion. All exhibitors should have the name and phone number of the buyer at the live judging.
- T. Any disputes will be settled by the judge and/or the carcass committee.

Blue - \$6.00      Red - \$5.00      White - \$4.00      Pink - \$3.00

Class No.	Entry
1	Carcass Lamb

**CHAMPION**  
**RESERVE CHAMPION**

**RIBBON & PLAQUE**  
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### Breeding Divisions

Blue - \$5.00    Red - \$4.00    White - \$3.00    Pink - \$2.00

Division	Breed	Division	Breed
3	Cheviots	11	Oxford Downs
4	Columbias	12	Horned Dorsets
5	Corriedales	13	Shropshire
6	Dorset	14	Southdowns
7	Hampshire Downs	15	Suffolks
8	Katahdins	16	Any Other Breed
9	Montadales	17	Commercial / Wether Type
10	Natural Colored Wool		

Class No.	Entry
1	Spring Ram Lamb
2	Winter Ram Lamb
3	Fall Ram Lamb
4	Yearling Ram
5	Spring Ewe Lamb
6	Winter Ewe Lamb
7	Fall Ewe Lamb
8	Yearling Ewe
9	Mature Ewe
10	Pair of Lambs (1 Ewe & 1 Ram)
11	Junior Flock (Yearling or Lamb Ram, Ewe Lamb & Yearling Ewe)

<b>CHAMPION RAM</b>	<b>RIBBON</b>
<b>RESERVE CHAMPION RAM</b>	<b>RIBBON</b>
<b>CHAMPION EWE</b>	<b>RIBBON</b>
<b>RESERVE CHAMPION EWE</b>	<b>RIBBON</b>
<b>GRAND CHAMPION RAM – OVERALL</b>	<b>RIBBON</b>
<b>RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION RAM – OVERALL</b>	<b>RIBBON</b>
<b>GRAND CHAMPION EWE – OVERALL</b>	<b>RIBBON</b>
<b>RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION EWE – OVER ALL</b>	<b>RIBBON</b>

### Division 18 – Showmanship

Danish Judging System

Any classes with more than ten (10) entries will be split.

**Use of halters in Showmanship classes are prohibited.**

All exhibitors are encouraged to enter the Showmanship contest.

Blue - \$3.00    Red - \$2.50    White - \$2.00    Pink - \$1.50

Class	Entry
1	Sheep Exhibitor, 17 Years & Older
2	Sheep Exhibitor, 15 – 16 Years Old

<b>3</b>	Sheep Exhibitor, 13 – 14 Years Old
<b>4</b>	Sheep Exhibitor, 11 – 12 Years Old
<b>5</b>	Sheep Exhibitor, 10 Years Old

Trophies will be awarded in each of the Showmanship classes.

There will be an Overall Showmanship class of the winners of each class. The winner of the Senior Showmanship class will continue to compete in the Sue Isaacson Memorial Supreme Showmanship Competition.

**EDUCATIONAL SHEEP POSTER CONTEST**  
**MUST be in place on Wednesday of the Fair**

Size: Standard Tag (Poster) Board  
Subject: Any educational topic related to sheep  
Prizes: Awarded to all exhibitors

**PHOTO CONTEST**  
**MUST be in place on Wednesday of the Fair**

Size: 5" x 7" OR 8" x 10"  
Subject: Anything Sheep related  
Prizes: Awarded to all Exhibitors