

# 2024 COLORADO STATE FAIR OPEN NATURAL COLORED & WHITE HANDSPINNING SHEEP

DIVISION (see specific breed)

DEPARTMENT 940

Entry Fee \$15 per entry

Entries Close ..... Monday, July 29<sup>th</sup>  
Begin Arrival: ..... Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 a.m.  
In Place: ..... Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 p.m.  
Wool Fleece Show: ..... Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> @ 12:00 noon  
Wool Breeds Show: ..... Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 a.m.  
Meat Breeds Show: ..... Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> following Wool Breed Show  
Begin Release: ..... At completion of show  
All Out: ..... Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m.

## Competition Requirements:

1. All entrants must have read and be familiar with the Colorado State Fair General Competition Requirements, General Livestock Competition Requirements, Colorado State Fair Exhibitor Code of Conduct, Animal Welfare Policy, and Health Requirements. When applicable all association rules shall apply.
2. All exhibitors in Open, Junior Breeding and Market shows must submit a premises identification (PID) number at entry. PID may be obtained by calling 303-869-9130 or online at <https://ag.colorado.gov/animals/colorado-location-identification-lid-registration-premises>.
3. Bedding: Exhibitors are responsible for their own livestock bedding. Entry into competition at the Colorado State Fair and Industrial Exposition ("CSF") does not include bedding.

Straw may only be used for dairy cattle, dairy goats, breeding sheep, and open breeding cattle tie-outs. All other uses of straw are prohibited.

Exhibitors may pre-order bedding and shavings through Rustic Ranch supply or bedding and shavings will be available to purchase on-grounds from Rustic Ranch Supply upon arrival. The telephone number and order portal will be posted on the Fair's website.

### **Outside bedding for livestock exhibitors is permitted.**

4. Original registration papers or ownership certificates must be available for inspection at the show. To be eligible to show, all sheep must be registered in their respective breed associations and bear the proper breed association ear tags where applicable.
5. This division will be divided into two (2) categories based on foundation or origin of color in the sheep and two (2) categories in White Handspinning Sheep.

6. Category I Long Wools/Carpet: Wool grading 48's and coarser, sheep that are descendants of Lincoln, Romney, Border Leicester Jacob, Karakul, Navajo and Churro.
7. Category II Medium and Fine Wool: All sheep descendants of dual-purpose meat breeds, i.e., Corriedale, Columbia, Rambouillet, Hampshire or any other breed with wool grading 50's or finer.
8. Animal Preparation: for Category I sheep, wool length is expected to be two (2) inches or longer, except in young lambs. Sheep may be trimmed, tipped, or fuzzed-off, but not blocked. Bellies, heads, lower legs, and dock area may have wool of any length preferred by Exhibitor, but wool must not be trimmed or blocked to unequal lengths on chest, back, shoulder, sides, or britch area. Wool must be free of excessive contamination, manure, paint, permanent stains, wool rot, breaks or tenderness, and coting. These problems will be penalized according to their severity. Category II sheep (which includes Fine and Medium breeds) may be fitted to breeder preference while maintaining the quality of the fleece to be evaluated.
9. All sheep will be judged 40% on conformation and 60% on wool. All Natural Colored sheep must be 35% colored.
10. All sheep must be shorn after August 1, 2024.
11. ENTRY NUMBERS: Each entry will be assigned a number. Entry numbers will be provided to all exhibitors. These numbers must be displayed by the exhibitor when the animal is in the show ring.
12. There is no limit to the number of animals an exhibitor may enter in this show or in any one class. Premiums will be paid in accordance with the premium schedule listed in this division.
13. Ribbons and premiums will be awarded 1<sup>st</sup> through 6th place in all individual classes.

### **CLASSES AND DIVISIONS**

<b>NATURAL COLORED (FINE &amp; MEDIUM)</b>	<b>DIVISION 940.012</b>
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4020. Ram born before December 1, 2022
4021. Winter Ram Lamb born December 1 2022 – February 28, 2023
4022. Spring Ram Lamb born March 1, 2023 and after
4023. Pair of Ram Lambs
4024. CHAMPION RAM
4025. RESERVE CHAMPION RAM
4026. Ewe born before December 1, 2022
4027. Fall Ewe Lamb
4028. Winter Ewe Lamb born December 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023
4029. Spring Ewe Lamb born March 1, 2023 and after
4030. Pair of Ewe Lambs
4031. Pair of Ewe Lambs 1 yr. and over
4032. Pen of 3 Lambs

- 4033. CHAMPION EWE
- 4034. RESERVE CHAMPION EWE
- 4035. Best Four Head (four animals, both sexes represented)
- 4036. Flock (one ram, two ewes, 2 ewe lambs)

