

WOOL

Superintendent: Robert Calvert, Mercer, PA

Judging: 1:00 PM, Thursday, October 7

The purpose of this show is to encourage the production of better wool; to promote proper handling, grading, and preparation for market; to create an awareness of the many qualities of wool and its uses.

SPECIAL RULES FOR WOOL

1. In addition to these Special Rules, this department is subject to the General Rules and Regulations as stated in the Premium List.
2. **ELIGIBILITY OF CONTESTANTS** – Any grower of wool may enter fleeces, but they must be entered in the name of the grower.
3. **ELIGIBILITY OF FLEECEES** – In order to compete for prizes each fleece must:
 - a. Have been shorn in 2021.
 - b. Represent not more than 12 months' growth, except in the case of yearling fleeces, when 16 months' growth will be allowed.
 - c. In case of controversy concerning the number of months' growth of any fleece, the acknowledged rate of monthly growth of wool from different breeds and types of sheep shall be used as a guide.
 - d. The management reserves the right to untie and inspect any fleece entered to determine its eligibility. Fleeces judged over age and/or found to contain parts of other fleeces will not be allowed to compete and the exhibitor will forfeit entry fees for these ineligible fleeces.
 - e. Fleeces entered in Classes 810 through 816 must have been shorn from registered sheep.
4. **ENTRY FEES** – \$2.00 per fleece. **A \$5 PLA administration fee is required to compete at KILE.** All fleeces delivered via mail to the show must have all transportation charges prepaid. If they are redeemed by the exhibitor, all fleeces will be returned at the exhibitor's expense following the show provided prior correspondence and instructions have been forwarded to the KILE Manager.
5. **OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS** – If monies are owed to the show for any reason, the premium checks will be held and exhibitors will not be allowed to participate in any Commonwealth-sponsored show until restitution is made of the outstanding accounts.
6. **NUMBER OF ENTRIES** – Exhibitors will be limited to two premiums in each class and no fleece can compete in more than one class except for champion or special prizes.
7. **ARRIVAL TIME** – ALL fleeces must be in place by 11:00 AM on Thursday, October 7
8. **RELEASE TIME** – At 1:00 PM on Sunday, October 10. Any fleece not claimed by 5:00 PM on Sunday, October 4 becomes the property of KILE.
9. **PREPARATION OF FLEECEES** – The fleeces shall be neatly arranged in a plastic bag or tied with paper twine, flesh side out, in a manner to allow their being handled without falling apart. It is recommended that exhibitors tie and pack fleeces rather loosely so as not to impair their character or attractiveness. Each fleece must be tagged with the following information: name, breed, sex, number of months' growth, catalog classification.
10. **FLEECE JUDGING** – In any controversy relative to the classification of any fleece offered for exhibition, affidavits from the exhibitor may be required. However, in all such controversies and in any interpretation of these rules and regulations, the decision of a committee of the Wool Show Superintendent, the Wool Show Judge, and the KILE Show Manager shall be final.

COMMERCIAL FARM FLOCK FLEECES

Class	Fleece Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6
801.	64's, 70's, 80's (Fine) Combing	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
802.	60's, 62's (1/2 Blood) Combing	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
803.	56's, 58's (3/8 Blood) Combing	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
804.	50's, 54's (1/4 Blood) Combing	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
805.	46's 48's (low 1/4 Blood) Combing	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
806.	44's and coarser (Common/Braid)	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
807.	Champion Commercial Farm Flock Fleece						Rosette
808.	Reserve Champion Commercial Farm Flock Fleece						Ribbon

PUREBRED FARM FLOCK FLEECES

(Only fleeces from purebred sheep are eligible to compete in this section).

Class	Fleece Breed	1	2	3	4	5	6
809.	Columbia & Corriedale	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
810.	Merino Ewe Fleece	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
811.	Merino Ram Fleece	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
812.	Rambouillet	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
813.	Romney	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
814.	Cheviot, Montadale, Dorset, & Texel	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
815.	Hampshire, Shropshire, Suffolk, Southdown, & Oxford	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
816.	Leicester and Lincoln	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
817.	All other Purebred Breeds	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
818.	Champion Purebred Farm Flock Fleece						Rosette
819.	Reserve Champion Purebred Farm Flock Fleece						Ribbon

NATURAL COLORED WOOL FLEECES

Class	Fleece Classification	1	2	3	4	5	6
820.	Solid Black, Brown/Gray Fleece (60's & Finer)	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
821.	Solid Black, Brown/Gray Fleece (58's & Coarser)	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
822.	Nonsolid Colored Fleece (60's & Finer)	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
823.	Nonsolid Colored Fleece (58's & Coarser)	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4
824.	Champion Natural Colored Fleece						Rosette
825.	Reserve Champion Natural Colored Fleece						Ribbon

GRAND CHAMPION

All fleeces being awarded a first prize in the Commercial, Purebred, and Natural Colored sections may compete for the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion awards. The second-prize fleece in the class from which the champion fleece is taken is eligible to compete for the Reserve Grand Champion ribbon.

826.	Grand Champion Fleece						Special Award
827.	Reserve Grand Champion Fleece						Special Award

BREEDER EXHIBIT OF FIVE FLEECES

This class shall consist of four female fleeces and one ram fleece. These fleeces must be shorn from sheep bred and raised by the exhibitor with the exception of the ram fleece, which must have been owned by the exhibitor. Fleeces in this class will be judged on individual merit and on uniformity of type, staple length, and character of the combined exhibit. **(Fleeces showing in previous classes are eligible to show in this class).**

Class		1	2	3	4	5	
828.	Breeder Exhibit of Five Fleeces	Special Award	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10

SPECIAL AWARDS

The American and DeLaine Merino Record Association will award \$50 cash to the exhibitor of the Grand Champion Fleece if it is a Merino.
