

## KENTUCKY SHEEP AND FIBER FESTIVAL

# Sheep Fleece Contest Rules and Classes

**There are 3 ways to enter fleeces at KSFF:**

- 1) Show Only – submitted for competition only, not for sale.
- 2) Show and Sale – submitted for competition and will be for sale after judging.
- 3) Sale Only – displayed for sale but not to be entered in the competition.

**A non-refundable \$5 entry fee applies to all.**

We do not take fleeces before Friday of the event. To enter the Sheep Fleece Contest, bring your fleece to the back gate of the park, on Friday from 10am-1pm, where you will be directed to the fleece competition area. Judging will take place at 3:00pm, winners announced upon conclusion.

**The Fleece Chairperson will enter it in the appropriate category.**

**The fleece is to be skirted and presented in a clear plastic bag.**

**On an index card write information (below) and place inside the bag:**

- Name
- Phone number
- Description of fleece (i.e. ram, Hampshire, 12 month growth)
- Sale price (\$) if it is available for sale

**All fleeces entered must have been grown on sheep owned by the exhibitor and represent no more than 15 months growth.**

**Each fleece entered must be in only one class.**

**Each fleece should be free of excessive vegetable matter (*not washed*), untied but skirted, rolled and placed in a clear plastic bag.**

**Entry Fee\* is \$5 per fleece, show only and show and sale.**

Show Only Fleeces must be picked up by the exhibitor by 6pm on Friday. Show and Sale Fleeces should be picked up by the conclusion of the show on Sunday afternoon if unsold. Fleeces not picked up will become property of the Kentucky Sheep and Fiber Festival. Fleeces may be offered and marked for sale at registration. The judge can reclassify or disqualify fleeces. Judging will take place on Saturday. If you are not sure which class your fleece belongs in, someone at registration can advise you.

**Entry limit of 10 fleeces per farm for competition- no limit for sale (entry fee still applies).**

*\*Entry fee can be paid in cash or check- make all checks payable to KSFF*

# STANDARDS

Fleeces are judged by the following standards:

- *Quality* must be typical of the wool grade represented
- *Evenness* of crimp, staple length, and staple width over various parts of fleece
- *Strength* of staple
- *Estimated* clean weight
- *Condition*
- *Character*, including the handle, crimp and the color
- suitability for handspinning

## FLEECE DIVISIONS AND CLASSES

### Division I - Natural Colored Wool

### Division II- White Wool

Divisions I and II will each have classes A, B, C, D and E as follows:

- A. Fine:** Spinning Count 64s to 80s (17-22 microns) (e.g., Cormo, Merino, Rambouillet, etc.)
- B. Medium:** Spinning Count 50s to 62s (22-31 microns) (e.g., Cheviot, Columbia, Corriedale, Dorset, Montadale, Tunis, etc.)
- C. Long:** Spinning Count 36s to 48s (31-40+ microns) (e.g., Border Leicester, Coopworth, Cotswold, Lincoln, Romney, Wensleydale, etc.)
- D. Primitive/Double-Coated:** (e.g., Icelandic, Karakul, Navajo-Churro, Scottish Blackface, Shetland, etc.)
- E. Market Class** (eg: Hampshire, Polypay, Suffolk, Texel, etc)

Each class will be separated by ewe or ram/wether.

Please also indicate if the fleece is from a lamb with a check mark.

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Wool Fleece Contest & Sale Entry Form**

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<b>Name:</b>	<b>Farm:</b> <i>(optional)</i>
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>City:</b>	<b>State &amp; Zip Code</b>
<b>Phone:</b>	<b>Email:</b>

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	Division, Class, Sex (example- II, A, - Ram)	BREED	Lamb	Wt. *	\$ **	Show/ Sale
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						

\* weight should be rounded up to the nearest 1/4 lb

\*\* \$ Cost should be per fleece if for sale