

# **SHEEP - 4-H DEPARTMENT ZSH**

It is mandatory that sheep and goats are tagged with a USDA scrapie tag.

## **GENERAL SHEEP RULES - -**

1. It is recommended sheep be treated for parasites before entry day.
2. Read the pesticide label, withdrawal time is generally 30 days before slaughter.
3. Any entries found with external parasites may be disqualified.
4. No storing of sheep stands, hay, grain, grooming tools, etc. in sheep pens or alley way of the barn. Keep area neat.
5. No plastic twine allowed in barn.
6. All entries, including a "pen of three market and a flock" are to be shown in the show ring.
7. Refer to overall livestock exhibit rules, livestock building rules, livestock sale rules, and 4-H Code of Ethics.
8. The preferred method of docking is to NOT BODY DOCK (leave flaps of skin at the base of the tail when docking).

## **SPECIAL MARKET LAMB RULES**

1. Entries limited to lambs born January 1, 2011 or later.
2. Market Lambs shall be shorn and tagged between the time period of **June 1st to June 10<sup>th</sup> of current year**. Members have the option of tagging two (2) lambs but only one can be entered as a 4-H Market Lamb. Suggested weight at tagging time is around 70 pounds. The 4-H Sheep Superintendents will select a date (TBA) in that ten days time period. On the selected date, all 4-H members enrolled in the Market Lamb project will be required to bring their labs to a central location, to be tagged and weighed.
3. At weigh-in Market Lambs (wethers or ewes) are required to weigh 90 pounds or more. Lambs that weigh between 80-89 pounds will be allowed to show only and not allowed to sell at the Valley County 4-H & FFA Livestock Sale.
4. Market Lambs will be judged according to weight, condition, cut ability and conformation.
5. The Sheep Superintendent may divide the market lamb class by weight if necessary.
6. Refer to Livestock Sale Rules.
7. **Fitting Requirement** for Valley County 4-H & FFA - Must be shorn June 1 - 10<sup>th</sup>.  
Recommendation: Slick shorn 1 - 10 days before show

**NOTE:** Fitting is left up to the exhibitor.

## **SPECIAL BREEDING SHEEP RULES**

1. Sheep entered in breeding classes will be judged upon breed characteristics, quality conformation and development for age.
2. **Fitting Requirement** for Valley County 4-H & FFA Show - - Must not have over 12 month's fleece growth.

**Recommendation:** Contact the Extension Office for breed preference or contact your breed association.

**NOTE:** Fitting is left up to the exhibitor. Suggest contacting your breed association for information.

## **ZSH -- CLASS 32 -- MARKET LAMB**

### **Lot Number**

1. Pen (3) Market Lambs. Only one of these can be entered as an individual Market Lamb if the exhibitor does not have an animal in Lot #2.
2. One Market Lamb.



4-H Grand Champion Market Lamb..... Rosette  
4-H Reserve Champion Market Lamb.....Rosette

## **BREEDING SHEEP - -PUREBRED (Registered and Non-Registered)**

**ZSH -- Class 33 - Rambouillet**

**ZSH -- Class 34 - Columbia**

**ZSH -- Class 35 - Hampshire**

**ZSH -- Class 36 - Targhee**

**ZSH -- Class 37 - Suffolk**

**ZSH -- Class 38 - Polypay**

**ZSH -- Class 39 - Dorset**

**ZSH -- Class 40 - Any Other Purebred**

**NOTE:** Class 40 - Any other - - Exhibitor may enter more than one entry in "Any Other" as long as the breed is not duplicated or entered in Classes 33 to 39.

## **CROSSBRED SHEEP**

**ZSH -- Class 41 - Crossbred**

**NOTE:** Class 41, Crossbred – Exhibitor may enter more than one entry in "Crossbred" provided the cross breeding is not duplicated.

### **Lot Number**

1. Ram Lamb
2. Yearling Ram
3. Ram - 2 and over
4. Ewe Lamb
3. Yearling Ewe
6. Ewe – 2 and over
7. Flock - pen of 3 - - 1 ram and 2 ewes of the same breed

The following will receive a Rosette

Grand Champion Ram	Reserve Champion Ram
Grand Champion Ewe	Reserve Champion Ewe
Champion Flock	Res Champion Flock
Overall Breeds Grand Champion Ram	
Overall Breeds Reserve Champion Ram	
Overall Breeds Grand Champion Ewe	
Overall Breeds Reserve Champion Ewe	
Overall Breeds Grand Champion Flock	
Overall Breeds Reserve Champion Flock	

## **SHEEP AWARDS**

**Donovan's Columbia** will award a revolving Club Herdsman Award to the most herdsman points received by a 4-H Club.

**The Etchart Family in honor of John and Catherine Etchart** will award a traveling plaque to the top Senior Sheep Showman. This plaque will be presented after the Sheep Judging.

**In honor of Ed & Betty Gerspacher**, Valley County Pioneers, a traveling plaque will be presented to the top Junior Sheep Showman. This plaque is to remain in the Extension Office.

**MARKET LAMB AWARDS** -- The Glasgow Stockyards, Inc and the Glasgow Veterinary Clinic will award individual prizes to the Champion and Reserve Champion 4-H Market Sheep.

**AVERAGE DAILY GAIN AWARD** -- Tihista Suffolks will sponsor an award to the 4-H member whose Market Lamb has the highest ADG. To be eligible, your market lamb has to be tagged and weighed at the designated county Weigh-In day.

**Northwest Farm Credit Services of Glasgow** will provide three cash awards to the top three Market Lamb Carcasses: First Place \$50; Second Place \$35; Third Place \$15

**Gordon's Foods** will award a Montana Silversmith Belt Buckle to the top 4-H Lamb Carcass

**BREEDING SHEEP** -- **The Columbia Sheep Breeders Association of Montana** will award Champion ribbons for the Grand Champion Columbia Registered Ram and the Grand Champion Registered Columbia Ewe exhibited by FFA or 4-H members in the Junior Division of the fair. These ribbons will be sent direct to the winners after the fair. (purebred if under one year)

**Roger Trang** will award the overall Breeds Champion Ewe a bag of Vigortone Sheep mineral. Roger Trang, Authorized Dealer Vigortone Ag Products, Box 484 Nashua MT 59248