

Due to Covid-19, check in, weigh in and other rules listed below are subject to change. Up to date changes will be posted in the NC State Fair Livestock newsletter and the NC State Fair livestock Facebook page. Any such updates take precedence over statements in premium book.

JUNIOR EWE WOOL BREEDS

Dept 022

SUPERINTENDENT: Lauren Bell – Albemarle, NC

JUDGE: Ricky Skillington - Lawrenceburg, TN

CHECK IN: Junior ewes must arrive and be checked in at the sheep barn between 12:00 pm and 4:00 pm on Friday, October 22, 2021. Animals will not be allowed to enter the barns until inspected and passed by health officials at the vet tent. An approval card will be issued after inspection, prior to entering the barn. Expect a call from Superintendent prior to show concerning pen assignment and other pertinent information.

SHOW DATE: Saturday, October 23, 2021 at 8:00 am. The show will begin with showmanship and end with costume class.

RELEASE TIME: Animals will be released at the conclusion of the show. Exhibitors will feed and care for their ewes during the fair.

COMPETITION:
Open to NC residents
21 years of age or younger as
of January 1, 2021.

ENTRY DEADLINE:
September 15, 2021
Online entries begin August 1
at www.ncstatefair.org
ENTRIES ONLINE ONLY

ENTRY FEE: \$10/HEAD

HEALTH REGULATIONS:
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RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Exhibitors must be residents of North Carolina and 21 years of age or younger as of January 1, 2021. Exhibitors must be able to show the animal on their own.
 2. Enter online at www.ncstatefair.org or by paper entry. If using paper entry form please fill out a separate entry form for each exhibitor and each department. Completed entry forms will include the name, social security number and telephone number of the exhibitor of each animal. Check your entries carefully before mailing.
 3. Ewes must be owned by the exhibitor at least 60 days before the show date. Ownership of purebred ewes will be verified by registration certificates, a copy of which will be sent with the entry form. Ownership of commercial ewes must be verified by a signed statement from the parent or guardian. Declaration of Ownership/Possession form can be found at www.ncstatefair.org. Purebred ewes with no registration papers will be shown as commercial ewes. Substitutions will be allowed within class at the discretion of the superintendent.
 4. Exhibitors must have trained and fitted their own entries.
 5. The health regulations of the Veterinary Division of the NCDA will be strictly enforced. Be sure to read these under "Rules and Regulations of the Livestock Division" before entering. Any questionable health problems will be referred to the livestock director and/or the State Veterinarian. Animals with obvious abscesses (opened or unopened), ringworm, soremouth or any other contagious disease will not be allowed in the barn. All sheep must be appropriately identified and comply with USDA and NCDA&CS Scrapie Eradication Program guidelines. Call 1-866-USDA TAG (873-2824) or 919 855-7707 for more information.
 6. Animals to be judged 60% on wool and 40% on conformation.
 7. All animals must have a minimum of 2 inches of fleece (except necks, legs & bellies).
 8. Exhibitor is responsible for informing the judge of the breed or breed cross of animal. Crossbred animals must have a farm tag.
 9. Exhibitor is responsible for entering crossbred animals in appropriate wool grade division.
 10. Exhibitors may enter no more than two ewes per class. If a junior has more than one ewe in a class, the second ewe must be shown by a junior exhibitor approved by the superintendent. If another exhibitor is showing for you, please make sure they know who they are showing for and which animal they have.
 11. Ewes must be shown as individuals.
 12. Class size will be limited to 20 head. If the number of entries exceeds 20 head, additional classes will be formed at the discretion of the superintendent.
 13. All ewes will be mouthed at check in. Age of purebred ewes will be obtained from registration certificates. All junior lambs must have all temporary teeth in place at the time of the show. Commercial yearling ewes which have shed their second pair of temporary teeth will be shown subject to approval of the superintendent. Superintendent will rule on all other questions regarding age.
 14. Ewes are eligible to show in appropriate classes in the open sheep show provided they:
 - a. Are entered in the open show by the deadline for entries. Use a separate entry form for the open show.
 - b. Are accompanied by an official health certificate as required in the open show.
 15. Ewes may be shown either with or without a halter. Major fitting should be done prior to arrival at the fair.
- Any questions not covered by these rules will be ruled on by the wool breed sheep superintendent.
- Except as noted, all general rules of the fair and the livestock division will apply and govern this department.

