



**Southern States Dorper Youth Show & Production Ewe Contest**  
**June 26-28, 2025**  
**Hyder-Burks Agricultural Center, Tennessee Tech University**  
**Cookeville, TN**

**Entry Information**

Entry fees are \$10 and must be paid at time of entry. Late entry fees will be \$25. Entry fees are non-refundable.

**To Enter**

- **Online:** Visit [www.Showman.app](http://www.Showman.app) to access the Online Entry System
- **Hard Copy:** Mail the attached form and payment to the National ADSBS Office. *Emailed entries will not be accepted.*

ADSBS  
Attn: Southern States Youth Show  
P.O. Box 259  
Hallsville, MO 65255

**Entry Deadlines**

- Mailed-in entries must be postmarked by **May 19th**
- Online entries will close **May 31<sup>st</sup>**
- Late entries only accepted online **June 2<sup>nd</sup> - June 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Hotel Information**

Hampton Inn Cookeville  
1025 Interstate Dr, Cookeville, TN 38501  
Phone: (931) 651-1500  
Rate: \$140/night + taxes  
Book Online: <https://tinyurl.com/SouthernStatesHotel>  
*Book before June 18th to get the rate*

**Schedule**

*Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup>*

- 10 am to 3 pm: Sheep Check-in
- 1 pm to 3:30: Ultrasound all **single consignment Fall Ram and Ewe Lamb** classes
- 3:30 pm (completion of Ultrasound singles): Ultrasound all carcass class lambs
- 3 pm until complete: Paint Branding and Sifting

*Friday, July 27<sup>th</sup>*

Judge: Billy Wade

- 8:00 am: Singles Show
- 8:00 am: Youth Competitions
- 1:00 pm: Youth Show

- 4:00 or 30 minutes after the Youth Show Pens of Two

*Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup>*

- 10:00 am: Southern States Sale

### **General Show Rules**

1. All exhibitors must be a current Junior member of the American Doper Sheep Breeders' Society (ADSBS) and in good standing. The ADSBS recognizes a junior member as a member 21 years of age and younger as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
2. Ownership of the sheep may be in an individual junior member's name or co-owned by siblings, as long as both are junior members. Ownership in farms, families, 4-H Clubs or FFA chapters is not acceptable.
3. **An exhibitor may enter a maximum of two (2) entries per class.**
4. Sheep must be ADSBS registered purebred or fullblood Dorpers or White Dorpers. The original Registration Certificate must be provided at check-in to the event. If not provided the online profile on the ADSBS registry site may be used to verify proof of ownership.
5. Standard interstate health paper issued within 30 days of the show is required for each animal, and may be required by show management at check-in. All sheep are subject to random vet checks. All sheep must be identified with a USDA scrapie ear tag.
6. There is no minimum age for exhibitors, but the youth exhibitor must be physically capable of controlling and showing their own sheep, except in cases of physical disabilities. Another youth exhibitor may assist as heeler to set hind legs.
7. Exhibitors must show their own entries unless the exhibitor has more than one animal in the same class or permission is given by the show superintendent. Substitute show persons must be eligible Junior members of ADSBS.
8. Sheep will be show flat-footed and are not to be braced.
9. Fitting: All sheep must be properly washed and sheared.
10. The use of coloring agents to change skin, hair, or hoof pigment is prohibited. The use of adhesives and glues for purpose of fitting hair is prohibited. Addition of twine, hair, or any substance (such as to "build" legs) is prohibited.
11. Sheep may be shown with or without halters in all classes.
12. Showmanship will be open to all Junior exhibitors. No entry fee for Showmanship.
13. Substitutions may be made. **There will be no changes on entries after check-in.**
14. Youth Show sheep should arrive no later than 6:30 PM Thursday, June 27 to be checked in. The Youth Show will begin at 8 AM on Friday, June 28. All sheep must be removed from Hyder-Burks Agricultural Center, by 10 AM Sunday.
15. Show management reserves the right to change, combine or delete classes with insufficient entries

### **Market Lamb Division Special Rules**

1. The market lamb show will be open to ewes and wethers. Ewe lambs shown in the market lamb division are not eligible to be shown in the breeding classes.
2. Exhibitors are responsible for weighing their lambs and turning cards into show management. Weight will be used for show ring entry order and possible class divisions depending on the number of lambs and weight separations.
3. **ALL BLANKETS ARE TO BE REMOVED FOR WEIGH-IN AND CLASSIFICATION.**
4. All lambs must be shorn to the skin one (1) week or less prior to arrival at the Show.
5. Each exhibitor is entitled to enter a maximum of two (2) market lambs.
6. Exhibitors may show Market Lambs braced or flatfooted.
7. Dorper, White Dorper or a cross between these breeds allowed, but must meet either Dorper or White Dorper classifications by the "Three Strikes You're Out Method" listed below and/or one "Absolute DQ" listed results in the lamb being ineligible to show. Any lamb entering the ring on show day exhibiting an absolute DQ as listed can also be

asked to leave by the show officials.

