

JUNIOR MARKET LAMB SHOW

DEPARTMENT JML

ENTRY DEADLINE:
DEC. 1, 2007

JUDGES –
Gene Winn, NM
Southdown, Fine Wool, Fine Wool
Crosses
Kyle Smithwick, TX
Medium Wool

Superintendent
Rick Machen

Assistant - Superintendent
Marvin Ensor

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

6 am – Noon Arrive / Check-In MAC
Weight, Tag Number, & Breed Designation must be turned in by 3 p.m. or the exhibitor will be disqualified

2 pm Sheep Skillathon MAC

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

8 am Judge MAC
Southdown, Fine Wool, Fine Wool Cross

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8 am Judge MAC
Medium Wool

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14

5:30 pm Junior Lamb Auction AB

SPECIAL RULES

This show is subject to the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo General Rules, the Junior Livestock Show Special Rules, and Special Rules listed in this section.

1. **Entry:** Each exhibitor may enter one wether lamb.
2. **Validation:** To be eligible to exhibit in the Junior Market Lamb Show, all lambs must be validated in the Texas 4-H and FFA Lamb Validation Program. Each entry must have been recorded on a 4-H or FFA Lamb Validation Form Master List completed by the County Lamb Validation Committee. Failure to comply with the rules and regulations of the Texas Lamb Validation Program in any manner will result in immediate disqualification.
3. **Stalling:** Stalls will not be pre-assigned; stalling will occur on a first-come, first-serve basis.
4. **Age:** Wethers must have milk teeth in normal positions at time of check-in, any wether having lost one or both of his milk teeth will be disqualified.
5. **Shearing:** Lambs must be shorn slick to the skin above knee and hock joints before arrival on the grounds. This will be strictly enforced. No clipping will be allowed at any time. Hand clipping with non-electrical clippers or scissors of boots is permitted.
6. **Equipment:** Blocking of aisles with any kind of equipment (showboxes, feed pans, etc.) is strictly prohibited. All Equipment must be stored safely above pens.
7. **Generators:** No Generators will be allowed on the grounds.
8. **Blow Dryers:** No Blow Dryers will be allowed.

9. Blocking / Trim Tables: No Blocking/Trim Tables will be permitted on the grounds.

10. Fans: Fans will be limited to one (1) per five (5) head exhibited; no more than one (1) fan per regular sized pen.

11. Pens: Exhibitors may not dismantle pens.



12. Eartags & Weighing: All eartags except the TX Validation Tag and the Texas Lamb Breeders tag must be removed before showing. The TX Validation tag number will be used for animal identification. Exhibitors will turn in the official show weight for their lamb. All lambs with weights turned in below the minimum for their respective breed will be sifted. (Minimum weight-100 lbs., except for Southdown, which is 90 lbs.) Weight changes will not be allowed at any time.

13. Show Check-in Procedures: Exhibitors must check-in and complete the State Validation Tag Number, Weight, and Breed Designation of the Lamb Disposition Form. Upon completion, the exhibitor will be given the Exhibitor copy of the Lamb Disposition Form. Check-in must be completed by 3 pm the day of check-in, or be disqualified.

14. Scales: Scales will be provided in areas throughout the barn; such scales are unofficial and are provided for exhibitor's convenience only. Official scales will be used by Superintendents to determine official weights. No other scales will be allowed.

15. Weights: Minimum weight-100 lbs., except Southdown-90 lbs. Lambs will be re-weighed at the time of judging, those weighing more than 5 lbs. greater than the official weigh-in weight will be disqualified. Superintendents will break classes following the completion of check-in. There will be no pre-set weight breaks. Exhibitors missing their class are ineligible to compete in a different weight division and will be sifted.

16. Reclassification: Lambs will be subject to reclassification by a three-member committee. Lambs may be reclassified into the appropriate division at the discretion of official classifiers. See Lamb Classification Standards.

17. Fitting: No painting, powdering, or artificial coloring is allowed. This will be strictly enforced by the three-member classifying committee.

