

YOUTH BREEDING SHEEP SHOW-DEPARTMENT (YBS)

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PURPOSE

The intent and purpose of the Osceola County Show & Fair Youth Breeding Sheep Show is to provide for a means to promote the sheep industry in Central Florida. Central Florida has a unique opportunity for a market that is for out-of-season breeding and for natural colored breeds, known as niche markets.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** Exhibitor must be 8 years old by September 1, 2009. Exhibitor must be a current member of Osceola County 4-H or FFA, and may enter all open class shows.
 2. **HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:** All animals will be required to meet the guidelines set by the State of Florida, Department of Agriculture. Poultry, rabbits and hogs are not required to go to VET DAY. All other animals are required to go to VET DAY. There will be a small charge for each animal at Vet Day.
 3. **JUDGING:** Only 1st Place exhibits will be eligible for Grand Champion and Reserve Champion places. There must be a minimum of three (3) animals per breed for the Grand Champion and Reserve Champion places to pay full premiums. If there are not enough animals in a breed to make a class, it will be up to the show committee to make a class placement decision. Exhibitors must be present during judging or prior arrangements must be made with the committee, otherwise no premiums will be paid. An animal can only be shown in one class.
 4. **DRESS CODE:** Blue or Black jeans, White collared shirt or Club T-shirts tucked in, boots or brogans.
 5. **AC/HEAT:** There is no AC or Heat.
 6. **REGISTRATION:** All animals must be registered on Registration Day.
 7. **ANIMAL CARE:** Exhibitors will be required to feed and water their own animals and bring their own feed. All animals must be cared for by the exhibitor. This includes feeding, watering, and cleaning beds and pens. Exhibitors will need to bring feed each day for their animals. Please clean out and under pens when checking out. Remember these exhibits are for the public to view, let's show them something we're proud of. Clean animals and clean pens.
 8. **HANDLING:** All lambs must be trained for show and to be controlled by the exhibitor. Animals that cannot be handled properly will be asked to be haltered or be disqualified and premiums forfeited.
 9. **SHOW LIMITATION:** There must be a minimum of five animals per species to have a show (unless otherwise stated).
 10. **CHECK OUT:** Animals removed before check-out time and date will result in forfeiture of premium money.
 11. **PREMIUMS:** All premiums will be mailed to the exhibitors after the fair. Please allow up to 6 weeks.
- **Your animal area must be clean (inside/underneath/around) at all times, including checkout time. If not clean, premiums will be forfeited.**

SHEEP RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. **Entries:**
 - a) Any exhibitor entering an animal in any name other than the bona fide owner or owners must present a lease agreement.
 - b) Animals shown in individual classes must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor as of January 1, 2010.
 - c) All animals must be halter broken to lead in order to compete for premiums. Sheep must be in show shape upon arrival at the Fair.
 - d) Entries must be made in the name of the flock owner.
 - e) Use a separate entry form per breed, per flock owner.
 - f) Each animal entered in the Kissimmee Valley Livestock Show & Fair Youth Sheep Breeding Show must have the correct ear tag, birth date, and show division on their entry form. The Show Committee reserves the right to mouth all sheep for age.
 - g) All sheep entered in the Kissimmee Valley Livestock Show & Fair must be tagged with an approved USDA Scrapie Tag.
 - h) Sheep must be shown in their respective age classes. Exhibits that have been erroneously entered may, at the discretion of the Chairman, be transferred to their proper classes prior to judging.
 - i) Substitutions must be made by January 9, 2010. Substitutions must be submitted in writing and postmarked by January 15 of the show year. Ownership deadline of January 1, 2010 will still apply on substituted animals and substitutions can only be made in the same division. **NO SUBSTITUTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED UPON ARRIVAL AT THE FAIR.**
 - j) Youth exhibitors are strongly encouraged to complete a sheep breeding record book as part of their entry to

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exhibit. Record keeping is part of the experiential learning process for 4H & FFA exhibitors. One record book per exhibitor is encouraged. These books can be obtained by contacting your leader or local Osceola County 4-H Extension Office.

- k) No headgear may be worn during the Show or Showmanship.
 - l) Assistants for lambs on side must be an active 4-H or FFA member & registered at the time of check in.
2. **Arrival:** Animals may not be unloaded on the fairgrounds until they have been checked by the Florida State Veterinarians, except in the case of emergency. Any animals arriving late due to emergency must contact the Fair Livestock Office at 321-697-3050.
3. **Animal Care:**
- a) Animals should be shorn and groomed in whatever manner appropriate for the breed and age with a maximum of 2 inches of wool on any part of the body.
 - b) No painting of sheep will be allowed.
 - c) Filling of sheep with any substance is prohibited. All sheep must be shown in their natural conformation and structure without alterations or modification, except for the grooming and treatment of the wool and trimming of the hooves.
 - d) Unworthy Exhibits-It is the intent of the Youth Sheep Committee that no premium of distinction of any kind be given an animal that is not deserving. In cases where only one animal is exhibited in a class, the judge shall make his award in accordance with the merits of the animal being exhibited. The judge must not award a premium to any unworthy animal. Only first place winning animals are eligible to compete for Championship.
4. **Release:** Trailers will not be allowed on the fairgrounds until designated release times.
5. **Premiums:** Placings: 1st - \$8.00 2nd - \$5.00 3rd - \$3.00 4th -10th - \$2
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| Good Neighbor Award | \$25.00 |
| Grand Champion Ewe | \$75.00 |
| Reserve Grand Champion Ewe | \$50.00 |
| Grand Champion Ram | \$75.00 |
| Reserve Grand Champion Ram | \$50.00 |

YOUTH BREEDING SHEEP CLASSES

- Division I-** Large Framed Breeds/Crosses(Early Spring Lambs expected live weight between 120-140 lbs.)
- Division II-** Medium Framed Breeds/Crosses(Early Spring Lambs expected live weight between 100-120 lbs.)
- Division III-** Small Framed Breeds/Crosses (Early Spring Lambs expected live weight under 100 lbs.)
- Division IV-** Hair Breeds/Crosses (Hair or Hair Crosses)

- 1. Aged Ewes (Born before March 1, 2008)
- 2. Ewes (Born March 1, 2008-February 28, 2009)
- 3. Yearling Fall Ewes (Born March 1, 2008-December 31, 2008)
- 4. Early Spring Ewe Lambs (Born January 1, 2009-February 28, 2009)
- 5. Late Spring Ewe Lambs (Born March 1, 2009-November 30, 2009)
- 6. Aged Rams (Born 2008 not over 2 years old)
- 7. Yearling Fall Rams (Born March 1, 2008-December 31, 2008)
- 8. Early Spring Rams (Born January 1, 2009-February 28, 2009)
- 9. Late Spring Rams (Born March 1, 2009-November 30, 2009)
- 10. Commercial Ewe or Wether (KVLS Youth Market Lamb exhibitor that did not qualify for Market Lamb Show and Sale)

ADDITIONAL YOUTH BREEDING SHEEP CONTESTS

SHOWMANSHIP

- 1. All exhibitors will be placed in one of the three divisions as determined by their age as of September 1, 2009.
 - Junior Division (8 years through 10 years of age)
 - Intermediate Division (11 year through 13 years of age)
 - Senior Division (14 years through 18 years of age)
- 2. First place winners in each division will be awarded a Director's Chair.
- 3. All exhibitors must show their own animal.