

# 2017 WAYNE COUNTY SHEEP

## Project Guidelines

### Check List for Sheep Projects and Fair Exhibition

- ☐ **Enroll in 4-H by April 1, 2017** (Enrollment form should be turned in to your 4-H Club Advisor)
- ☐ **Obtain and Care for your lamb by June 1, 2017**
- ☐ **Purebred Breeding Sheep must have appropriate breed association registration papers**
- ☐ **Market Lamb Tag-In June 3, 2017 at Fairgrounds 8-10:30 a.m. Market Lambs ONLY**  
(All Lambs must have a scrapie tag in their ear by this date –See page 3)
- ☐ **Attend QA March 28<sup>th</sup>, April 26<sup>th</sup>, May 25<sup>th</sup>, or attend a State of Ohio recognized QA**
- ☐ **Attend Skillathon July 20<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, OR 25<sup>th</sup>**
- ☐ **Make a Fair Entry for your lamb by August 1, 2017**  
(Fair entry should be turned in to your 4-H Club advisor)
- ☐ **Read and follow ALL rules pertaining to your project animal in the Jr. Fair Book**  
(This book should be given to you by your 4-H Advisor)

### RECENT CHANGES/IMPORTANT NOTES



**Monday Market lamb show will start no earlier than 6pm or immediately following the Swine Show.**

**Tuesday Breeding and B&R show will start no earlier than 3pm and immediately following the Swine Shows.**

- Market Lambs will be weighed in at 8:00am on Saturday, September 9, 2017.
- **State Rule: Drenching of livestock at the fair is prohibited unless for a medical condition at the fair when diagnosed by a licensed veterinarian. Ohio defines drenching as the act of using an instrument, including a bottle, placed in an animal's mouth to orally administer a liquid, food, or any other substance. Instruments include hand, syringe, scoop – anything used to place a substance in the animal's mouth.**
- Each member must identify one market animal in his/her name. Extra (back-up) animal(s) may be signed up/tagged in under one family for all siblings in that **immediate family**.
- **Three or more entries are required to have a breed section.** If there are not three entries per breed, animals will be shown in All Other Breeds Meat or Wool class. In the event of three entries in a breed section not listed; that breed section will be added the following year.
- **Slick Shorn Wether Type Ewe Lambs and Yearling Ewes** will be weighed–in on Saturday, September 9, 2017 with the market lambs. This will allow us to divide those classes into weight divisions.
- **There will be NO blocking or trimming in aisles at any time during the fair.**

## PROJECT INFORMATION

- The project must be in the care and possession of the member by **JUNE 1** of the current year and remain with the member through the fair.
- Guidelines for training and showing your lamb are listed in your 4-H Sheep Resource Book. **A clinic covering breeding sheep and market lamb showmanship**, will be held May 20 at the County Fairgrounds. You will receive more information on this later in the spring.
- **Each family should have the 4-H Sheep Resource Book. Each member needs to complete the Market Lamb Project and Record Book, or Pilot Sheep Breeding Project and Record Book, and participate in the sheep Quality Assurance and Skillathon in order to be eligible to exhibit at the Wayne County Junior Fair. A Letter is sent to members in June with the QA and Skillathon details.**
- Members may show only one market lamb at the Wayne County Junior Fair. This includes the “Born and Raised” and the Market Lamb shows. You may however, show the same market lamb in the Market Lamb show and then again in the “Wayne County Born and Raised” show.
- Members may show one breeding sheep per breed class. Members are limited to entries in two breeds. Slick shorn wether type ewe is considered a breed class.
- Members are permitted to show either a wether or a ewe lamb in the market lamb class. Market lambs with any evidence of testicular growth will not be permitted to show.
- **Market Lambs must be tagged on June 3, 2017 at the Market Lamb Tag-In at the County Fairgrounds. Lambs must have a Scrapie Identification Tag** in an ear by this date. (Tattoos are not permitted)
- Use your market lamb project book to figure your lamb’s weight gain and what it will weigh for the Fair. Keep in mind that all lambs gain at different rates depending on frame, structure and the feed you are feeding. Decide what your particular lamb should ideally weigh at market time and feed to reach that weight. You have approximately 100 days from the June tagging until your animal will be weighed in at the county fair. Market Lambs must weigh at least 90lbs. to show/sell at the fair
- The market lamb classes are terminal show and sale. All market lambs will be sold on Wednesday evening at the Junior Fair Auction and **MUST** go to a market designated by the Senior Fair Board.
- The Wayne County Junior Fair Book is available to all 4-H members in July (the Junior Fair Book should be distributed to club members by the 4-H advisor). All details pertaining to the fair are listed in this book and the August “Link” newsletter, which is sent to every 4-H family.
- Market lambs must be bedded with sawdust or mulch.
- Market Lambs, slick shorn wether type ewe lambs and yearling ewes will be weighed Saturday, September 9, 2017 at 8:00am. Exhibitors are responsible for seeing that their animals are weighed. No lambs can be shown or sold at the auction unless they have been weighed.
- **Due to health concerns, market lambs, slick shorn wether type ewe lambs and yearling ewes must be washed and slick shorn within one week prior to arrival at the fair. Any lamb found not to have an acceptable length of fleece or cleanliness prior to weigh in will not be allowed to weigh. The Sheep Committee recommends the use of at least a 13 tooth clipper comb.**
- Lambs weighing less than 90lbs will not show or sell. They will be sold to a local market decided upon by the committee. Members will not show in showmanship or market classes. Lambs will leave the fairgrounds immediately following the weigh-in.