- a. Three of the following will result in disqualification:
    - i. Tall, leggy, shallow, narrow-bodied lambs;
    - ii. A limited number of spots on body and underline not to exceed a total of four (4) square inches;
    - iii. A white sheep with brown or red colored speckles in the covering confined to the neck and head;
    - iv. Excessive wool covering more than 2/3 of body (belly, forearm, and britch);
    - v. Wool forward of poll;
    - vi. Heavy horns;
    - vii. Long, pendulous ears;
    - viii. Long, narrow muzzle;
  - b. Absolute disqualifications:
    - i. All wool or very little evidence of hair on belly, forearm, or britch;
    - ii. Wool below the knees or hocks;
    - iii. Wool on the ears;
    - iv. Sheep with more than four (4) square inches (softball size) or cumulative color back of the heart girth;
    - v. Solid brown, red or rust colored head;
    - vi. Speckling or spots from knee to dewclaw or from hock to dewclaw;
    - vii. Strong breed characteristics of breeds other than Dorper or White Dorper;
    - viii. Surgical alterations other than redocking;
8. Market Lambs should arrive no later than 6:00 PM Thursday, June 21 20 to be weighed in.

### **Showmanship Classes**

1. Peewee – 8 and under
2. Junior – 9-11
3. Intermediate – 12-15
4. Senior – 16-21

### **Youth Show Breeding Sheep Division Classes**

- 1) Dorper Senior Yearling Rams – born between 9/1/23 and 12/31/23
- 2) Dorper Junior Yearling Rams – born between 1/1/24 and 8/31/24
- 3) Dorper Early Fall Ram Lambs – born between 9/1/24 and 10/31/24
- 4) Dorper Late Fall Ram Lambs – born between 11/1/24 and 12/31/24
- 5) Dorper Early Spring Ram Lambs - born between 1/1/25 and 2/28/25
- 6) Dorper Late Spring Ram Lambs - born after 3/1/25
  
- 7) White Dorper Senior Yearling Rams – born between 9/1/23 and 12/31/23
- 8) White Dorper Junior Yearling Rams – born between 1/1/24 and 8/31/24
- 9) White Dorper Early Fall Ram Lambs – born between 9/1/24 and 10/31/24
- 10) White Dorper Late Fall Ram Lambs – born between 11/1/24 and 12/31/24
- 11) White Dorper Early Spring Ram Lambs - born between 1/1/25 and 2/28/25
- 12) White Dorper Late Spring Ram Lambs - born after 3/1/25
  
- 13) Dorper Senior Yearling Ewes – born between 9/1/23 and 10/31/24
- 14) Dorper Junior Yearling Ewes - born between 1/1/24 and 8/31/24
- 15) Dorper Early Fall Ewe Lambs - born between 9/1/24 and 10/31/24
- 16) Dorper Late Fall Ewe Lambs - born between 11/1/24 and 12/31/24
- 17) Dorper Early Spring Ewe Lambs - born between 1/1/25 and 2/28/25

- 18) Dorper Late Spring Ewe Lambs - born after 3/1/25
- 19) White Dorper Senior Yearling Ewes – born between 9/1/23 and 10/31/24
- 20) White Dorper Junior Yearling Ewes - born between 1/1/24 and 8/31/24
- 21) White Dorper Early Fall Ewe Lambs - born between 9/1/24 and 10/31/24
- 22) White Dorper Late Fall Ewe Lambs - born between 11/1/24 and 12/31/24
- 23) Dorper Early Spring Ewe Lambs - born between 1/1/25 and 2/28/25
- 24) Dorper Late Spring Ewe Lambs - born after 3/1/25

### **Production Ewe Contest**

This contest showcases a junior member's participation in the production of Dorper and White Dorper ewes and their offspring. Components of the contest include record keeping, stockmanship and public speaking.

### **Production Ewe Contest Rules**

1. All exhibitors must be a current Junior member of the American Dorper Sheep Breeders' Society (ADSBS) and in good standing. The ADSBS recognizes a junior member as a member 21 years of age and younger as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
2. Entry fees are \$5 and must be paid at time of entry. Entry fees are non-refundable.
3. Ownership of the ewe and her lamb(s) must be in the individual junior member's name.
4. The project ewe must be ADSBS registered purebred or fullblood Dorpers or White Dorpers.
5. Entry Deadline: June 10, 2024
6. Ewes must be properly washed and sheared, but will be shown loose, individually. Lambs weaned from the ewe will also be washed and sheared. Young lambs on their dam's side will be shown naturally. Lambs may be ewes, rams or wethers.
7. Youth will be allowed to show no more than two (2) production projects per show.

### **Production Ewe Classes**

1. Junior – 8-11
2. Intermediate – 12-15
3. Senior – 16-21

### **Scoring**

- **Record Book (25%)**
  - Record forms are to be kept on the ewe from breed date on documenting costs. Forms should be put in a folder or binder with a cover sheet with the exhibitor's name. Charts, photographs, and other supporting documents may be included. Record books will be judged by a panel of individuals and scores averaged together.
  - Exhibitors may use the ADSBS Production Ewe Contest Record Book template available at <https://dorpersheep.org/junior-information-and-events/> or may create their own.
- **Interviews (25%)**
  - Conducted by a panel of individuals. Topics and potential questions will relate to sheep husbandry, agriculture, their own animals, record
  - books and any questions the judges would like to add at their discretion
- **Live Animal Evaluation (50%)**
  - The project ewe and her lamb(s) are shown loose. Judging will be based off of conformation, soundness and overall production traits. Lambs may be ewes, rams or wethers.

