

**EMMET COUNTY
OPEN CLASS
BOTTLE/BUCKET LAMB
PROJECT**



Rules:

1. Open Class: Open to any exhibitor who lives in Emmet County and who has completed kindergarten through third grade at the time of the show.
2. Any orphan or newborn lamb, ewe or weather, lambled between Jan. 1st and May 15th of the current year may be shown. Exhibitor must pick up an ID sheet from the Extension office, fill it out and return it back into the Extension office or to Lynette Nitchals by May 15th. Lamb must be also ear tagged, with tag information on ID sheet, a picture of exhibitor with their lamb, lambs included with ID sheet.
3. Open Class will be required to fill out a Bottle Lamb Questionnaire to be turned in at their interview. The bottle lamb packet with questionnaire and ID sheet can be picked up at the Extension office or contacting Lynette Nitchals, or John Irmiter.
4. An exhibitor may identify up to 3 lambs, but is limited to only one that exhibits at fair. It is recommended that if no other livestock are on the premise, that they purchase two lambs for better survivability.
5. Lambs should be in possession of the exhibitor within one week of birth. Lambs must be bottle, or bucket fed. **NO NURSING PERMITTED.**
6. All lambs are to be halter broke and will be shown at halter.
7. Lambs must be free of any contagious or infections conditions.
8. Lambs must be slick sheared to be eligible to be shown in the bottle lamb class. No shearing is allowed on the fair grounds during fair.
9. Sexually intact sheep departing from the flock of origin to attend fair must be ear-tagged with the official scrapie program tag from the farm of origin.
10. Judging will be based on:
 - a. Participant interview: what the exhibitor has learned about the care and raising of the lamb.
 - b. Cleanliness and overall appearance with the emphasis on what the exhibitor has learned.
 - c. General health, condition and management of the lamb and the young person's knowledge in this area.
 - d. Showmanship: will be asked to set the lamb up, will be asked to walk the lamb around the show ring, be able to tie the lamb to a post, ability to keep lamb between themselves and the judge.
11. Supporting information and photo will be allowed, but not necessary
12. Bottle lambs will **NOT** be sold at the 4-H auction

Awards:

All youth in the bottle lamb open class will received a participation ribbon along with a new lamb halter. An over-all call winner and a 2nd over-all class winner will be awards trophies.

Questions please call or contact: Lynette Nitchals, 2337 410th Ave, Wallingford, IA 51365 712-867-4430, slkanit@rvtc.net, or John Irmiter, 5771 160th Street, Armstrong, IA 50514, 712-868-3295, jirmiter@yourstarnet.net

Bottle/Bucket Lamb ID Sheet

Due May 15th

Name: _____

County: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____

Current Grade: _____

I hereby certify that I have an active role in the care of the following animals as part of my bottle/bucket lamb project.

Signature of Exhibitor: _____

I verify my child's statement.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Lamb Birth Date	Breed	Ear Tag #

May identify up to three lambs but may show only one at the fair.
Returned the completed form and picture of lamb(s) with exhibitor to the
Extension office or mail to:

Lynette Nitchals
2337 410th Ave
Wallingford, IA 51365

Emmet County Fair Open Class Bottle/ Bucket Lamb Questionnaire

Name: _____

Current Grade: _____

Please complete the following questions and bring to your interview (interview times will be set up and information mailed to you the first part of July).

1. How old was your lamb, lambs when it was purchase or put on the bottle?

2. What do you feed your lamb, lambs?

3. When was the lamb weaned from the bottle?

4. What do you plan to do with your lamb, lambs after fair?

5. What would you like the judge to know about your project?