

Department 10 - SHEEP

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ENTRY DEADLINE: 4:30 p.m. on July 18, 2016

FEATURED BREED: Tunis

Exhibitor Fee: \$10.00
Entry Fee: \$3.00/head (\$9.00 minimum). No fee for group classes
Entry Arrival: After 12:00 midnight on Wednesday, August 31
Judging: See below
Judge: Tim Fleener, Robinsonna, PA
Entry Removal: 8:00 p.m. on Monday, September 5
Premium Awards: Will be mailed between 10/15 – 11/15/16

JUDGING SCHEDULE

Thursday, September 2 - 7:00 p.m.	Ladies' & Gentlemen's Lead Class
Friday, September 3 – 5:30 p.m.	Featured Breed – Tunis
Saturday, September 4 - 9:00 a.m. till finished	Natural Colored/Montadale/Columbia/ Hampshire/Corriedale/Shropshire/Cheviot/ Southdown/Dorset/Lincoln/Any Other Breed
Sunday, September 5 - 9:00 a.m. till finished	Market Lambs/Suffolk/ Romney/ Wether Sires and Dams/Leicester/Oxford/ Merino/Rambouillet Best of Show: Fleece – Ewe – Ram - Flock

IMPORTANT ARRIVAL INFORMATION

These rules affect all livestock and horses

- A. All **OPEN HORSES** must enter gate #5. Once unloaded, exit gate #5 then reenter at gate #7 and proceed to gate #11. Continue straight on perimeter road, turn left at State Police Barracks follow signage to the Livestock parking area. To reload at end of show exit at gate #10, proceed to gate #6 and re-enter at gate #5. Take a left to barns, load horses then exit gate #5 to leave Fair.
- B. All **SHEEP, GOATS, LLAMAS** have a new inspection station. It is now located just inside gate #7 past the state troopers check point. Once inspected proceed to gate #11, turn left on Belle Isle and go to barns.
- C. **BEEF, SWINE AND 4-H HORSES** enter gate #7, proceed to gate #11 NOT gate #10 (gate #10 is becoming an exit only gate), turn left on Belle Isle and go to barns.
- D. All **LIVESTOCK EXCEPT OPEN HORSES** once unloaded are to proceed back down Belle Isle, and follow signage to the Livestock parking area.

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The rules printed herein and the livestock general rules are made a part of the conditions under which all entries of exhibitors are made, and exhibitors are respectfully requested to read them carefully, thereby avoiding confusion at the time of the Fair.
2. Competition is not limited to New York State. Entry applications are available from the New York State Fair Entry Department, 581 State Fair Blvd., Syracuse, NY 13209 or you may enter on-line at www.nysfair.org/competitions.
3. Deadlines & fees – see page 1
4. Do not send a photocopy of each animal's health papers with the entry form. It is **IMPERATIVE** that you bring the original health papers with you for inspection upon arrival on the Fairgrounds. Please study health regulations carefully.
5. Premium money will be redistributed from breed to breed or within a breed, according to the number of entries. (For example, two premiums listed – four entries – four premiums will be paid.)
6. There will be **NO PARKING** behind the Sheep Barn. Pick-up and Drop-off only. Violators will be towed!
7. **All sheep must be inspected at the vet check station located just inside Gate #7 before going to the barn to be unloaded.**
8. 4-H Sheep will be in the pens till Tuesday, August 30 at 6:00 p.m.
9. The Sheep Barn will close at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 30 for barn and pen cleaning, manure removal and straw delivery and will not reopen until 12:01 a.m. on Wednesday, August 31. Open class sheep will be accepted **after 12:00 midnight**.
10. All open sheep exhibited will be required to be in place by Wednesday, August, 31 at 10:00 a.m. and stay till Monday, September 5 at 8:00 p.m.

No sheep can be loaded or unloaded between 9:30 a.m. and 12:00 midnight during the Fair except as indicated above.

11. **DATE AND EXPECTED TIME OF ARRIVAL IS REQUIRED ON THE ENTRY FORM.**
12. **ALL SHEEP MUST HAVE USDA APPROVED ID TAGS, TATTOOS OR CHIP. ANY QUESTIONS – CONTACT USDA VET SERVICES AT (518) 453-0187.**
13. 4-H exhibitors who wish to enter Open Class must enter by the Open Class entry due date – July 18, 2016.
14. Substitutions will be accepted.
15. All exhibitors must pay an entry fee of **\$3.00 per sheep (\$9.00 minimum)**. These fees must be paid at time of making entry. There is no fee for Group classes. Pens will be allocated by Superintendent according to number of entries. Two, three or four sheep per pen based on size and sex.
16. **ANY ANIMAL IN ANY CLASS MUST BE WORTHY OF RECOGNITION OR IT WILL BE ELIMINATED FROM COMPETITION AT THE DISCRETION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OR JUDGE.**
17. A family exhibitor can show only four (4) breeds. Sons, daughters and relatives or non-relatives of the family exhibitor residing with or showing sheep kept on this farm will be considered as exhibitors all from the same farm and under the same name. To pay one exhibitor's fee enter all under one farm name.
18. Breeds are now listed according to entries the **previous year**. If one or more exhibitor(s) showed at least 4 animals, the breed is listed. Breeds with less than 4 animals entered will be in Any Other Breed. Any breed entering for the first time this year will be in Any Other Breed.
19. An exhibitor's entries will be limited to 5 rams and 8 ewes per breed. Exhibitor may enter more than 2 sheep in a class, but can only receive two premiums. An exhibitor may not show more than one entry in any group class. All sheep in group classes must be entered in their individual class. Each exhibitor in wool breeds may enter **only** one sheep in the Best Fleece Class. No entry fee is required for best fleece class or group classes. Best Fleece Sheep must have a minimum of one inch of wool on all parts of the body.

