JUNIOR MARKET LAMB
Dept 017

SUPERINTENDENT:  Bill Sparrow, Jr. – Durham, NC
JUDGE:  Glen Martin - Mason, TX

CHECK IN: Lambs will be weighed and tagged in the Expo building between 8:00 am and 11:00 am on Monday, October 19, 2020.

NOTE: Exhibitors will receive an email after entry deadline concerning pen assignments. Exhibitors will need to check in with personnel located at a designated area prior to unloading their sheep to receive pen assignment. There will be no reserving pens, and any sheep penned without prior approval may be ejected from the fairgrounds and not allowed to show. Animals will not be allowed to enter the barns until inspected and passed by health officials. An approval card will be issued after inspection, prior to entering the barn.

SHOW DATE: Tuesday, October 20, 9:00 am, in the Jim Graham Building.

RELEASE TIME: Conclusion of show.

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. Exhibitors must bring all market animals to a designated checkpoint by August 8th to be validated. For more information, membership application, and tag record form please visit: http://www.ncagr.gov/markets/livestock/nctags.htm All market lambs entered in the NC State Fair will be required to be RFID tagged by a representative of NCDA&CS at one of the designated tagging stations by August 8, 2020. Each exhibitor will be allowed to RFID tag a maximum of 4 lambs. Only two of those lambs can be entered into the show. All lambs must be tagged. Date, time and locations of tagging locations are posted at http://www.ncagr.gov/markets/livestock/ncstatefair/index.htm. Contact Ben Carpenter at (919)270-8917, or ben.carpenter@ncagr.gov with any questions.

It is the expectation that all junior exhibitors be involved in the care of their livestock project(s) during the ownership time frame specified for each species. Project animals must be housed near enough to the exhibitor to be cared for regularly by the exhibitor. Market and breeding animals should be housed at the same location. Housing location of project animals entered at the NC State Fair should be the same location as other project animals exhibited by the junior participant throughout the year in county and other local and regional circuit shows.

All market animal exhibitors need to complete the State Fair Animal Housing form at https://apps.ncagr.gov/EventRegistration/Pages/Statefair/Livestock/NominationForm.aspx.

The Junior Market Lamb Showmanship Champion Contest can be found in Department 028, Section 103. Exhibitors must enter showmanship by September 15, 2020.
RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Exhibitors must be residents of North Carolina and 18 years of age or younger as of January 1, 2020. Exhibitors must be able to exhibit animal on their own without any assistance.

2. Lambs must be owned and possessed by August 8, 2020.

3. Lambs shown must be wethers.

4. Lambs will be shown as individuals. Each exhibitor is limited to two entries. There is no minimum age for exhibitors; however, exhibitors must exhibit their lamb on their own.

5. Lambs are required to be tagged at designated tagging stations which will be located throughout the state. Contact Ben Carpenter with questions at: (919)270-8917 or ben.carpenter@ncagr.gov.

6. If a junior has more than one lamb in a class, the second lamb must be shown by a junior approved by the show Superintendent.

7. Lambs must have all temporary (baby) teeth in place at the time of the show.

8. Fleece must be dry at weighing, and lambs must weigh between 90 and 145 pounds. No reweighs will be allowed.

9. Enter online at www.ncstatefair.org or by mail. The closing date for entries shall be September 15, 2020. Paper entries must be on separate entry form than sheep in open show or the junior ewe show and postmarked by September 15, 2020. Mailed or hand delivered paper entries will be charged a $5.00 processing fee. Entries must include the exhibitor’s Social Security Number.

10. Class size will be limited to 20 head. If the number of entries exceeds 20 the entries will be divided to form additional classes at the discretion of the Superintendent.

11. Major fitting should be done prior to arrival at the Fair.

12. Sheep must have been recently shorn prior to arrival to accommodate veterinary inspections. Fleece length shall not exceed 1/4 inch at arrival (exemption provided for breeding sheep shown in fleece or with fitted fleece).

13. 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.

14. No pens can be used for equipment or feed storage. Please put at least three sheep per pen.

15. Animals are expected to be humanely treated at all times. Any acts of mistreatment will not be tolerated and will result in expulsion from the show and forfeiture of premiums.

Any questions not covered by these rules will be ruled on by the Junior Market Lamb Superintendent.

Except as noted, all general rules of the fair and of the livestock division will apply and govern this department.
JUNIOR MARKET LAMB PREMIUMS TO BE DETERMINED

Division Champions:
  Light Weight
  Medium Weight
  Heavy Weight
  White Face Influence
  GOT TO BE NC

Reserve Division Champions
  Light Weight
  Medium Weight
  Heavy Weight
  White Face Influence

GRAND CHAMPION JR. MARKET LAMB
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION JR. MARKET LAMB
THIRD OVERALL
GRAND CHAMPION GOT TO BE NC JR. MARKET LAMB

Section 101 – JUNIOR MARKET LAMBS

Class: 00201 – Junior Market Lambs
  Classes will be determined by weight with no more than 20 lambs per class

Class: 00215 – White Face Influence Market Lambs
  1. The intent of this division is to provide a separate division for lambs whose dam or sire is a white faced breed. (Dorset, Columbia, Southdown, Cheviot, Katadhin, etc.)
  2. Participants should enter lambs in White-face Influence class on fair entries.
  3. Classification for this division will be approved at weigh-in by a classification official(s) and their decision will be final. Lambs not approved will be shown in the black-faced commercial division.
  4. Qualifying lambs should show at least 25% white hair on head including ears, or significant speckling pattern on ears, face, jaws, flank or legs. Solid faced, brown or smut faced lambs with little to no white hair on head and no speckling pattern will show in class 00201.
  5. Classes will be broken by weight at the discretion of the superintendent.
  6. Grand and Reserve Whiteface winners will compete for overall Grand Champion Market lamb.
  7. Any other issues regarding this show will be handled by the show committee.