





Chairperson: Chris Rerko, Belle Vernon, PA (724) 984-7765

2026 Health Regulations for Sheep

*****All exhibitors, at the time of animal check-in, must provide the Fair Office with a copy of their animals' health records. The health records will be kept by the Fair Office and will not be returned to the exhibitor.*****

Pennsylvania Sheep:

1. A current Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) valid for 30 days after the date of the issue.
2. All animals must be free of evidence of infectious and contagious diseases and a statement of this should be written on the CVI.
3. Individual official animal identification is required for all sheep and goats. Identification used for sheep and goats must be permanently affixed to the individual animal. Official ID includes any of the following:
 - (a) A USDA ear tag with a US shield ; which includes scrapie program tags (animals bearing identification with blue colored scrapie program tags labelled "meat" with a US shield  are not permitted to be exhibited in Pennsylvania). Please call the Department at 717-772-2852 if such a tag is encountered).
 - (b) A legible tattoo with herd and individual identification recognized in an approved USDA Scrapie database (Scrapie tattoo - flock ID in the right ear, state postal code and letters/numbers and individual animal ID in the left ear).
 - (c) A breed registration tattoo if the animal is accompanied by a registration certificate and the tattoo is legible.
4. A current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian for animals 3 months of age and older (observe appropriate slaughter withdraw time).

Out of State Sheep: Please contact the Fair Office or the PA Department of Agriculture for additional health rules.

General Information

1. For post-exhibition sales the following requirements apply:
 - a. Market sheep and goats must be documented on sales slips which contain all of the following information:
 - (i) Official identification; (ii) Sale date; (iii) Sale location; (iv) Name, address, and phone number of the exhibitor; (v) Hauler contact information; (vi) Destination name and contact information; (vii) Total number of animals in the shipment; (viii) Type of sheep or goat (i.e., meat, dairy, specific breed); (ix) For sheep, face color; (x) Signature of consignee, agent, or hauler

- b. Sales slips, or a document containing all of the information required under subsection (a) above, must follow the sheep or goats to their final destination (including slaughter facilities).
- c. Sheep or goats which are purchased with the intent of breeding and are traveling via interstate movement must have a valid Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) prior to movement to the destination state.
- d. A copy of the sale records slips as delineated above and a copy of any CVI, required under subsection (c) above, must be kept by the sale organizer for 5 years.

2026 RULES AND REGULATIONS:

ENTRY DEADLINE: Friday, July 17, 2026

ENTRY FEE: \$2.00 per animal

ARRIVAL TIME: Thursday, July 30, 2026 – 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

RELEASE TIME: Friday, July 31, 2026 – 10:30 PM

1. To show ownership, the exhibitor's name must be on registration papers.
2. When livestock barns are filled to capacity, entries will be refused based on latest postmark.
3. All animals over 6 months of age must be registered in their respective breed associations and must bear an association tag corresponding to the registry number reported on the entry form at the time of entering the animals in the show. Purchased animals must have transfer recorded at least 30 days before the opening of the Fair. Substitutions within class only will be permitted and, if made, must be filed with the Chairperson at the time that the animal is checked into the Fair. All registrations will be checked when animals are unloaded.
4. **All registrations will be checked starting at 6:00 pm on arrival day; Thursday, July 30, 2026** All exhibitors will be expected to be present and to help with checking the animals for tattoos.
5. All animals that do not have registration papers as proof of being purebred will be shown in Breed Classification #24 - Crossbred/Unregistered. The Champion ram and ewe from Classification #24 will be eligible to compete for overall Supreme Champion.
6. Breeders are to be aware that the Fair will not provide separation barriers for animals from a certified scrapie free program.
7. Exhibitor limited to 2 premiums per class; group classes limited to 1 premium per exhibitor.
8. **SUBSTITUTIONS PERMITTED IN SAME CLASS ONLY**

SECTION 1 BREEDING SHEEP

JUDGING: Friday, July 31, 2026 - 9:00 AM (in conjunction with the Junior Show).

