

# OPEN WOOL SHOW

**Be sure to refer to all applicable state and local rules for the divisions you enter!**

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## **Entry Deadline: August 27, 2023 – 5pm**

Entry Fee: \$3.00 per entry

Limit: Two (2) fleeces per class per exhibitor

Exhibits Received: Tuesday, Sept. 19, 5pm – 8pm.

Location Received: Floriculture Building

Exhibits Released: Monday, October 2, 2 - 7 p.m.

American System of Judging

(State Rule IV #6a, c)

## RULES:

1. Fleeces shall not be more than 12 months' growth. The definition of "12 months" shall be the definition commonly accepted by the wool trade; thus, if fleece is actually slightly more than 12 months' growth due to unavoidable delay in obtaining shears, or by weather, it shall be termed "12 month" wool.
2. **The exhibitor showing the fleece must be the primary care provider and/or trainer of the animal that provided the fleece. The exhibitor does not have to own the animal to show the fleece, but they must own the fleece.**
3. It is recommended the animal be cleaned before shearing and the shearing be completed on a clean surface such as a tarp to prevent contamination.
4. Shampoo, cream rinse or other chemical residue shall not be applied prior to or after shearing. Residue of grooming product will cause disqualification of fleece.
5. Fleece should be appropriately clean. It **MUST NOT** be washed after shearing. Washing a shorn fleece will be cause for disqualification.
6. Fleece must be completely dry and free of mold and mildew when entered.
7. The fleece may be skirted. (etc... leg, neck, belly wool removed from fleece) Only prime fiber needs to be entered.
8. A picture of the animal (before or after shearing) must be submitted. This picture may be used to help with wool classification.
9. Additional pictures of the exhibitor with the animal before and after shearing would be appreciated. These pictures will be used as part of the wool display and will not be seen by the judge prior to judging. Pictures may be submitted in digital format which is preferred.
10. A card with the following information will be completed and displayed by the exhibitor and displayed with each fleece. If exact dates are not known be as accurate as possible.

Class:

Birthdate of animal:

Gender of animal:

Breed and type of animal:

Shearing date:

Previous shearing date:

Months of fleece growth:

Name of Owner:

**PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS:**      1st - \$5      2nd - \$3      3rd - \$2

## **DIVISION 1 Wool Sheep**

CLASS:

1. Meat Breeds (fleece sheared from animal with an age of 24 months and under)
2. Meat Breeds (fleece sheared from animal with an age of 25 months and over)
3. Cross Breeds (fleece sheared from animal with an age of 24 months and under)
4. Cross Breeds (fleece sheared from animal with an age of 25 months and over)
5. Wool Breeds (fleece sheared from animal with an age of 24 months and under)
6. Wool Breeds (fleece sheared from animal with an age of 25 months and over)
7. Natural Colored Fleeces (fleece sheared from animal with an age of 24 months and under)
8. Natural Colored Fleeces (fleece sheared from animal with an age of 25 months and over)

## **DIVISION 2 Wool Llama**

Class:

1. Suri Coat (fleece sheared from animal at 24 months and under)
2. Suri Coat (fleece sheared from animal at 25 months and above)
3. Single Coat (fleece sheared from animal at 24 months and under)
4. Single Coat (fleece sheared from animal at 25 months and above)
5. Double Coat (fleece sheared from animal at 24 months and under)
6. Double Coat (fleece sheared from animal at 25 months and above)

## **DIVISION 3 Wool Alpaca**

Class:

1. Huacaya light wool (fleece sheared from animal at 24 months and under)
2. Huacaya light wool (fleece sheared from animal at 25 months and above)
3. Huacaya dark wool (fleece sheared from animal at 24 months and under)
4. Huacaya dark wool (fleece sheared from animal at 25 months and above)
5. Huacaya combination colors (fleece sheared from animal at 24 months and under)
6. Huacaya combination colors (fleece sheared from animal at 25 months and above)
7. Suri Alpaca light wool (fleece sheared from animal at 24 months and under)
8. Suri Alpaca light wool (fleece sheared from animal at 25 months and above)
9. Suri Alpaca dark wool (fleece sheared from animal at 24 months and under)
10. Suri Alpaca dark wool (fleece sheared from animal at 25 months and above)
11. Suri Alpaca combination colors (fleece sheared from animal at 24 months and under)
12. Suri Alpaca combination colors (fleece sheared from animal at 25 months and above)

## **DIVISION 4 Wool Fiber Art 18 yrs. and over**

## **DIVISION 5 Wool Fiber Art 17 yrs. and under**

Rules: Must use wool fiber from animals the exhibitor helped to raise. A card must be included noting the different materials used and each animal the wool came from. Fiber may be natural or dyed. Item must be constructed by the exhibitor during the project year.

CLASSES for Divisions 4 & 5 are the same

1. Needle Felting – 100 % wool, all same animal - simple project
2. Needle Felting – 100 % wool, all same animal - complex project
3. Needle Felting – 100 % wool, combination of animals (all sheep or all llama is OK) – simple project
4. Needle Felting – 100 % wool, combination of animals (all sheep or all llama is OK) – complex project
5. Needle Felting – Combination of manmade and natural wool fibers. – simple project
6. Needle Felting – Combination of manmade and natural wool fibers. – complex project
7. Wet felting – simple project
8. Wet felting – complex project
9. Other Art - using 100% wool fiber – simple project
10. Other Art – using 100% wool fiber – complex project
11. Other art – using a combination of manmade and natural wool fibers – complex project.