

## **SHEEP SECTION**

### **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD – AN ROINN TALMHAIOCHTA AGUS BIA**

#### **Identification**

All sheep must be identified individually with appropriate ear tags issued in accordance with the requirements of the National Sheep Identification System (NSIS).

#### **Movement Documentation**

All consignments of sheep being moved must be accompanied by a completed dispatch document. Individual details of each sheep in the consignment must be recorded on the document. Only sheep from non-restricted flocks can be moved to shows. In the case of flocks restricted following diagnosis of scrapie, only sheep possessing the ARR/ARR genotype may be exhibited. The movement of these ARR/ARR genotype sheep must be accompanied by the relevant movement permit (SCR/10), which can be obtained from the local District Veterinary Office in the County where the flock is located.

#### **Flock Register**

All movements of sheep to and from shows must be recorded in the keeper's flock register.

#### **Exports to Northern Ireland**

All sheep must be accompanied by a TRACES intra-community trade certificate for ovine animals. A traces message, corresponding with the traces certificate, will be sent for each animal or consignment being dispatched to the show (this will be performed by Department officials of the DVO). Exhibitors are advised to contact the show society in Northern Ireland well in advance of any show to determine the suitability of the show for return of animals (eg. premises and sheep status), and whether the authorities will have officials and veterinary staff present to supervise and process documentation for animals returning to origin.

**Agreement for the movement and immediate return of sheep to a show in another country or vice versa currently only applies for movements between Ireland and Northern Ireland - it does not apply for movements to Great Britain or further afield. Movements to shows in countries other than Northern Ireland, will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis and you should contact your local District Veterinary Office at least one month prior to the show**

#### **Attendance of sheep from scrapie monitored flocks at show and sales in 2023:**

##### **Shows between 1st May and 31st October.**

Sheep from scrapie monitored flocks will be permitted to attend Agricultural Shows taking place between 1st May and 31st October, without restriction or separation from other categories of sheep.

**Enquiries to Chief Steward: John Murray 086 8243792**

**Prize Money: 1<sup>st</sup> €45 2<sup>nd</sup> €25 3<sup>rd</sup> €15**

**Entry Fee: €5 (unless otherwise stated).**

**All Sheep MUST be penned by 10.30am**

**Judging starts at 11.00am**

**NOTE: Numbers must be clearly displayed by exhibitors**

#### **BLUE LEICESTER SECTION**

**CLASS 150: Blue Leicester Ram – any age**

**CLASS 151: Pair Mule Ewe Lambs**

#### **BEST BLUE LEICESTER OF SECTION**

#### **WICKLOW CHEVIOT SECTION**

**CLASS 152: Wicklow Cheviot Ram – any age**

**CLASS 153: Wicklow Cheviot Ewe - any age**

**CLASS 154: Pair of Wicklow Cheviot Ewe Lambs**

#### **BEST CHEVIOT OF SECTION**

#### **TEXEL SECTION**

**CLASS 155: Texel Ram - any age – Purebred, including Ram Lamb.**

**CLASS 156: Texel Ewe - any age - Purebred**

**CLASS 157: Texel Lamb, male or female**

## **BEST TEXEL OF SECTION**

### **COMMERCIAL SECTION**

**CLASS 158:** Crossbred Ewe – any age

**CLASS 159:** Crossbred Ewe Lamb from Blackface Mountain Ewe, low land Ram, any breed.

**CLASS 160:** Crossbred Ewe Lamb other than above

**CLASS 161:** Best Sheep any breed not previously classed

**CLASS 162:** Butchers Lamb over 45kg (Lambs to be weighed on day)

**CLASS 163:** Factory Lamb under 45kg (Lambs to be weighed on day)

**CLASS 164:** Connemara/Mayo Hill Blackface Wether, Shearling & upwards

## **BEST COMMERCIAL OF SECTION**

**ANY CONFINED ENTRIES ARE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE IN OPEN CLASSES PROVIDED THEY ARE ENTERED IN BOTH**

### **LANARK SECTION**

**CLASS 165:** Pair of Lanark Type Ewe Lambs

**CLASS 166:** Lanark Ram – any age

**CLASS 167:** Lanark Type Ewe - any age

## **BEST LANARK OF SECTION**

### **CONNEMARA/MAYO MOUNTAIN BLACKFACE TYPE SECTION**

**CLASS 168:** Mountain Blackface Ewe 2 years and over - **confined to Oughterard, Killannin & Moycullen parishes.**

**CLASS 169:** Mountain Blackface Ewe 2 years and over. **OPEN**

**CLASS 170:** Mountain Blackface Ewe Shearling - **confined to Oughterard, Killannin & Moycullen parishes.**

**CLASS 171:** Mountain Blackface Ewe Shearling. **OPEN**

**CLASS 172:** Mountain Blackface Ewe Lamb - **confined to Oughterard, Killannin & Moycullen parishes.**

**CLASS 173:** Mountain Blackface Ewe Lamb. **OPEN**

**CLASS 174:** Mountain Blackface Ram Shearling. **OPEN**

**CLASS 175:** Mountain Blackface Ram Lamb **OPEN**

**CLASS 176:** Mountain Blackface Ram 2 years and over **OPEN**

**CLASS 177:** Pen of 3 Mountain Blackface Ewe Lambs – Just off the hill **OPEN**

**CLASS 178:** Mountain Blackface Ewe any age with own lamb at foot-Just off the hill **OPEN**

## **BEST MOUNTAIN BLACKFACE OF THE SECTION**

**Will also receive The Kieran Keane Memorial Cup**

### **CONNEMARA/MAYO – PAIR OF BLACKFACE HOGGETS SECTION**

**Entry fee; €10, per pair.**

**Prize fund; €300**

**CLASS 179:** Pair of Connemara / Mayo Ewe Hoggets (not previously qualified for Championship).

**CHAMPIONSHIP PAIR OF HOGGETS having qualified from:-**

**2nd July – Maam Cross**

**16th July -Ballyconnelly**

**9th July – Roundstone**

**20th Aug - Recess**

**27th Aug - Oughterard.**

**CLASS 180: Young Handler under 14 years.**

*(Emphasis on presentation and all aspects of correct preparation and showing of livestock. Exhibitor will be asked to answer questions and show a good general knowledge of the breed)*

**NOTE: All sheep must be tagged & dispatch documents handed in & stamped.**

**SUPREME CHAMPION OF SHOW**

**Chosen from winners of each section**

**Rosette & Thomas Welby Perpetual Challenge Trophy**