## **DEPARTMENT - 4-H/FFA SHEEP**

(Must be enrolled in the Sheep Project)

## SPECIAL RULES

- 1. Read General Rules. Violations of any of the following rules may result in disqualification. All decisions will be made by a county agent and their decision is final.
- 2. Market Sheep read rules applying to livestock auction.
- 3. All 4-H exhibitors must complete a "Youth for the Quality Care of Animals" (YQCA) class to show at the LVCO Fair.
- 4. All sheep (market and breeding) must be owned and in the care of the 4-H/FFA member by May 1. All market lambs must be tagged with official EID tags and registered on the Sheep Identification worksheet by May 1. **Identification worksheets ARE NOT a LVCO Fair entry** Ewes tagged with an Official KS 4-H tag (EID) are allowed to be shown in the breeding classes, however, cannot be shown in both the market and breeding shows during the LVCO Fair. The 4-Her will have to designate which show the ewe will be shown in on the Identification Worksheet due May 1.
- 5. Entries for Sheep will be completed in the Fair on-line system by June 30.
- 6. NO SUBSTITUTION OF ANIMALS WILL BE ALLOWED
- 7. Exhibits may arrive at fairgrounds on Monday of fair week. Sheep will be weighed-in Tuesday at 8 a.m. and must be on the grounds at that time.
- 8. Each exhibitor (4-H /FFA/Open combination) is limited to a total of 4 animals with no more than 2 market animals at county fair.
- 9. Ram Lambs may be displayed Day of Show only and not housed overnight in the barn.
- 10. Each exhibitor may show no more than two animals per class or division. Market lambs will be shown by division (Black Face, White Face, Speckles, Hair) then by weight. Lambs must exhibit definite characteristics of the division or class for which it is entered. The Superintendent and an Extension Agent has the right to move an animal to the appropriate class or division.
- 11. One animal warrants a class in breeding ewes.
- 12. ALL sheep must be identified with an official USDA premise ID tag (Scrapie tag).
- 13. Animals used for showmanship must be owned by the exhibitor and entered in a market or breeding class. In the final showmanship drive, all showmanship finalists must show the animal they were showing when selected. Showmanship classes will be limited to a maximum of 15 animals.
- 14. Exhibitors ages 7-10 have the option to use a halter on lamb while showing.
- 15. Market Sheep weighing less than 100 lbs will moved to a Prospect class and shown in that class by weight. This class is not eligible for Championship or Livestock Auction.
- 16. A Destination Sheet (½ page colored sheet) for each market entry will be provided to the exhibitor during the fair. Every Destination Sheet must be completed (i.e. marked no show, 4-H auction, going home, extra, etc.) and returned to the sheep superintendent, who then is responsible for turning the destinations sheets in to the auction committee no later than 1:00 pm on Thursday of fair week. If a non-auction animal's destination changes after this time, it is the responsibility of the member to notify auction committee of any change during the fair. NO changes will be allowed for 4-H auction animals following the Thursday of fair week 1:00 pm deadline.
- 17. All market lambs must be slick shorn with an even length of wool covering above the knee area. Wool length cannot exceed .2 inch. Use of artificial coloring (including, not limited, to paint or dyes) is prohibited. Lambs are to be shorn before weighing in at the fair. Lambs arriving at weigh-in unshorn will have the weight of the animal discounted 5%.
- 18. Sheep must be sheared or fitted by the 4-H/FFA member, another Leavenworth County 4-H/ FFA member, immediate family, legal guardian or local project leaders. Project leaders must be approved through the 4-H VIP process
- 19. All sheep must have access to an adequate water supply at all times during the fair
- 20. Health and wellbeing of all animals brought to the fairgrounds is at the exhibitor's risk.
- 21. If an animal becomes ill and requires special attention the superintendent and Extension

- Agent must be contacted prior to giving oral or injected treatment. Any treatment given to a sick animal must be approved by the fair Veterinarian.
- 22. Exhibitors are responsible for keeping the area in front of and around their pens clean. All wool that has been sheared off the lambs or breeding sheep must be removed and not left on the ground (regardless of around your pen area or in the designated grooming area). Each exhibitor is responsible for removal of their sheep's wool.
- 23. Registration or transfer papers for animals in the breeding classes must be in the sole name of the youth exhibitor by May 1. Breeding animals cannot be registered in the name of the parent and 4-Her together or under any farm name to be eligible to show at the Kansas State Fair.

## **SECTION - BREEDING SHEEP**

CLASSES - Aged Ewe born August 31, 2 years prior or earlier
Fall Ewe Lamb born September 1 - December 31 of the previous year
Ram Lamb born after January 1 of the current year
Spring Ewe Lamb born January 1 of the current year
Yearling Ewe born September 1, 2 years prior to August 31 of previous year

SECTION – MARKET SHEEP – Born after January 1 of the current year (100lbs or more)

DIVISIONS – Black Face White Face Speckles Hair