



MASSACHUSETTS SHEEP & WOOLCRAFT FAIR

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Woolcraft Contest

New this year, you have the option to submit your entry online or by mail.

****Drop-off locations ****

*We have Drop-off locations for entries to be dropped-off by Thursday noon before the fair, for our exhibitors that live a distance away, and cannot come to the fair for both days. If you choose this option, **you are responsible for picking up your items on Sunday between 3 – 4 pm at the Exhibit Hall.** We are not responsible for items not picked up. See details below.*

Adults and Youth will be judged separately and divided into three divisions each:

Div. 1: Clothing (dresses, jackets, sweaters, vests, etc.)

Class A: Sweaters

Class B: Woven

Class C: Items using other techniques (Knit, Crochet, Felted, etc.)

Div. 2: Accessories (hats, mittens, scarves, shawls, footwear, etc.)

Class A: Scarves & Shawls

Class B: Mittens, Socks and Hats

Class C: Other accessories

Div. 3: Non-wearable (rugs, wall hangings, dolls, pillows, artwork, etc.) Will be split as needed

Rules and Regulations:

1. Judging will be based on aesthetic appeal, originality and craftsmanship.
2. There is no limit to the number of items you can enter.
3. Techniques used may include weaving, knitting by hand or machine, crocheting, hooking, braiding, embroidery, felting, sewing, etc.
4. Articles must be at least 50% sheep wool. Articles produced from commercial yarn or fabric are eligible. Items made from handspun, hand-woven, hand-dyed materials, etc. made by someone other than the exhibitor are considered “commercial” and must be labeled as such.
5. All articles exhibited must be made by the exhibitor and must be in “like new” condition.
6. Exhibits for Adult and Youth classes will be divided as follows:
 - A. Adults—20 years of age or over.
 - B. Youth—under 20 years of age as of Jan. 1.
7. Additional classes may be added within each Division at the discretion of the judge, if there are enough entries.
8. Premium Money & Awards

Premium money – Premiums will be \$10 for 1st place; \$7 for second place and \$4 for third place.

One best of show will be selected in the Adult Woolcraft Show, and one in the Youth Woolcraft Show, if exhibits are sufficient

Ribbons and Best of Show trophies will be awarded at the time of judging .

Premium monies will be mailed to award winners after the fair.

Additional special awards will be awarded as available and appropriate.

Entering & Entry Form – There is no entry fee.

Two ways to enter:

1. Enter at the fair: Saturday morning between 7:30 – 9:30am. If you can print out entry forms and complete them before arrival it would be appreciated.

2. Drop-off-Entry(s): Entries may be dropped off as described below, and **you pick them up on Sunday between 3 – 4 pm at the Exhibit Hall.**

Drop-off your entries at the following locations during the week before the fair, no earlier than the Saturday before the fair, and no later than noon of Thursday before the fair, **in a closed paper bag with your name and phone number clearly written on the outside.**

Inside the bag must be:

– the completed Entry Form listing all entries separately

– all items individually tagged with the appropriate tags (see link below)

Drop-off Locations

Northampton Wools, 29 Pleasant St, Northampton, MA 01060

Sheep and Shawl, 265 Greenfield Rd., South Deerfield, MA 01373

11. There is no limit to the number of articles one may submit. Each article should be tagged separately.

12. Articles should be tagged with either the MSWF Wool Craft Tag ([Click here for Wool Craft Tags](#)) or two 3" x 5" cards, with the following information:

Display Card: neatly printed on one side, attached to item, with no identifying information.

- A. Fiber content (%) and breed(s) of sheep, if known.
- B. Description of materials used. (i.e. purchased cloth vs. cloth hand-woven by exhibitor, commercially spun yarn vs. yarn handspun by exhibitor vs. purchased handspun yarn from another spinner, etc.)
- C. Techniques used (i.e. sewn, knit, machine knit, woven, hand-dyed, felted, etc.)
- D. Massachusetts fiber Yes or No_____

Identification Card: folded in half, neatly printed, attached to the item with the following info.

Outside of folded card:

- A. Division
- B. Age Classification of exhibitor (Youth please list age)

Inside of folded card:

- A. Exhibitor's name
- B. Town
- C. State

13. Articles will be accepted between 7:30 and 9:30 am Saturday. All articles must be on display from 9:30 am Saturday to 3:00 pm Sunday.

14. All articles must be picked up between 3 and 4 pm Sunday. Unclaimed articles are not the responsibility of the fair Committee.

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