**NATURAL COLORED (LONG WOOL & CARPET)**

**DIVISION 940.013**

- 4040. Ram born before December 1, 2022
- 4041. Winter Ram Lamb born December 1 2022 – February 28, 2023
- 4042. Spring Ram Lamb born March 1, 2023 and after
- 4043. Pair of Ram Lambs
- 4044. CHAMPION RAM
- 4045. RESERVE CHAMPION RAM
- 4046. Ewe born before December 1, 2022
- 4047. Winter Ewe Lamb born December 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023
- 4048. Spring Ewe Lamb born March 1, 2023 and after
- 4049. Pair of Ewe Lambs
- 4050. CHAMPION EWE
- 4051. RESERVE CHAMPION EWE
- 4052. Best Four Head (four animals, both sexes represented)
- 4053. Flock (one ram, two ewes, 2 ewe lambs)

**WHITE HANDSPINNING (FINE & MEDIUM)**

**DIVISION 940.015**

- 4080. Ram born before December 1, 2022
- 4081. Winter Ram Lamb born December 1 2022 – February 28, 2023
- 4082. Spring Ram Lamb born March 1, 2023 and after
- 4083. Pair of Ram Lambs
- 4084. CHAMPION RAM
- 4085. RESERVE CHAMPION RAM
- 4086. Ewe born before December 1, 2022
- 4087. Winter Ewe Lamb born December 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023
- 4088. Spring Ewe Lamb born March 1, 2023 and after
- 4089. Pair of Ewe Lambs
- 4090. CHAMPION EWE
- 4091. RESERVE CHAMPION EWE
- 4092. Best Four Head (four animals, both sexes represented)
- 4093. Flock (one ram, two ewes, 2 ewe lambs)

**WHITE HANDSPINNING (LONG WOOL & CARPET)**

**DIVISION 940.016**

- 4060. Ram born before December 1, 2022
- 4061. Winter Ram Lamb born December 1 2022 – February 28, 2023
- 4062. Spring Ram Lamb born March 1, 2023 and after
- 4063. Pair of Ram Lambs
- 4064. CHAMPION RAM
- 4065. RESERVE CHAMPION RAM
- 4066. Ewe born before December 1, 2022
- 4067. Winter Ewe Lamb born December 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023
- 4068. Spring Ewe Lamb born March 1, 2023 and after

- 4069. Pair of Ewe Lambs
- 4070. CHAMPION EWE
- 4071. RESERVE CHAMPION EWE
- 4072. Best Four Head (four animals, both sexes represented)
- 44073. Flock (one ram, two ewes, 2 ewe lambs)

**GROUP CLASSIFICATIONS (no entry fee required):**

Pen of 3: Both Sexes represented (2 rams, 1 Ewe or 2 Ewes, 1 Ram)

Best Four Head: 4 Animals any age, both sexes represented. All must have shown in individual classes

Flock: 1 Ram any age, 2 Yearling Ewes, and 2 Ewe Lambs. All must have shown in individual classes.

**PREMIUM SCHEDULE:**

No. of Entries	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>6th</u>
1	22					
2-3	26	18	14			
4-5	30	22	18	14		
6-7	34	26	22	18	14	
8-9	38	30	26	22	18	
10-11	42	34	30	26	22	18
12-14	46	38	34	30	26	22
15 & up	50	42	38	34	30	26

<b>DIVISION 100</b>	<b>SUPREME CHAMPION SELECTION</b>
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- 4000. SUPREME CHAMPION NATURAL COLORED RAM
- 4001. SUPREME CHAMPION NATURAL COLORED EWE
- 4002. SUPREME CHAMPION WHITE HANDSPINNING RAM
- 4003. SUPREME CHAMPION WHITE HANDSPINNING EWE  
(Supremes are selected from Champion Rams and Champion Ewes of all breeds)
- 4004. PREMIER EXHIBITOR (NATURAL COLORED)
- 4005. PREMIER EXHIBITOR (WHITE HANDSPINNING)

**PREMIER EXHIBITOR:** An award will be given in each breed of the Open Breeding Sheep section to the exhibitor accumulating the most points on six animals or less, owned and exhibited by him/herself in individual classes. Group classes are not considered. In the event of a tie, the winner will be the exhibitor: (1) Earning points in the greatest number of classes; (2) Winning the most first places; (3) Winning the most second places, etc.

Points will be awarded as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> place .....	5 points
2 <sup>nd</sup> place.....	4 points
3 <sup>rd</sup> place.....	3 points
4 <sup>th</sup> place.....	2 points
5 <sup>th</sup> place.....	1 point

Champion.....8 points  
Res Champion..... 6 points