

MARKET LAMB

CATEGORY: A3 CLASS NUMBER: C3000

1. Weigh-in of market lambs will be Sunday, April 29, 2018 at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds from 1 pm to 3pm.
2. Exhibitors may weigh-in from one (1) to six (6) lambs.
3. Exhibitors are limited to two (2) entries in the market lamb class at the Lincoln County Fair.
4. **All market lambs must be born after January 1, 2018.** Only those animals that have lamb teeth will be eligible to show in the lamb classes.
5. Upon arrival at the fairgrounds, contact should be made with the livestock superintendent for the respective market division. Do not unload any animals until health papers have been checked or until given permission by superintendent or barn chairman. All livestock will be in place and ready to have final weigh-in according to the following schedule:
LAMBS: Tuesday morning. **All lambs must be in pens by 7:45 am** with final weigh-in beginning at 8am and ending by 9:30am.
6. ALL MARKET LAMBS MUST BE SLICK-SHEARED AT THE TIME OF ARRIVAL AT THE FAIRGROUNDS. Market lambs must be slick sheared at the time of show, including all areas above hock-knee and from the ears back.
7. Market lambs will be shown at the fair on Wednesday at 5:30pm. Classes will be divided into groups by weight. Market Lambs will be weighed only one time. All lambs (4-H and FFA) will show together.
8. Lambs must weight a minimum of 90 pounds to show and sell at the fair.
9. Muzzles will not be allowed on market lambs.
10. Abuse of animals: Should any physical abuse be observed toward an animal, either in the barn or in the show ring, the superintendent has the authority to eliminate show animal and exhibitor from the show.
11. No ice, ice water, or alcohol may be used externally or internally as a fitting practice for 4-H/FFA market lambs.
12. There will be no withholding of water at any time animals are housed on the fairgrounds.
13. Pumping of any species, unless under a veterinarian's supervision, will not be allowed.
14. Once a lamb has been led into the show holding area, no additional grooming/clipping by show assistants will be allowed. The class closes when the first animal on the class list enters the ring. Late animals will be classified into one of the three award areas and awarded prize money but will not be eligible for championship drives.
15. Animals are to be groomed/clipped by the 4-H or FFA lamb exhibitor with assistance from the immediate family or other 4-H or FFA lamb exhibitors only.
16. Sheep showmanship winners will be selected during the 4-H and FFA market lamb shows.

17. Showing:
 - a. All 4-H/FFA shows will have an exhibitor meeting prior to the show.
 - b. Owners must exhibit animals registered in their names. Barn Chairman may permit another Lincoln County junior exhibitor to show an animal if one exhibitor owns two animals in the same class or in case of illness or physical handicap. Assistance may be allowed in placing feet and control of the animal in emergency situations. Assistant must be another Lincoln County Junior exhibitor.
 - c. After a class has been placed in the show ring, officials, included the judge, reserve the right to re-inspect any animal.
18. When a judge is handling lambs or when you are waiting to be judged, all four (4) feet must be on the ground. It is acceptable to briefly lift the front end of a lamb off the ground to set the front feet.
19. A Herdsman Award will be presented to the 4-H or FFA sheep exhibitor who presents the best-kept pen area. An anonymous donor makes the award possible. The Herdsman Award is based on observations from Tuesday through Thursday of the fair, the time when the market lambs are in the barn.
 - a. The Herdsman Award will be in two categories, ages 13 and under and age 14 and above.
 - b. Pen areas are to be kept neat and clean according to the livestock committee rules.
 - c. The pen presentation will be observed with attention given to signs and information given as to exhibitor and breed.
 - d. The care and handling of animals will be observed while the animals are both in the pens and as grooming is being done.
 - e. Assistance given to other sheep exhibitors will also be observed as part of this award.
20. Sheep project meetings are held the third Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Lincoln County Extension Center, 800 West College, Troy, MO 63379. **Meetings are *not* held in December, July, and August.**
21. As part of the Livestock Exhibitor Agreement, every exhibitor is responsible for working a minimum of one (1) work night per livestock project area. (Example: if enrolled in Lamb and Steer you will be responsible to work on the lamb work night and the steer work night.) The work night scheduled by your 4-H club or FFA Chapter does not count as a livestock work night as it is counted as a club meeting night to meet the requirement for club attendance. Work nights for the market lamb project are May 16 and June 20.
22. Show Me Quality Assurance meetings will be held for members at a date to be determined. The Show Me Quality Assurance is a STATE rule requiring certification from all exhibitors.
23. All Market Lamb exhibitors are required to remain in the barn until sale is finished and you are released by the sheep barn committee – Sharon, Lee, Jamie, and Tricia.