



ENTRY INFORMATION

Entries: Online Only - <http://adco.fairentry.com>

- **Deadline: July 1, 2026**

Arrival: Check in and Health Check

- Monday, July 27: 4:30PM-8:30PM
 - Barn 3

Mandatory Barn Meeting: 8:45PM (4-H Tent)

Weigh-In: Monday, July 27: 4:30PM-8:30PM

- Immediately after health inspection

Judging: Wednesday - July 29

- 8:00AM
 - Bracing Showmanship

Departure:

- Sunday, August 2: 8:00AM
 - ALL animals must be released by Superintendent
 - Stalls must be cleaned of any/all shavings & manure before departure or \$50 fee.

Sheep Superintendent: Jennifer Sagar

Assistant Superintendent: Janet Cowdery

Extension Staff: Christina Seely

Entry Fees:

- \$10.00/entry for Carcass Contest
 - Pay cash day of show

Record Book:

- Livestock E-Record and any necessary supplements required.
 - Due the Friday before Labor Day.

RULES

1. Read 4-H General Rules
2. Read 4-H Livestock, Equine & Small Animal Rules
3. Sheep will be day stabled in Barn 2. Pens must be cleaned of any/all shavings & manure before departure or \$50 fee.
4. All lambs, ewes and rams must have all lamb teeth intact.
5. Sheep exhibiting characteristics and genetics of both wool and meat breeds will be placed in proper show according to Superintendent with consultation of Extension Agent.
6. Exhibitors must show all of their own animals. Exception: when an exhibitor has more than one animal in a class, only another Adams County 4-H member is eligible to assist in showing the second or other animals in class.
7. Exhibitors may use meshed or plastic muzzles. The style used must allow the animal to drink water.
8. Market lambs will not be shown in breeding classes, all animals are considered market once they cross the scale.
9. Market lambs must be sheared at the time of vet check to allow for visible inspection. Market lambs must be slick shorn (1/4" max) from the knees and hocks up by market weigh-in.

 **Sheep Project members who intend to exhibit their animals at the Adams County Fair must complete the following to remain eligible for fair entry and exhibition:**

	Enroll in the Sheep Project by enrollment deadline.
	Attend Meat Quality Assurance Training (MQA) annually.
	Complete and file an Animal Care and Housing Form (Primary Care) and turn form into Extension Office.
	Tag all market sheep at mandatory County Tag-in day.
	ID all animals in 4HOnline by June 1 deadline.
	Attend Livestock Record Book Interviews and present an up-to-date E-Record Book.
	Enter fair classes online by July 1 .
	Complete and turn in E-Record Book the Friday before Labor Day to the Extension Office. If a record book is not completed for each species exhibited, the member will forfeit premiums/awards and be ineligible to exhibit that species at the next year's Fair.

SHEEP

DIVISION: SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP-BRACING

Class: Senior Sheep Showmanship (14 years and older)
Class: Intermediate Sheep Showmanship (11-13 years)
Class: Junior Sheep Showmanship (8-10 years)

Wednesday July 29: 8:00AM (First Senior - Junior)

- Sheep members may only enter and compete in one showmanship class. Members will not be allowed to switch sheep showmanship class type after Fair check in.
- Bracing showmanship is open to any sheep type that the exhibitor deems is best exhibited in a bracing showmanship style. (ex. market, breeding wether ewes). This class will be judged based on a bracing showmanship style.
- Showmanship will be considered bracing when animals are always braced when not in motion.
- All animals entered in Showmanship must be eligible for at least 1 additional class at ADCO Fair.s

DIVISION: MARKET

Class: Market Sheep

Wednesday July 29: Following Challenge Showmanship

Weight Minimum: 100lbs
Weight Maximum: 165LBS

- Can check in a Max of 3 market animals at Fair
- Underweight sheep will be shown in feeder class. Sheep not meeting weight requirements are ineligible for Champion or Sale.
- Each exhibitor will be given a sale declaration card with instructions to declare online. This declaration designates which animal they would like to send to the Jr. Livestock Sale.
- Must be submitted to the Extension office no later than 9:00AM the day before the Sale (Friday).
- Late submissions will not be accepted
- All market lambs must weigh in during the scheduled weigh-in time to be eligible.
- Market lambs must be wethers or ewes. No intact or cryptorchid rams allowed. Male market animals must be wethered by spring tag-in.
- All market sheep must have a Federal Scrapie ID Tag in their ear by spring tag in.

