



2023 Hillsborough County Fair Breeding Sheep Show

November 2-12, 2023

Hillsborough County Fair Grounds- 215 Sydney Washer Rd., Dover, FL 33527

Entries Due: October 1st, 2023

Check-in: November 6th, 2023, 9-11am

Meeting to follow check-in

Costume Contest: November 6th at 7:30 PM

Show and Showmanship: November 8th @ 6PM. Showmanship followed by show.

Contact Information for Committee:

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Please be sure to also read the “General Livestock Rules of the Hillsborough County Fair”

Eligibility

1. To be eligible to show in the 2023 Hillsborough County Fair, youth must be in grades K-12 and either enrolled in Hillsborough County Public or Private Schools, homeschooled in Hillsborough County, or a member of Hillsborough County 4-H or FFA (see specie rules for specific age requirements). Though we encourage all youth to be involved in the 4-H or FFA programs, it is not required if all other eligibility requirements are met.
Ages will be determined as of September 1, 2023
Novice 5-7 years old
Junior 8-10 years old
Intermediate 11-13 years old
Senior 14-18 years old
2. The number of entries will be limited to 6 sheep per exhibitor.
3. A non-refundable \$10 entry fee is required by each exhibitor for each sheep that must be paid at the time of entry. You must register in a class, not just showmanship.

General

1. Chapter and Club animals will be permitted, please also include chapter showman’s name, date of birth, and shirt size.
2. Scrapie tags or micro-chips are required and must be documented on the OCVI (health paper), which is not to be more than 90 days old. (If your animals have a micro-chip, bring the appropriate scanner.)
3. The state health inspector will be on-site and has the final decision on whether animals satisfy all health requirements.
4. Shavings are provided by the Fair and you are permitted to bring additional shavings for your pens.
5. Sheep should arrive in good condition. Shearing, trimming, and grooming may be done on-site.
6. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to keep their animals’ area clean and make sure their animals are fed and watered regularly.

7. Filling of sheep with unnatural substances is prohibited.

Show and Showmanship

1. The show will begin at 6PM on November 8th.
2. Exhibitors will wear Official FFA or 4-H Dress or other dress as deemed by the Committee.
3. Showmanship Awards will be given to the top three exhibitors in each age category.
4. Pee Wee Showmanship will be for children up to 5 years old and a sign-up sheet will be provided the day of the show (pee wee showmen will use another exhibitors' sheep)
5. Sheep will be placed in classes according to their breed and age. The committee reserves the right to cancel or combine classes for the benefit of the show.
 - Black Face Breeds – Hamp, Oxford, Suffolk, and any other sheep primarily of these crosses
 - White Face Breeds – Southdown, Dorset, Columbia, and any other sheep primarily of these crosses
 - AOB Breeds – Baby Doll Southdowns, and any other sheep primarily of these crosses

Breeding Sheep Classes for Ewes and Rams are as follows

- Late Spring Lambs – Born March 1, 2023 thru August 31, 2023
 - Early Spring Lambs – Born November 1, 2022 thru February 28, 2023
 - Yearling Lambs – Born November 1, 2021 thru October 31, 2022
 - Two Year Olds – Born November 1, 2020 thru October 31, 2021
 - Three Year Olds – Born November 1, 2019 thru October 31, 2020
 - Aged - Born before October 31, 2019 and less than 7 years old
7. If an exhibitor has more than one animal in a class, it is their responsibility to have another exhibitor show their animal.
 8. Exhibitors are responsible for getting to the ring on time.
 9. Exhibitors may use the help of another exhibitor to set feet.
 10. A Grand and Reserve Champion Ewe and Ram will be selected from each division and a Supreme Animal will also be selected.

Premiums for Composition Classes: 1st - \$20, 2nd - \$15, 3rd - \$10 (*subject to change)

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Final interpretations of all the above rules will be made by the Hillsborough County Fair Breeding Sheep Show Committee and all decisions are final.