

## **WALKING FLEECE**

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Premiums: A=\$3; B=\$2; C=No Premiums

**Judging: Monday at 2:00 p.m.**

Location: Beef Arena

**Set Up: Friday from 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

**Check in: Sunday between 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.**

**See Livestock Rules and Regulations & Livestock Care Agreement**

### **Project Requirements**

1. All lambs/sheep are required to have official identification according to MDARD's Exhibition requirements for the current year.
2. Grand Champion Showman will compete in Sheep for Sweepstakes Showmanship.
3. No rams over 1 year old allowed on fairgrounds.
4. Exhibitors are required to bring their own gate latches, hay feeders and water buckets. Hay feeders & water buckets must be secured to the fence with gate latches. Absolutely no feeding of hay or grain on the ground. Grain feeders must be removed from pen by 10:00 a.m.
5. Exhibitors must provide materials for their animal's pen(s) to prevent the horns on their animals from getting stuck in the fencing and to prevent them from injuring sheep in adjoining pens.
6. Straw bedding only.
7. Animals may be shown in a halter.
8. Showmanship attire: dark pants, collared shirt and protective footwear. **Showmanship is mandatory for all exhibitors.**
9. Judging will be 40% fleece and 60% conformation (except best "Fleece on Hoof" which is judged 100% on wool).
10. Classes may be divided/combined at the Superintendent's discretion.
11. Exhibitors **MUST** complete a Fiber Project or Animal Science Project related to fiber sheep. This is a mandatory requirement. Note: Exhibitors who exhibited Animal Science at Winter Achievement are exempt from the Sheep Poster requirement.
12. **Each exhibitor must do 1 hour of barn duty.**

### **DIVISION 1601 - SHOWMANSHIP**

**Class 01** – Sr. Showmanship, 15 yrs. & older

**Class 02** – Intermediate Showmanship, 12-14 yr. olds

**Class 03** – Young Showmanship 8-11 yr. olds.

**\*\*Overall Grand Showmanship. No Premiums. Grand Champion only to compete with Grand Champions from Sheep for Sweepstakes Showmanship.**

**Class 04-** Clover Sprouts Walking Fleece Showmanship **with animal** (ages 5-7 yrs. old as of Jan. 1 only). Exhibitor is bringing their animal to the fair.

**Class 05-** Clover Sprouts Walking Fleece Showmanship **without animal** (ages 5-7 yrs. old as of Jan. 1 only) with exhibitor borrowing an animal from another exhibitor.

### **DIVISION 1602 – WOOL BREEDS - Ewes**

**Class 06** – Aged Ewe – 2 yrs. and older

**Class 07** – Yearling Ewe – 1 year and under 2 years

**Class 08** – Ewe Lamb – under 1 year

**\*\*Grand & Reserve Champion**

### **DIVISION 1603 – WOOL BREEDS - RAMS**

**Class 10** – Ram Lamb – under 1 year of age

**\*\*Grand & Reserve Champion**

### **DIVISION 1604 - WOOL BREEDS - WETHERS**

**Class 11** –Wether - 1 Year and older

**Class 12** – Wether Lamb – under one year

**\*\*Grand & Reserve Champion**

### **DIVISION 1607 – CLOVER SPROUTS BREEDING STOCK**

**All Clover Sprout Breeding Stock shown in same class regardless of sex of animal.**

**Class 15-** Clover Sprouts Walking Fleece Breeding Stock **with animal** (ages 5-7 yrs. old as of Jan. 1 only). Exhibitor is bringing their animal to the fair.

**Class 16-** Clover Sprouts Walking Fleece Breeding Stock **without animal** (ages 5-7 yrs. old as of Jan. 1 only) with exhibitor borrowing an animal from another exhibitor.

### **DIVISION 1605 – BEST OF FLEECE ON HOOF**

**Class 13** – All exhibitors may enter, only one entry per exhibitor

**\*\*Overall Grand Champion Trophy**

### **CLUB AWARDS**

\$25 Award for best decorated display, judged on cleanliness, decorations & educational display. Decorations must be in place by 10:00 a.m. Monday of fair.

**Club must fill out an online entry in order to be paid awards.**

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