DIVISION: SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP-NON-BRACING

Class: Senior Sheep Showmanship (14 years and older)
Class: Intermediate Sheep Showmanship (11-13 years)
Class: Junior Sheep Showmanship (8-10 years)

Wednesday July 29: Following Grand Market Drive

- Sheep members may only enter and compete in one showmanship class. Members will not be allowed to switch sheep showmanship class type after Fair check in.
- Non-bracing showmanship is open to any sheep type that the exhibitor deems is best exhibited in a non-bracing showmanship style. (ex. breeding, wool, dual purpose etc.). This class will be judged based on a non-bracing showmanship style.
- Showmanship will be considered non-bracing when animals are not braced when not in motion with the exception of perhaps when the judge handles the animal.
- All animals entered in Showmanship must be eligible for at least 1 additional class at ADCO Fair.

DIVISION: FUTURITY

Class: First Year
Class: Second Year
Class: Third Year

Wednesday July 29: Following Non-Bracing Showmanship

Purpose: This class is intended to promote the breeding sheep program. Members and exhibitors shall enter a breeding ewe with the intention of continuing to raise, breed and lamb as part of the 4-H project and program. Market animals are not eligible for this class.

RULES:

1. Limit one entry per exhibitor. All origins and breeds eligible for entry.
2. Lambs must have identification to allow them to be entered from year-to-year; this can be a producer's tag or a tattoo.
3. Lambs will be scanned for a microchip to prove identity in subsequent years.
4. Members are not required to have bred and owned the entered lamb, but must maintain ownership over subsequent years of entry.
5. Lambs to be judged based upon ability to produce offspring true to specific breed characteristics. Length of wool will not be judged.
6. Ewe's entered in Market Classes are not eligible. Once an animal crosses the scale it is considered a market animal.
7. After completion of first year, lambs must be identified for entry the following year. This is true for second to third year entries as well.
8. Second year ewes may or may not have lambs, third year should have lambs. Premiums will be given each year with a top premium to be awarded after Third Year Futurity placing. Based on the scoring determined below.
9. Live Placing Points: 1st=10 / 2nd=9 / 3rd=8 / 4th=7 / 5th=6 / 6th=5 / 7th=4 / 8th=3 / 9th=2 / 10th= 1 /
10. Year 3 Lamb Bonus = 5pts

SHEEP

DIVISION: PRODUCER

Class: Producer Animal

See ADCO 4-H Fair Exhibition: Special Animal Contests/Exhibits department for Producer Class details

Wednesday, July 29: Following Futurity

DIVISION: DORSET

- **Ram Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ram Yearling – Born before 7/30/2026**
- **Ewe Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ewe Yearling–Born before 7/30/2026**

Wednesday, July 29: Following Producer

- Milk teeth must be present
- Ram Yearling and Ewe Yearling can check in a Max of 1 per class.
- Ram Lamb and Ewe Lamb can check in a Max of 2 individuals per class

DIVISION: HAMPSHIRE

- **Ram Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ram Yearling – Born before 7/30/2026**
- **Ewe Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ewe Yearling–Born before 7/30/2026**

Wednesday, July 29: Following Dorset

- Milk teeth must be present
- Ram Yearling and Ewe Yearling can check in a Max of 1 per class.
- Ram Lamb and Ewe Lamb can check in a Max of 2 individuals per class

DIVISION: SUFFOLK

- **Ram Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ram Yearling – Born before 7/30/2026**
- **Ewe Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ewe Yearling–Born before 7/30/2026**

Wednesday, July 29: Following Hampshire

- Milk teeth must be present
- Ram Yearling and Ewe Yearling can check in a Max of 1 per class.
- Ram Lamb and Ewe Lamb can check in a Max of 2 individuals per class

DIVISION: SOUTHDOWN

- **Ram Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ram Yearling – Born before 7/30/2026**
- **Ewe Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ewe Yearling–Born before 7/30/2026**

Wednesday, July 29: Following Suffolk

- Milk teeth must be present
- Ram Yearling and Ewe Yearling can check in a Max of 1 per class.
- Ram Lamb and Ewe Lamb can check in a Max of 2 individuals per class

DIVISION: OTHER MEAT BREEDS

- **Ram Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ram Yearling – Born before 7/30/2026**
- **Ewe Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ewe Yearling–Born before 7/30/2026**

Wednesday, July 29: Following Southdown

- Milk teeth must be present
- Ram Yearling and Ewe Yearling can check in a Max of 1 per class.
- Ram Lamb and Ewe Lamb can check in a Max of 2 individuals per class

DIVISION: COLUMBIA

- **Ram Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ram Yearling – Born before 7/30/2026**
- **Ewe Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ewe Yearling–Born before 7/30/2026**

Wednesday, July 29: Following Other Meat Breeds

- Milk teeth must be present
- Ram Yearling and Ewe Yearling can check in a Max of 1 per class.
- Ram Lamb and Ewe Lamb can check in a Max of 2 individuals per class