18. Placing Lambs: Placing lambs must be paint branded at judging by a show official.

19. Medication: Administration of any medication to market animals that is not approved by the FDA is a violation of Federal law. Read all label directions and observe all required withdrawal periods. Please refer to Rule #30 in the General Rules.

20. Junior Auction: Decoration of market animals for the Junior Auction is prohibited; animals must be presented for Auction in their natural show state (i.e. no glitter, paint, balloons, etc. allowed).

21. Premier Flock: The following criteria must apply:

- a. Five (5) head of placing lambs
- b. All five (5) head must come from the same county, they may consist of 4H, FFA or a combination of both.
- c. Lambs may be of any combination of breeds
- d. Uniformity will be the major selection criteria for this class

JUNIOR MARKET LAMB CLASSES & PLACINGS

Southdown - Total head placed = 30

<u>Class</u>	<u>Placing</u>
1	1st through 6th
2	1st through 6th
3	1st through 6th
4	1st through 6th
5	1st through 6th
6	Champion
7	Reserve Champion

Fine Wool - Total head placed = 30

<u>Class</u>	<u>Placing</u>
8	1st through 6th
9	1st through 6th
10	1st through 6th
11	1st through 6th
12	1st through 6th
13	Champion
14	Reserve Champion

Fine Wool Cross - Total head placed = 56

<u>Class</u>	<u>Placing</u>
15	1st through 8th
16	1st through 8th
17	1st through 8th
18	1st through 8th
19	1st through 8th
20	1st through 8th
21	1st through 8th
22	Champion
23	Reserve Champion

Medium Wool - Total head placed = 135

<u>Class</u>	<u>Placing</u>
24	1st through 9th
25	1st through 9th
26	1st through 9th
27	1st through 9th
28	1st through 9th
29	1st through 9th
30	1st through 9th
31	1st through 9th
32	1st through 9th
33	1st through 9th
34	1st through 9th
35	1st through 9th
36	1st through 9th
37	1st through 9th
38	1st through 9th
39	Champion
40	Reserve Champion
<u>Class</u>	<u>Placing</u>
41	Grand Champion
42	Reserve Grand Champion
43	Premier Flock

Grand Total Placed = 251

LAMB CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

FINE WOOL BREED CHARACTERISTICS

Acceptable Breed Characteristics

- * Rambouillet, Delaine, Debouillet or a cross between these breeds
- * Silky ears, medium to moderate in size
- * Yellow to white hooves (neutral)
- * Black pads on hooves
- * Silky, white face
- * Soft pelt
- * Nose should be neutral to pink in color
- * May be polled or horned

Discriminatory Breed Characteristics

- * Moderate amounts of brown or black spots in the skin and/or wool
- * Moderate freckling or pigmented skin (brown or black) on the ears, eyes, and lips
- * Black streaking in the hooves
- * Black eyelashes
- * Birthmarks

Absolute Disqualifications

- * Excessively coarse britch and/or harsh pelt
- * Excessive coarse, chalky, white hair on the face, in the flanks, and/or down the front and/or rear legs
- * Excessive brown or black spots in the skin and/or wool
- * Excessive freckling or pigmented skin (brown or black) on the ears, eyes, and lips

Absolute Disqualifications

- * Brown or black spots in hairline above hooves
- * Solid black hooves
- * Black lambs
- * Surgical alterations other than redocking
- * Steep hip or tendency to show the callipyge gene

FINE WOOL CROSS BREED CHARACTERISTICS

Acceptable Breed Characteristics

- * Must be a cross with evidence of at least 50 % finewool breeding and the remaining percentage exhibiting predominance of medium wool breeding (Hampshire and/or Suffolk)
- * Soft pelt that which characteristic of 1/2 blood wool (60's-62's spinning count)
- * Face and ears should be soft and silky
- * Mottling and/or some spotting on face and ears and legs below the knees and hocks
- * Wool must be present below the hocks on the rear legs; wool below the knees on the front legs is not necessary
- * White, ring-eyed crosses are acceptable if pelt is acceptable
- * Birth marks are acceptable