JUDGE: Carter Hall – Ripley, WV

Breed Codes:

01 – CHEVIOT	09 – JACOBS	17 – ROMNEY
02 – COLORED SHEEP	10 – KATAHDIN	18 – SHROPSHIRE
03 – COLUMBIA	11 – MERINO	19 – SOUTHDOWN
04 – CORRIEDALE	12 – MONTADALE	20 – SUFFOLK
05 – DORPER	13 – OXFORD	21 – TARGHEE
06 – DORSET	14 – POLYPAY	22 – TUNIS
07 – HAMPSHIRE	15 – RAMBOUILLET	23 – OTHER BREEDS (Specify)
08 – HORNED DORSET	16 – ROMANOV	24 -- CROSSBRED/UNREGISTERED

CLASS	DESCRIPTION	AWARD/PREMIUM	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
1	Ram, 1 year and under 2		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
2	Ram Fall Lamb, born 9-1-25 to 12-3-25		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
3	Ram Spring Lamb, born 1-1-26 or after		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
4	Two Ram Lambs		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
CHAMPION RAM			ROSETTE				
RESERVE CHAMPION RAM			ROSETTE				
7	Ewe, 1 year and under 2		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
8	Pair of Ewes, 1 year and under 2		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
9	Ewe, Fall Lamb born 9-1-25 to 12-31-25		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
10	Ewe, Spring Lamb born 1-1-26 or after		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
11	Pair of Ewes under 1 year		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
12	Ewe, December Lamb, born 12-1-25 to 12-31-25		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
13	Ewe, January Lamb, born 1-1-26 to 1-31-26						
14	Ewe, February Lamb, born 2-1-26 to 2-29-26		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
15	Ewe, March/Spring Lamb, born 3-1-26 or after		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
CHAMPION EWE			ROSETTE				
RESERVE CHAMPION EWE			ROSETTE				
It is permissible for family members to combine animals to compete in the following classes:							
19	Pen of lambs, 1 ram lamb and 1 ewe lamb		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
20	Breeder's Young Flock, 1 ram lamb and 2 ewe lambs all bred and owned by exhibitor		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
21	Flock, 1 ram (any age), 2 yearling ewes and 2 ewe lambs		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
22	Get of Sire, 4 breeding animals (any age or sex), the get of 1 sire. Need not be owned by the exhibitor		\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6
SUPREME CHAMPION RAM			ROSETTE				
SUPREME CHAMPION EWE			ROSETTE				

SECTION 3 WOOL

JUDGING: Friday, July 31, 2026 – 1:00 PM

JUDGE: David Herring - Uniontown, PA

Chairperson: Diana Black, Smithfield, PA 15478 (724-569-9345)

2026 RULES AND REGULATIONS:

ENTRY DEADLINE: Friday, July 31, 2026 – 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon (Grange Building)

1. Exhibitor must have owned the sheep from which the fleece was shorn.
2. No premiums will be awarded in any class unless the exhibits are worthy. The judge may withhold any premium for lack of merit.
3. Exhibits are open to both PUREBRED and COMMERCIAL flocks.
4. Exhibit must be shorn in 2026 and represent no more than 12 months growth.
5. Open Sheep exhibitors will be permitted to remove their fleeces when the Open Sheep are released. All other fleeces must remain on display until Saturday, August 8, 2026, at 10:30 PM.

CLASS	DESCRIPTION	AWARD/ PREMIUM	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
1	Fine Wool - 64's to 80's -- Ram		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
2	Fine Wool - 64's to 80's -- Ewe		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
3	Half and Three-Eighth Blood - 56's to 62's -- Ram		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
4	Half and Three-Eighth Blood - 56's to 62's -- Ewe		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
5	Quarter and Low Quarter- 46's to 56's -- Ram		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
6	Quarter and Low Quarter- 46's to 56's -- Ewe		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
7	Common and Braid - 36's to 44's -- Ram		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
8	Common and Braid - 36's to 44's -- Ewe		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
CHAMPION FLEECE			ROSETTE				
9	Naturally Colored Fine Wool - 64's to 80's -- Ram		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
10	Naturally Colored Fine Wool - 64's to 80's -- Ewe		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
11	Naturally Colored Half and Three Eighth Blood - 56's to 62's -- Ram		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
12	Naturally Colored Half and Three Eighth Blood - 56's to 62's -- Ewe		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
13	Naturally Colored Quartered and Low Quarter - 46's to 56's -- Ram		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
14	Naturally Colored Quartered and Low Quarter - 46's to 56's -- Ewe		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
15	Naturally Colored Common and Braid - 36's to 44's -- Ram		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
16	Naturally Colored Common and Braid - 36's to 44's -- Ewe		\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4
CHAMPION FLEECE			ROSETTE				
SUPREME CHAMPION FLEECE			ROSETTE				
17	Special Exhibit of Six (6) Fleeces (Uniformity of fiber - Roto length, size and color)		\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4