20. Substitutions must be given to the Superintendent by 12 noon Wednesday, August 31.
21. All sheep must be owned by individuals or firms exhibiting same. An exhibitor detected in changing ear labels falsely, or misrepresenting ownership, or guilty of other infractions of the rules, will be excluded from competition and awards.
22. Exhibitor with Entry Fee (\$24.00) is entitled to one (1) helper's pass. For every Entry Fee (\$24.00) thereafter an additional helper's pass will be provided.
23. The name, registry numbers and age of each animal should be given at time of entry. Do not list registration numbers, ages and names for group classes – just list the class number. Only one group entry per class.
24. The registration numbers will be required on all entries by 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 31. Exhibitors **must produce certificate of registry** for all entries, and if transferred, have them officially recorded in the breed association records. Colored sheep must be registered.
25. Artificial coloring of sheep fleeces will be allowed, providing they are dry by time of show. Wet fleeced sheep will be disqualified.
26. Market lambs must be penned and shown under proper show rules. No artificial stimulants, stretching, etc. will be allowed. Write or call Superintendent for more details.
27. The decision of the judges shall be final in all cases except where error, fraud, misrepresentation, or collusion, not discovered at time of award, is proven. In such cases the Superintendent or such referees as he may appoint may make a decision, which decision shall be final.
28. The Management assumes no responsibility in case of loss or damage to livestock or other exhibits from any cause, and reserves the right to cause any examination or test deemed necessary to determine the existence of any suspected disease or condition in any animal exhibited. Exhibitor assumes risk associated with, resulting from or arising in connection with exhibitor's participation or presence at the New York State Fair, including, risks of theft, loss, harm or injury to the person, property, whether caused by negligence, intentional act, accident, Act of God or otherwise. Exhibitor has sole responsibility for its property or any theft, damage or other loss to such property, whether or not stored in any courtesy storage areas. The New York State Fair, nor any of their respective officers, directors, employees, representatives or assigns, shall be liable for, and exhibitor hereby releases all of them from, and covenants not to sue any of them with respect to, risks, damages and liability described in this paragraph.
29. No tents, tarps or canopies will be allowed to be installed in the Sheep Barn.
30. **HEALTH REGULATIONS** – See Animal Health Regulations in separate file.
 - a. Classes for Scrapie Free Certification Flocks have been dropped. Sheep from these flocks may be shown in regular breed classes. They must be transported and penned separately. Questions – contact superintendent.
31. **SHEEP CLASSIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:**
 - a. Senior Lambs shall be born on or after September 1st and Intermediate and Junior Lambs born after January 1st. Senior Lambs may have two big teeth started but not all the way up. Junior Lambs must have lamb's teeth. Yearlings must have no more than two large teeth. Two-year teeth can be started but not all the way up. Three-year baby teeth must be in. Any sheep with a questionable mouth will be disqualified. **Senior Lambs must be registered as Senior Lambs. Intermediate & Junior Lambs will not be allowed in the Senior Lamb Class.**
 - b. Classes are the same for all breeds:
 - Senior Lambs - 9/1/15 - 12/31/15
 - Intermediate Lambs – 1/1/16 – 2/15/16
 - Junior Lambs - 2/16/16 on
 - Senior Yearling Ewes - 9/1/15 to 12/31/15
 - Junior Yearling Ewes – 1/1/15 on
 - c. An exhibitor's flock shall consist of one ram (yearling or lamb), two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs.
 - d. Mixed Pair – a ram lamb and a ewe lamb or a yearling ram and a yearling ewe.
 - e. Pen of 4 lambs – both sexes represented.
32. **Southdowns and Shropshires must be shorn within a week of show. (This applies to 4-H show as well).**

33. Champions
 - a. Champion rams and ewes will be selected from the first prize winners of the individual classes.
 - b. Reserve Champion rams and ewes will be selected from the first prize winners that competed for the championship and the animal standing next to the Champion in his or her individual class.
34. PREMIER EXHIBITOR AWARD:

A suitable award will be awarded to the exhibitor in each breed who wins the most premium money. Should a tie occur, the award shall go to the winner of the exhibitors' flock.
35. SPECIAL AWARD
Supreme Champion Ram, Ewe and Fleece will receive a banner and a director's chair.
36. **WE DO NOT ACCEPT FAXED ENTRIES. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ACCOMPANIED WITH PAYMENT.**
37. Straw and/or shavings can be purchased from Mike Teske at (315) 687-0096 OR Harry Moore at (315) 727-0134.