Fleece Show

The Massachusetts Fleece Show Rules and Regulations

New this year, you have the option to submit your entry and payment online or by mail. Late fees still apply.

Fleeces may be entered into competition and placed for sale or entered into competition only.

NEW THIS YEAR – The limit per farm/producer will be 8 fleeces total. There is no per-class limit.

The Massachusetts Sheep and Woolcraft Fair will act as a broker for the fleece sale and a 10% commission will be collected by the fair at the time of sale. You have the option to submit your fleece entry and payment online or by mail. Late fees still apply. As you know, fleece drop off is very hectic. Please pre-enter your fleeces to save time and confusion when dropping off.

Deadline for entries is May 15

Premiums will be paid on a point basis to Massachusetts residents and out-of-state exhibitors as funds become available.

Please pre-enter fleeces by filling out the online form or by filling out a general entry blank and mailing it by May 15th to the address given. Entry fees are $3 per fleece; late entries will be $6 per fleece to encourage pre-entry. Fleeces must be unwashed, but clean and well-skirted and placed in clear plastic bags, one fleece per bag. Fleeces must have been shorn in the last 12 months. Unskirted, dirty or inferior fleeces will be disqualified. Each fleece should be tagged with a 3” x 5” card folded in half. On the outside of the card, list: class, sheep breed (if known), sale price per pound (if fleece is for sale). The inside of the
card should list exhibitor/seller’s name, address, phone number and email address if desired.

Fleeces may be brought to the exhibit hall between 7:00 – 9:00 pm Friday evening or 7:30 – 9:00 am on Saturday. At that time we will weigh your fleeces and enter any late entries. Judging will be done starting at 1:00 pm on Saturday, with ribbons awarded to three places. Trophies will be awarded for the Grand Champion and Reserve Champion fleeces. Please note that premiums will be paid on a point basis to Massachusetts residents only.

The sale will occur from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm Saturday and 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Sunday. A member of the Committee will be in charge of the sale during that time. Fleeces will be removed from the sale upon purchase. We will make every effort to remove ribbons for producers as fleeces are sold.

**Fleeces not for sale must remain on display until Sunday at 3:00 pm. Any unsold fleeces must be picked up by the producer between 3:00 – 4:00 pm on Sunday. MSWF is not responsible for unclaimed fleeces.**

Checks will be mailed for the sale price as well as any premium money at a reasonable date after the fair. No fleeces are to be removed before the sale.

**Fleece Class List:**
1. Purebred Fine White Wool
2. Purebred Medium White Wool
3. Purebred Long White Wool
4. White Crossbred
5. Colored Wool, Fine
6. Colored Wool, Medium
7. Colored Wool, Long (coarse)
8. Dual Coat
9. Rare and Minor Breeds

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### Past Winners

**2016 Winners**

*Champion Fleece* – Fine Colored Wool, Daniel Epe, Pittsfield, MA

*Reserve Champion Fleece* – White Crossbred, Sean Mallinson, Fort Plain, NY

**Purebred Fine White Wool**
1 – Daniel Epe, Pittsfield, MA
2 – Daniel Epe, Pittsfield, MA

**Purebred Medium White Wool**
Purebred Long White Wool
1 – Kate Collins, Royalston, MA
2 – Virginia T Avello, West Sand Lake, NY
3 – Kate Collins, Royalston, MA

White Crossbred
1 – Sean Mallinson, Fort Plain, NY
2 – Diane Kennedy, Buskirk, NY
3 – Kate Collins, Royalston, MA

Colored Wool, Fine
1 – Daniel Epe, Pittsfield, MA
2 – Sean Mallinson, Fort Plain, NY
3 – Sean Mallinson, Fort Plain, NY

Colored Wool, Medium
1 – Sean Mallinson, Fort Plain, NY
2 – Virginia T Avello, West Sand Lake, NY
3 – Kate Collins, Royalston, MA

Colored Wool, Long (Coarse)
1 – Kate Collins, Royalston, MA
2 – Courtney Lyman, Dracut, MA
3 – Joanie Dixson, Shelburne Falls, MA

Dual Coat
1 – Katie Cole, Bolton, MA
2 – Jocelyn Linnekin, Southwick, MA
3 – Jocelyn Linnekin, Southwick, MA

Rare & Minor Breeds
1 – Jocelyn Linnekin, Southwick, MA
2 – Sean Mallinson, Fort Plain, NY
3 – Teresa Daignault, Adams, MA