DIVISION: JACOB

- **Ram Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ram Yearling – Born before 7/30/2026**
- **Ewe Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ewe Yearling–Born before 7/30/2026**

Wednesday, July 29: Following Columbia

- Milk teeth must be present
- Ram Yearling and Ewe Yearling can check in a Max of 1 per class.
- Ram Lamb and Ewe Lamb can check in a Max of 2 individuals per class

DIVISION: CORRIEDALE

- **Ram Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ram Yearling – Born before 7/30/2026**
- **Ewe Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025**
- **Ewe Yearling–Born before 7/30/2026**

Wednesday, July 29: Following Jacob

- Milk teeth must be present
- Ram Yearling and Ewe Yearling can check in a Max of 1 per class.
- Ram Lamb and Ewe Lamb can check in a Max of 2 individuals per class

SHEEP

DIVISION: RAMBOUILLET

- *Ram Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025*
- *Ram Yearling – Born before 7/30/2026*
- *Ewe Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025*
- *Ewe Yearling–Born before 7/30/2026*

Wednesday, July 29: Following Corriedale

- Milk teeth must be present
- Ram Yearling and Ewe Yearling can check in a Max of 1 per class.
- Ram Lamb and Ewe Lamb can check in a Max of 2 individuals per class

DIVISION: OTHER WOOL BREEDS

- *Ram Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025*
- *Ram Yearling – Born before 7/30/2026*
- *Ewe Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025*
- *Ewe Yearling–Born before 7/30/2026*

Wednesday, July 29: Following Rambouillet

- Milk teeth must be present
- Ram Yearling and Ewe Yearling can check in a Max of 1 per class.
- Ram Lamb and Ewe Lamb can check in a Max of 2 individuals per class

DIVISION: WHITE HANDSPINNING/NATURAL COLORED SHEEP

- *Ram Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025*
- *Ram Yearling – Born before 7/30/2026*
- *Ewe Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025*
- *Ewe Yearling–Born before 7/30/2026*

Wednesday, July 29: Following Other Wool Breeds

- Milk teeth must be present
- Ram Yearling and Ewe Yearling can check in a Max of 1 per class.
- Ram Lamb and Ewe Lamb can check in a Max of 2 individuals per class

DIVISION: SHOW LAMB–SLICK SHEARED

- *Ram Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025*
- *Ram Yearling – Born before 7/30/2026*
- *Ewe Lamb–Born after 7/30/2025*
- *Ewe Yearling–Born before 7/30/2026*

Wednesday, July 29: Following White Handspinning/Natural Colored Sheep

- Milk teeth must be present
- Ram Yearling and Ewe Yearling can check in a Max of 1 per class.
- Ram Lamb and Ewe Lamb can check in a Max of 2 individuals per class

DIVISION: BREEDING GROUP CLASSES

- *Pair of Ewe Lambs*
- *Pair of Ram Lambs*
- *Lamb Flock (1 Ram lamb, 2 ewe lambs)*

Wednesday, July 29: Following Show Lamb–Slick Sheared

- Milk teeth must be present
- Members can check in a Max of 1 set per class

DIVISION: SHEEP CARCASS CONTEST

Class: Sheep Carcass

Wednesday, July 29: 7:00PM
East side of Barn 2

- Animals must meet market weight minimums/maximums to qualify. Sonoray will be used to examine carcass.
- Animals entered in this class must have been identified as a project animal and exhibited at the county fair.
- \$10.00/entry for Carcass Contest (pay cash day of ultrasound)

DIVISION: RATE OF GAIN

Class: Rate of Gain

- The placing will be based on the weight gained between the spring weigh-in and the fair weigh-in.
- Animals must meet market weight minimums/maximums to qualify.
- Animals entered in this class must have been identified at the spring weigh-in and exhibited at the county fair.

DIVISION: PREMIER SHEEP EXHIBITOR

Class: Premier Sheep Exhibitor
Premier Exhibitor

See ADCO 4-H Fair Exhibition: Special Animal Contests/Exhibits department for premier exhibitor details

Class: Premier Sheep Exhibitor Test

Sunday August 2: 9:00AM
Waymire Dome

DIVISION: ANIMAL SCIENCE DISCOVERY (Static Exhibit)

Class: Junior (8–10)
Class: Intermediate (11–13)
Class: Senior (14–18)

Dropoff/Interview: Monday July 27: Waymire Dome
Release: Monday August 3: 4:00–7:00PM

- County only exhibit, does not qualify for Colorado State Fair
- See Animal Science Discovery under General Projects for exhibit requirements.