



SCOTTISH FLEECE COMPETITION

Fleece Competition 2026 SCHEDULE

Online entries close on Tuesday 12th May

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SHOW 2026
18 - 21 JUNE
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General Information

Entry Fees (VAT exempt)

RHASS members

£7 per class

Non-members

£12 per class

Prizes in each Class



1st
£15.00



2nd
£10.00

The exhibition of fleeces will be open to the public on the first day of the Show. Judging of the fleece will take place on the Thursday morning.

A presentation of prizes will be held at 12.30pm on Thursday 18th June.



Fleece Competition Regulations

The Society's General Regulations 1- 46 apply, except as amended and supplemented below.

- 1.** In Classes 1-9, each exhibitor **MUST** be a registered wool producer.
- 2.** An exhibitor may enter any number of classes, but can only submit up to a maximum of three fleeces per class. The Society reserves the right to restrict the number of entries proportionately.
- 3.** Each fleece (all classes) must be submitted in a bag which will be provided by the Society approximately ten days prior to the Show; for the purposes of the competition, fleeces entered in classes 1-9 must be neatly rolled and secured with a wool band made from neck wool.
- 4.** Each bag must be labelled by the exhibitor with the two labels provided. Each label must show clearly:
 - Name of Exhibitor
 - Address of Exhibitor
 - Show entered
 - Class entered
 - Catalogue Number
 - Breed or Cross
 - British Wool Marketing Board
Registration number (Classes 1-9 only)

One label should be placed inside the container; the other secured on the outside.

- 5.** Competitors will be responsible for ensuring the delivery of their competitive fleeces to The Royal Highland Showground, Ingliston between 9.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday of Show week, to the NSA Marquee. Fleeces will be on display for the duration of the Show or as advised by the Chief Steward.
- 6.** All fleeces entered in Classes 1-9 will be collected by the British Wool Marketing Board and paid for by them in accordance with the published price schedule.
- 7.** All prize cards and rosettes will be presented at the Show.
- 8.** Fleeces that are artificially stained or artificially coloured or fastened with any form of twine will be eliminated.
- 9.** The competition will be judged on a points system and the judges' decision is final.

10. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure that the fleeces are entered in the correct class. Judges will judge the fleeces in the most appropriate class.
11. All fleeces must remain part of the display for the duration of the Show and may only be removed with the Chief Stewards permission on Sunday afternoon.

12. Organiser's Liability

Cancellation of the Show, Force Majeure etc.

1. If the Royal Highland Show is cancelled, postponed or curtailed for any reason (including, by reason of an event of Force Majeure, which means any of the following which in each case is beyond the control of the parties: act of God, war, insurrection, riot, civil disturbance, acts of terrorism, fire, explosion, theft, malicious damage, strike, lock-out, third party injunction, outbreak of disease; national defence requirements, acts or regulations of national or local governments; and any other cause beyond the control of the parties) so that there is a restriction in the benefit or value of the exhibitors Rights, RHASS shall notify the exhibitor of the cancellation, postponement or curtailment as soon as possible.
2. The parties agree to discuss options in good faith, including alternative activation, deferral of entry fees to the next Royal Highland Show or, if required, a full refund.
3. Any alternative activation, deferral or refund will be offered on a prorata basis and will take account of any benefits received.

To be judged at 9.00 a.m. on Thursday 18th June

Judges

To be Confirmed

Classes

1. EXTRA FINE (including Merino and Merino Cross)
2. FINE (including Down and Down Cross)
3. MEDIUM (including Half-Bred, Kent, Texel, Lleyrn)
4. CROSS (including Greyface, Mule and Masham)
5. LUSTRE (including Bluefaced Leicester, Wensleydale, Lincoln, Devon and Cotswold)
6. HILL (including Cheviot, Shetland, Improved Welsh, Radnor, Exmoor, Gritstone and Lonk)
7. MOUNTAIN (including Blackface, Swaledale, Rough Fell, Welsh Mountain and Dalesbred)
8. NATURALLY COLOURED (including Jacob, Herdwick, Black Welsh Mountain, or any other naturally coloured pure-bred or cross-bred fleece)
9. NATURALLY COLOURED (Pure-bred Shetland)

Special Prizes

- SP1** **Best Fleece**
Rosette
Champion Medal. Sponsored by The Royal Bank of Scotland
Champion Prize of £25.
The Major and Mrs. Callander Perpetual Challenge Trophy. Presented by Mrs J.D. Callander, The Bothy, Pathhead, Midlothian. (FL4)
- SP2** **Reserve Fleece**
Rosette
- SP3** **Best Fleece Shown by Central Region Exhibitor**
The Arthur Robertson Salver for best fleece shown by an Exhibitor resident in BWMB's Central Region of Scotland. (FL1)
- SP4** **Best Jacob Fleece**
The A.M. Wilson Perpetual Challenge Trophy.
Presented by Mr A. Wilson, The Red House, Freuchie. (FL2)
- SP5** **Best Fleece for Carpet Manufacture**
The Blackwood Morton Trophy.
This Trophy was originally presented in 1951 by Blackwood Morton & Sons Ltd. (FL3)
- SP6** **Best White Shetland Fleece**
Tom Findlay Memorial Trophy.
Presented in his memory by The Shetland Sheep Society and administered by them.
- SP7** **Best Coloured Shetland Fleece**
Tom Findlay Memorial Trophy.
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