

OPEN SHEEP SHOW

Tuesday, August 11, 2026

Following the Open Goat Show

Tioga County Fairgrounds, Owego, NY

Limited pen space will be offered. Please plan to show off of your trailer. We will work with you if you need pen space!

Rules:

- 1) Sheep do not have to be registered; they can be crossbreds.
- 2) No more than two entries per class per exhibitor
- 3) Breed divisions will be made when there are 6 or more animals of one breed. All others will be in AOB Meat or AOB Wool.
- 4) Pens must be cleaned upon departure. A \$20 fee per pen will be issued and/or deducted from the premium check.
- 5) The entry fee is \$5 per head of sheep.
- 6) A veterinarian-issued CVI must be provided upon arrival, and sheep must pass NYS Veterinarian inspection upon arrival.
- 7) Deadline is July 15, 2026. No late entries will be accepted.
- 8) Rosettes will be given to division champions, and overall champions will be awarded banners.

Payouts:

- Individual classes
 - 1st: \$20, 2nd: \$15, 3rd: \$10
- Division (breed, weight, showmanship)
 - 1st: \$30, 2nd: \$25, 3rd: \$20
- Overall
 - Grand Champion: \$40
 - Reserve Champion: \$35

Divisions/Classes:

1. Ram Division
 - a. Junior Ram
 - i. Ram lamb under 1 year
 - b. Senior Ram
 - i. Ram lamb over 1 year
2. Ewe Division
 - a. Junior Ewe
 - i. Early Spring Ewe lamb (1/1/2026 - 3/31/2026)
 - ii. Late Spring Ewe lamb (4/1/2026 - 8/15/2026)
 - iii. Fall Ewe lamb (8/16/2025 - 12/31/2025)
 - b. Senior Ewe

- i. Yearling Ewe (8/16/2024 - 8/15/2025)
 - c. Aged Ewe
 - i. Ewe over 2 years (born before 8/15/2025)
- 3. Group Division
 - a. Pairs (must be same breed and class)
 - i. Ram Pair
 - ii. Ewe Pair
 - b. Flocks (must be the same breed, all lambs must be owned and bred by the exhibitor)
 - i. Breeders Young Flock (one ram lamb, two ewe lambs)
 - ii. A Flock (1 ram {yearling or lamb}, 2 yearling ewes, 2 ewe lambs)
 - iii. Pen of lambs (4 lambs with both sexes represented)
- 4. Market Lamb (weights to be determined at show)
- 5. Showmanship
 - a. Pee Wee (7 years and under)
 - b. Junior (8-13 years)
 - c. Senior (14-18 years)
 - d. Adult (19-29 years)
 - e. Old Timers (30 and older)

Health Rules

- All animals WILL be inspected upon arrival by a state veterinarian

NEW YORK STATE-ORIGIN SHEEP:

- 1. A valid intrastate CVI (AI-61) is required.
 - o The CVI must be issued on or after May 1st of the current year. The CVI must contain a written statement from the issuing Category 2 accredited veterinarian that the flock of origin was inspected after May 1st of the current year and no evidence of contagious, infectious, or communicable diseases was found.
 - o If evidence of sore mouth (contagious ecthyma) is found on any sheep, the entire exhibit including the affected animals (and any small ruminants from any other flock on the same conveyance to the fairgrounds) shall immediately be removed from the fair premises with the holding pens cleaned and disinfected immediately after removal.
- 2. All animals are individually identified with USDA approved scrapie identification. Identification must be one of the following: 1) USDA approved tags or 2) a legible USDA approved registration tattoo or 3) a legible USDA approved flock tattoo and individual animal ID number or 4) electronic implant device (microchip) if the sheep is enrolled in the Scrapie Flock Certification Program, and/or the electronic implant ID is recorded on the sheep's registration paper. For information on scrapie ID, contact USDA at 1-866-USDA-TAG (1-866-873-2824). If you are exhibiting animals identified by microchip, a working reader must be supplied by the exhibitor.

- 3. Rabies vaccination is required for all species for which there is a USDA licensed vaccine available (cattle, horses, sheep, dog, cat, ferret) and that are 4 months of age or older on the date of admission to the fair. For most rabies vaccines, the earliest age allowable for primary vaccination is 3 months (12 weeks). Animals that are vaccinated prior to 84 days of age will need to be re-vaccinated according to label before entering the fairgrounds. Vaccine must have been administered within the past 12 months. The exception is Imrab LA vaccine used in sheep which protects for 3 years after the second annual vaccination (consult your veterinarian). The rabies vaccination requirement must be met on the day of admission even if the animal was previously admitted to a fair when too young to vaccinate. The New York State Fair requires rabies vaccination for all livestock species entering the grounds. See Section F for “Acceptable Proof of Rabies Vaccination.”

OUT-OF-STATE SHEEP:

- 1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) is required for out-of-state sheep. All animals entering New York State must satisfy both import requirements and fair requirements for that species and be accompanied by a valid interstate CVI. The interstate CVI is valid for 30 days from the date of CVI inspection. During the New York fair season (July 1 through Labor Day) valid CVIs can be used multiple times for entrance into a qualifying NYS Agricultural Fair (linked here) (<https://www.nyfairs.org/>) The initial entrance into a qualifying NYS Agricultural Fair must be within 30 days of the date of CVI inspection. The name of the fair must be recorded on the CVI. For the CVI to be used for a later fair, it must be dated and initialed by a NYS Agriculture and Markets official noting the location of the initial, qualifying NYS Agricultural Fair. A change in health status or eligibility of an animal necessitates the generation of a new CVI. New York does not participate in the New England Exhibition Show and Fair Circuit. Questions regarding import requirements should be directed to the Division of Animal Industry at 518-457-3971, or at the division’s import/export homepage: <https://agriculture.ny.gov/animals/animal-import-export> .
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- 11) Breed divisions will be made when there are 6 or more animals of one breed. All others will be in AOB Meat or AOB Dairy.
- 12) Pens must be cleaned upon departure. A \$20 fee per pen will be issued and/or deducted from the premium check.
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- 14) A veterinarian-issued CVI must be provided upon arrival, and sheep must pass NYS Veterinarian inspection upon arrival.
- 15) Deadline is July 15, 2026. No late entries will be accepted.
- 16) Rosettes will be given to division champions, and overall champions will be awarded banners.
- 17) Boer Meat Classes Breakdown: Fullblood (>94%), Percentage (51-94%), Crossbred (50%)

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Divisions/Classes:

- 18) Buck Division
 - a) Junior Buck
 - i) Buck goat under 1 year
 - b) Senior Buck
 - i) Buck goat over 1 year
- 19) Doe Division
 - a) Junior Doe
 - i) Under 3 months (1/1/2026 - 3/31/2026)
 - ii) 3-6 months (4/1/2026 - 8/15/2026)

- iii) 6-12 months (8/16/2025 - 12/31/2025)
 - b) Senior Doe
 - i) 1 year and under 2 (8/16/2024 - 8/15/2025)
 - ii) 2 years and under 3 (8/16/2023 - 8/15/2024)
 - iii) 3 years and under 4 (8/16/2022 - 8/15/2023)
 - iv) 4 years and under 5 (8/16/2021 - 8/15/2022)
 - v) 5 years and older (born on or before 8/15/2021)
- 20) Market Goat
- 21) Showmanship
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