199 Sheep Breeding

All dates are listed on the Tuscarawas County Fair Livestock Requirement Summary.

1. All livestock projects must be owned, in continual care of the exhibitor, and registered by specified dates. An exhibitor is eligible to register a back-up animal. Sheep used as project shall either be owned by the member or his/her immediate family during the project year. There are no replacement animals permitted after registration.

2. All members must have a working knowledge of Sheep Quality Assurance (QA) issues and are required to attend one QA session.

3. All livestock exhibitors are required to attend Interview Judging in order to exhibit their animal at the Tuscarawas County Fair. Interview judging in this project will reflect individual’s project experience. Members are to bring completed (to date of Interview Judging) 199 Sheep Breeding Project and Record Book. If a conflict arises, a member may attend Pre-Judging by appointment only. Members are not eligible for county interview placing if they attend Pre-Judging.

4. Member should know for Interview Judging:
   - The Pillars of Character, 4-H Pledge, 4-H Motto, and 4-H Colors.
   - Be able to explain how you determine the age of sheep based on their teeth.
   - Be able to explain what you should look for (qualities) of a good breeding sheep.
   - Be able to explain several management steps included in a yearly calendar for the management of a breeding ewe.
   - Be able to explain the gestation range for ewes.
   - Be able to discuss several management procedures for the newborn lamb.

5. Please add a feed tag each time you change feed.

6. NO LATE FAIR ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED. In order to exhibit your animal at the Tuscarawas County Fair, a fair entry must be made (available from the Tuscarawas County Fair Book received at Interview Judging) and submitted to the Extension office by the deadline.

7. Members must show their own animals in conformation classes unless an emergency arises and a written permission form must be granted by the 4-H professional. The form must be on file during the show. Only another Jr. Fair exhibitor can then exhibit that animal.

8. Showmanship Classes will be held immediately following conformation classes and is open to all Jr. Fair livestock exhibitors. No pre-entry is required and classes are determined by member’s age as of January 1 of current year. Members must fit and show his/her own project animal but during the course of the contest may be asked by the judge to show some other animal. Showmen are not allowed to have any helpers in the ring during the contest. The fair book will give specific classes and further explanations.

9. Members can only exhibit two (2) large animal projects which must be in different classes as indicated in the Tuscarawas County Fair Book. Members taking feeder calf, beef breeding, sheep breeding, or horse production may exhibit a third animal if they are enrolled in the corresponding market/horse project. Members are only eligible to receive money from a maximum of two revenue generating livestock sale projects at the fair, regardless of number shown.
10. All fair exhibitors are responsible to provide their own bedding for their animals and all pens MUST be kept dry and clean throughout the fair. Water must be available for your animal at all times. Following the loading out of animals, all exhibitors are responsible for a thorough cleaning of their pen. Make sure ear tag is clean and readable!

If you have any questions regarding your project and your advisor is unable to answer your questions, please don’t hesitate to contact the Extension office at 330-339-2337.
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