GOT TO BE NC AWARD

In 2016, the NC Born and Bred program began using the “Got to Be NC” slogan to recognize the award winning livestock originating in NC. In order for livestock to be eligible for the program, the animal exhibited must be conceived and born in NC. The producer of the animal must be a NC resident and a member of the “Got to Be NC” program. Livestock must be identified with an official “Got to Be NC” tag purchased by the producer before they are sold. All producers will be required to maintain records matching their individual USDA scrapie tags with the “Got to Be NC” tag placed in each animal. A copy of this record should be submitted to NCDA Livestock Marketing division by August 1st. For more information, membership application, and tag record form please visit <http://www.ncagr.gov/markets/livestock/nctags.htm>

Section 101 – JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP

The objective of the showmanship class is to evaluate the skills of the showman and recognize those that have developed proper showmanship skills through work with their livestock projects. These skills will be evaluated separately from the quality of the animal shown. All youth entered in showmanship must be entered in breed class in order to compete. Animals taken into the ring MUST be entered in the showmanship exhibitor’s name.

Grand Champion in each age division

Reserve Champion in each age division

Class: Age Divisions: Ages are calculated as of January 1, 2021

101 Novice – 8 years old and under

102 Junior – 9-13 years old

103 Senior – 14-18 years old

104 Senior Plus – 19-21 years old

WOOL GRADE DIVISIONS

PREMIUMS TO BE DETERMINED

Supreme Grand Champion

Supreme Reserve Grand Champion

Grand Champion Got to Be NC Ewe

Fine/Medium – (50’s and finer).

Long/Coarse – (48’s and coarser).

Section 102 – WHITE / FINE/MEDIUM – Junior Ewe Wool Breeds

Class:

00101 – Aged Ewe, Born before August 31, 2019

00102 – Yearling Ewe, born September 1, 2019 - August 31, 2020

00103 – Ewe Lamb class, born September 1, 2020 - August 31, 2021 (combined from 2020 Fair)

Section 103 – WHITE / LONG/COARSE – Junior Ewe Wool Breeds

00105 – Aged Ewe, Born before August 31, 2019

00106 – Yearling Ewe, born September 1, 2019 - August 31, 2020

00107 – Ewe Lamb class, born September 1, 2020 - August 31, 2021 (combined from 2020 Fair.)

Section 104 – NATURAL COLORED / FINE/MEDIUM – Junior Ewe Wool Breeds

00109 – Aged Ewe, Born before August 31, 2019

00110 – Yearling Ewe, born September 1, 2019 - August 31, 2020

00111 – Ewe Lamb class, born September 1, 2020 - August 31, 2021 (combined from 2020 Fair)

Section 105 – NATURAL COLORED / LONG/COARSE – Junior Ewe Wool Breeds

00113 – Aged Ewe, Born before August 31, 2019

00114 – Yearling Ewe, born September 1, 2019 - August 31, 2020

00115 – Ewe Lamb class, born September 1, 2020 - August 31, 2021 (combined from 2020 Fair)

Section 106 – COSTUME CLASS – Junior Ewe Wool Breeds

00109 – Any exhibitor in the Junior show may participate. The exhibitor may have the assistance of one other junior age person while in the ring. Exhibitors may use any ideas they wish on how to “dress” or “decorate” their sheep to represent any personality, place or thing. Emphasis should be on some aspect of wool production or wool products. Costumes may consist of any material as long as it is not considered harmful to the animal or potentially harmful to other exhibitors. Costume class must pre-enter. Judging will be based on creativity and attractiveness. Costume class may be split into smaller classes at the discretion of the superintendent.

