

# Colorado State Fair and Industrial Exposition

## 2026 Wool Fleece Show

- Division: See Individual Breeds
- Department 941
- Entry Fee: \$5.00 per entry
- \$1,480 In Premiums

Entries Close:	Monday, August 10 <sup>th</sup>
Begin Delivery of Fleece:	Monday, August 17 <sup>th</sup>
All Fleece Received:	Friday, August 21 <sup>st</sup> at 12:00 noon
Set-Up:	Monday, August 31 <sup>st</sup> at 8:00 am
Show:	Tuesday, September 1 <sup>st</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

## Competition Requirements

1. All entrants must have read and be familiar with the General Competition Requirements, Livestock and Small Animal Competition Requirements, Colorado State Fair Exhibitor Code of Conduct, and Livestock Health Requirements. When applicable, all association rules shall apply.
2. All entrants for livestock exhibited in Open, Breed, or Market competitions must provide a premises identification (PID) number at entry. To obtain a PID, contact the Colorado Department of Agriculture at 303-869-9130 or click on the following link:  
<https://ag.colorado.gov/animals/colorado-location-identification-lid-registration-premises>
3. Any wool grower is eligible to enter fleeces; however, fleeces must be entered in the grower's name.

4. Fleeces may be delivered or shipped pre-paid any time after August 18th and will be stored at no charge to exhibitors. Early fleece deliveries are encouraged. All fleeces must be on the grounds by Friday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:00 noon.
5. Entry fees must accompany entry. There is no limit to the number of fleeces an exhibitor may enter in this show or in any one of these classes. Premiums will be paid according to the premium schedule listed in this division. No fleece may be shown in more than one class. Wool exhibitors who will not attend the show are not required to buy exhibitor passes.
6. Eligible fleeces must:
  - a. Be fleeces shorn in 2025 and 2026
  - b. Represent not more than a 12-month growth, except that in the case of yearlings, a 16-month growth will be allowed. Management reserves the right to inspect any fleece to determine eligibility. Fleeces determined to be over-age or containing parts of other fleeces will be disqualified, and exhibitors will forfeit entry fees.
7. Penalties will be assessed against qualifying fleeces if any of the following are found:
  - a. Showing any paint or tar brands (soluble branding fluids permitted)
  - b. Showing excessive dung locks or tags
  - c. Discolored by excessive moisture or cotted
  - d. Showing a weak staple or break in the fiber
  - e. Contains excessive burrs or other vegetable matter.
8. Prepared fleeces should be rolled flesh side out so that they can be handled without falling apart. Exhibitors should pack fleeces rather loosely in clear plastic bags so as not to impair their character or attractiveness.
9. Each fleece received must be tagged with the following information: name and address of exhibitor, breed, number of months' growth, and division.
10. No early releases will be permitted. The sale and release of wools will be handled as follows:

- a. Bids will be received on white wools, acceptable to the commercial wool trade as a group and sold based on grade. Wool will be shipped following the show, and the proceeds will be returned to the exhibitor.
  - b. White Handspinning wool fleeces may be sold individually by the exhibitor and released at the close of the show to the exhibitor or the purchaser ONLY with the properly signed statement of sale and approval of release by the exhibitor;
  - c. All wool marked "Not for Sale" on entry and any other fleeces unacceptable to the commercial wool trade will be released to the exhibitor at the show's close. Wool must be picked up by Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. Contact the Livestock office for details.
11. Management reserves the right to combine classes if the number of entries in any individual class does not warrant a separate class and to place entries in appropriate classes and divisions as necessary.
12. Ribbons awarded in each class 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> place.
13. Remember: When entering fleeces, designate only the Division number, the class number and sex: (Example: Division 11 class 3960 Ewe or Ram). The Superintendents will classify according to the classes listed below before the day of show.
14. Enter only these divisions with class number

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<b>Ewe or Ram Fleece - Class # Do Not Enter (Official Use Only)</b>	<b>Div. No 11 White Commercial 3960</b>	<b>Div. No 12 White Handspinning 3961</b>	<b>Div. No 13 Variegated/Solid Color 3962</b>
70's & Finer (Fine Blood) Combing – Ewe	3940	3900	3920
64's & Finer (Fine Blood) Combing - Ewe Fleece	3941	3901	3921
64's & Finer (Fine Blood) Combing - Ram Fleece	3942	3902	3922
62's (1/2 Blood) Combing - Ewe Fleece	3943	3903	3923
60's (1/2 Blood) Combing - Ewe Fleece	3944	3904	3924
60's - 62's (1/2 Blood) Combing - Ram Fleece	3945	3905	3925
58's (3/8 Blood) Combing - Ewe Fleece	3946	3906	3926
56's (3/8 Blood) Combing - Ewe Fleece	3947	3907	3927
56's - 58's (3/8 Blood) Combing - Ram Fleece	3948	3908	3928
50's - 54's (1/4 Blood) Combing - Ewe Fleece	3949	3909	3929
50's - 54's (1/4 Blood) Combing - Ram Fleece	3950	3910	3930
36's - 48's (low 1/4 Blood & Common) Combing - Ewe Fleece	3951	3911	3931
36's - 48's (low 1/4 Blood & Common) Combing - Ram Fleece	3952	3912	3932
Coarser than 36's (Hairlike) Combing - Ewe Fleece	3953	3913	3933
Coarser than 36's (Hairlike) Combing - Ram Fleece	3954	3914	3934
Champion Ewe Fleece	3955	3915	3935

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Res. Champion Ewe Fleece	3956	3916	3936
Champion Ram Fleece	3957	3917	3937
Res. Champion Ram Fleece	3958	3918	3938

## Premium Schedule

<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>5th</b>	<b>6th</b>
\$15	\$11	\$8	\$6	\$5	\$5

### Champion Ewe Fleece in Each Division

- \$7.50
- Rosette by Colorado State Fair Authority

### Reserve Champion Ewe Fleece in Each Division

- \$5.00
- Rosette by Colorado State Fair Authority

### Champion Ram Fleece in Each Division

- \$7.50
- Rosette by Colorado State Fair Authority

### Reserve Champion Ram Fleece in Each Division

- \$5.00

- Rosette by Colorado State Fair Authority

## **Supreme Champion Selection Division 100**

### **3998. Supreme Champion Fleece**

- \$20 cash award
- Banner by Colorado State Fair Authority

### **3999. Reserve Supreme Champion Fleece**

- \$10 cash award
- Rosette by Colorado State Fair Authority