Discriminatory Breed Characteristics

- * Solid brown face and ears with little to no mottling
- * Excessive black or brown spotting in the skin above the knees and hocks
- * Moderate amounts of colored fibers (black or brown) in the wool

Absolute Disqualifications

- * Excessive black or solid dark chocolate brown color on face, ears, and legs (including wool)
- * Excessive coarse britch and/or harsh pelt
- * Excessive coarse, chalky, white hair on face, in the flanks, and/or down the front and/or rear legs
- * Total absence of wool on rear legs
- * Black lambs
- * Surgical alterations other than redocking
- * Steep hip or tendency to show callipyge gene

SOUTHDOWN BREED CHARACTERISTICS

Acceptable Breed Characteristics

- * Hair color on muzzle should be mouse colored, gray to brown
- * Nostril pigmentation may be black to purplish-gray
- * Muzzle should be broad; head of moderate length
- * Ears should be of moderate length, covered with short hair or wool
- * Black hoof color
- * Birth marks are acceptable

Discriminatory Breed Characteristics

- * Solid white color or dark chocolate on muzzle
- * Coarse, chalky, white hair around eyes extending to and including the muzzle
- * Coarse hair in the flank
- * Coarse britch and/or harsh pelt
- * Predominately pink nose with few black spots
- * Long, narrow nose
- * Excessive coloration on ears
- * Excessive ear length
- * Predominantly slick ears
- * Scurs
- * Open poll on head
- * Striped hooves
- * Black fibers in wool

Absolute Disqualification

- * Speckled face or legs
- * Horns
- * White hooves

SOUTHDOWN BREED CHARACTERISTICS Cont'd

Absolute Disqualification

- * Intentional alteration of hair color or skin pigmentation
- * Total pink pigmentation of nostrils
- * Black lambs
- * Surgical alterations other than redocking
- * Steep hip or tendency to show callipyge gene

MEDIUM WOOL BREED CHARACTERISTICS

This class generally includes the Suffolk and Hampshire breeds, plus all lambs that do not fit in Finewool, Finewool cross or Southdown breed divisions.

QUALITY LAMB CONTEST

San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Inc. \$2,350

SPECIAL RULES

A minimum of 31 wether lambs, including the Breed Champions, Reserve Breed Champions and all remaining first place lambs in each class of each breed, will be processed for information. These animals will be sold through the Junior Lamb Sale and processed as a group.

Minimum Standards

1. Minimum and maximum for carcass weight, 45 to 85 pounds, respectively. (Southdown Carcass: 40 to 75 pounds respectively)
2. Minimum and maximum adjusted fat thickness at the 12th rib, .10 inches to .25 inches, respectively.
3. Maximum USDA Yield Grade, 2.9.
4. Estimated percent boneless closely trimmed retail cuts from the leg, loin, rack and shoulder will be calculated and considered during final ranking.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \% \text{ BCTRC} &= 49.936 && - (0.0848 \times \text{Warm Carcass Wt., lb.}) \\
 &&& - (4.376 \times \text{Adj. Fat Thickness, in.}) \\
 &&& - (3.530 \times \text{Body Wall Thickness, in.}) \\
 &&& + (2.456 \times \text{Ribeye Area, in.}^2)
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5. Carcass must be of "Lamb Maturity."
6. Minimum USDA Quality Grade must be Choice-minus.
7. Carcass shall be free of serious bruises ("old" not recent), free of injection sites on the more valuable carcass parts - leg, loin, rack and shoulder (neck excluded) and free of any evidence of surgical altering of the live wether lamb.

Lambs achieving the above standards will be evaluated and placed by the official carcass judge.

QUALITY LAMB CONTEST PLACINGS & PREMIUMS

Grand Champion	Reserve Champion	3	4	5
\$700	\$500	\$450	\$400	\$300