- Drug Use Notification Forms (DUNF) must be completely filled out and presented at weigh-in. You will receive this form at the Skillathon.
- DUNF (Drug Use Notification Form) will be turned in at weigh-in Any Sheep project determined to be exhibiting signs of prolapse or any contagious diseases, including fungus, at any time during the Fair will be dismissed.
- All Market Lambs will be shown slick shorn to a uniform length.
- Showmanship classes will be held on Monday September 11, 2017 NO earlier than 6:00pm and immediately following swine showmanship in the show barn. Followed by Market Lamb Classes.
- Wayne County Born and Raised classes will be held on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 NO earlier than 3:00pm and immediately following swine show and will be followed by the breeding classes.
- Exhibitors selling their animal(s) at the Junior Fair Sale MUST send a “thank you” note to the buyer(s). This “thank you” note is to be delivered to the Extension Office beginning the Monday after the fair in a stamped, sealed and addressed envelope, and no later than one week after the sale. Checks for the sale of market animals will be sent to members only after a “thank you” note is presented to the Extension Office.
- Water will be made available to sheep at all times.

## NEW Carcass Contest

- All of the general rules and requirements of the traditional Junior Fair program pertain.
- Carcass lambs are to be tagged in June at official county check-in.
- Carcass lamb must be entered on a Jr. Fair entry and turned in by August 1st (only one lamb may compete in Carcass Contest).
- 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.
- Carcass Contest scoring shall be as follows:
  - Carcass merit                      90%
  - Handling                              10%
- The Champion & Reserve Champion carcasses will be sold at the Wayne County Fair live lamb sale on Wednesday. Champion carcasses will be cut and frozen and ready to pick up after the fair.
- Further information to follow in May sheep member letter.

## SCRAPIE INFORMATION

Wayne County Fair requires official ID on ALL sheep. This includes market lambs and breeding ewes.

The animal's Official USDA ID must be obtained and applied by:

1. Owner of the flock at birth (highly recommended)
2. The Exhibitor
3. An accredited Veterinarian

### Scrapie Tags

- Can be used in any lamb –Registered or unregistered
- Plastic or metal –(Official scrapie tag will have a US shield on it)
- Serial numbered or premise ID styles
- Free or purchased (different styles and colors) approved companies only.
- Free Tags – Call 1-866-873-2824
- DO NOT REMOVE ANY OFFICIAL TAGS!
- Must be tagged in an ear.



### THIS IS A SCRAPIE TAG

←This is the Flock ID

←This is the Animal ID

**We need BOTH of these numbers when we ask for your animal's Scrapie tag number!**