



NSA SHEEP 2026

(OPEN) FLEECE COMPETITION

Information relating to the fleece competition to be held at NSA Sheep 2026

An entry form is on <https://www.nationalsheep.org.uk/nsa-sheep-event/attractions/competitions/>

Judge: Billy Hewitson – British Wool

Class 1 - FINE - (including Down, Down Cross & Portland)

Class 2 - MEDIUM – (including Halfbred, Kent, Texel & Lleyn)

Class 3 - CROSS – (including Masham, Mule & Greyface)

Class 4 - LUSTRE – (including Wensleydale, Lincoln, Devon, Cotswold & Bluefaced Leicester)

Class 5 - HILL – (including Radnor, Improved Welsh, Cheviot, Exmoor, Gritstone & Lonk)

Class 6 - MOUNTAIN – (including Swaledale, Dalesbred, Blackface, Rough Fell and Welsh)

Class 7 - NATURAL COLOURED – (including Jacob, Herdwick & Black Welsh Mountain or any other natural coloured pure bred or cross bred fleece)

Prizes in each class: 1st£15, 2nd£10. Champion Fleece £50 plus crystal award, Reserve fleece £25.

To be judged on TUESDAY 28th July at 10 am.

Presentation of awards and prize money will take place on TUESDAY 28th July at 3.30 pm at Organisers Office or at the Fleece Competition.

Conditions of Entry:

1. Exhibitors are allowed a maximum of two entries per class
2. The fleeces must be neatly rolled and secured by the neck wool.
3. Each fleece must be clearly labelled with class entered, breed or cross and name and address of exhibitor.
4. Fleeces must be delivered to the fleece competition area (adjacent to the sheep breeds) between 2 pm on Monday 27th July and 9 am Tuesday 30th July. Fleeces must not be removed until 5.30 pm on 28th July.
5. Fleeces that are artificially stained or coloured or fastened with any form of twine will be eliminated.
6. The competition will be judged on a points system and the judge's decision is final.
7. Entries close Wednesday 1st July 2026



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