

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 2024:

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: 1st €45 2nd €25 3rd €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 – (Speculed or Traditional)

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 - Purebred

BEST TEXEL OF SECTION

COMMERCIAL SECTION

- CLASS 158:** Crossbred Ewe – any age. **Confined to Oughterard, Killannin, Moycullen.**
CLASS 159: Crossbred Ewe, Any Age. **OPEN CLASS**
CLASS 160: Crossbred Ewe Lamb from Blackface Mountain Ewe/ low land Ram, any breed
CLASS 161: Crossbred Ewe Lamb other than above
CLASS 162: Best Sheep any breed not previously classed
CLASS 163: Butchers Lamb over 45kg (Lambs to be weighed on day)
CLASS 164: Factory Lamb under 45kg (Lambs to be weighed on day)
CLASS 165: 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 166:** Pair of Lanark Type Ewe Lambs
CLASS 167: Lanark Type Ewe - any age
CLASS 168: Lanark Ram – any age

BEST LANARK OF SECTION

CONNEMARA/MAYO MOUNTAIN BLACKFACE TYPE SECTION

- CLASS 169:** Mountain Blackface Ewe 2 years and over - **confined to Oughterard, Killannin & Moycullen parishes.**
CLASS 170: Mountain Blackface Ewe 2 years and over. **OPEN**
CLASS 171: Mountain Blackface Ewe Shearling - **confined to Oughterard, Killannin & Moycullen parishes.**
CLASS 172: Mountain Blackface Ewe Shearling. **OPEN**
CLASS 173: Mountain Blackface Ewe Lamb - **confined to Oughterard, Killannin & Moycullen parishes.**
CLASS 174: Mountain Blackface Ewe Lamb. **OPEN**
CLASS 175: Mountain Blackface Ram Shearling. **OPEN**
CLASS 176: Mountain Blackface Ram Lamb. **OPEN**
CLASS 177: Mountain Blackface Ram 2 years and over. **OPEN**
CLASS 178: Pen of 3 Mountain Blackface Ewe Lambs – Hill Reared. **OPEN**
CLASS 179: 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 180: Pair of Connemara / Mayo Ewe Hoggets (not previously qualified for Championship).

CHAMPIONSHIP PAIR OF HOGGETS having qualified from:-

7th July: Maam Cross	21st July: Ballyconnelly
14th July: Roundstone	18th August: Recess
	25th August: Oughterard.

CLASS 181: 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