

## GENERAL RULES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR WAYNE COUNTY JR FAIR LAMB CARCASS PROJECT

1. All the general rules and requirements of the traditional Junior Fair program pertain.
2. Entries in Carcass Classes are limited to 4-H and FFA members enrolled in a local 4-H club or FFA chapter.
3. Carcass lambs are to be tagged in June at official county check-in.
4. Carcass lamb must be entered on a Jr. Fair entry and submitted online by August 1 (only one lamb may compete in Carcass Contest). Make Jr Fair entry in Sheep Department Section 50 Class 3.
5. Carcass lambs will be shown live Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at the Wayne County Fairgrounds. Carcass viewing will be Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>. The carcass contest results will be held at the new Boliantz Meats in Mansfield. 749 Springmill Street Mansfield OH 44903
6. A letter will be emailed to all Market Lamb exhibitors in August.
7. All Carcass Contest lambs will be processed at Boliantz Packing in Ashland. Then they will be shipped to their new facility in Mansfield. Members must have a buyer or expect to keep the animal unless they are a Champion or Reserve Champion carcass. (Please note Champions will be sold at the fair and will not go back into the family's custody.) Any member who does not claim custody of the carcass within 30 days of the contest will not be allowed to participate in the contest the following year.
8. All members enrolled in the Lamb Carcass Contest project should complete the 4-H or FFA record book and must complete the Skillathon and Quality Assurance to meet ODA livestock quality assurance and Wayne County Jr Fair rules.
9. This is a terminal contest - no exceptions.
10. Carcass Contest scoring shall be as follows:

Carcass merit	90%
Handling	10%
11. The lamb with the greatest number of points after the two scores are added will be declared the Grand Champion.
12. Lambs must weigh 100lbs at check in to be eligible to place. If the lamb is under weight it may still be processed and graded but it will not be ranked in the results show.

### RULES FOR CONDUCT OF CARCASS SHOW (Live Evaluation Part)

1. All lambs **must be shown** by the Wayne County 4-H or FFA member who enrolled in the project, unless medically unable to do so at the time of the show. School and/or sports excuses will not be allowed. Member must be present unless medically unable, since 10% of final placing will be based on your ability to handle and lead the animal.
2. Members must wear clean clothes and solid shoes or boots in the show ring.
3. Lambs will be shown in an order determined by the Sheep Committee.
4. All lambs will be slick shorn at home. Fitting and grooming is not scored and is discouraged.

### RULES FOR CONDUCT OF CARCASS SHOW (Cooler Evaluation Part)

1. All animals judged live will be transported for slaughter by the committee.
2. Judging of carcass will be based on a combination of USDA Quality and Yield Grades.
3. Lambs will be graded and the appropriate stamp rolled.

### SALE OF CARCASS CONTEST LAMBS

1. The Champion & Reserve Champion carcasses will be sold at the Wayne County Fair live lamb sale.
2. The buyers of the Grand & Reserve Champion carcasses will be responsible to pick up the frozen retail cuts.
3. If you pre-sell your carcass to a buyer and you should receive Grand or Reserve Carcass you must tell your buyer that they will have to purchase it at the sale or make other arrangements for buying another carcass.
4. All lambs will be processed and cut identically unless prior directions are given to Boliantz Packing.

#### NOTE:

The live judging is an educational session on live evaluation. There will also be an educational session on carcass evaluation prior to the carcass show.

*Other rules may be added or clarifications provided if deemed necessary by the Sheep Committee.*