

# Junior Sheep Association of Florida 2021-2022 Official Rules

## A. Membership

1. Members must be Florida residents, and not yet graduated from high school.
  - a. Membership is required to participate in the JSAF points circuit and recognition programs.
  - b. Members are not required to be associated with other agricultural youth organizations (ex. 4-H, FFA, breed associations), however it is encouraged..
2. Membership dues are \$30.00 per member and are non-refundable.
  - a. As of 2021-2022, "peewees" (7 years of age or younger, as of September 1, 2021) can join the JSAF; and their membership fee will be waived.
  - b. Membership dues must be paid before the start of a show to be eligible to receive points for the said show and any subsequent shows.
  - c. Membership dues will be paid online. Active membership is based on the date of payment.



## B. Association Guidelines

1. The official website of the JSAF is [www.JuniorSheepAssociationofFlorida.org](http://www.JuniorSheepAssociationofFlorida.org).
2. The official Facebook page of the JSAF is Junior Sheep Association of Florida.
3. The 2021-2022 season for the points series runs from August 1<sup>st</sup> – March 31<sup>st</sup>.
4. Showmanship divisions will be junior (3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade and at least 8 years old as of September 1 of the show season), intermediate (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade), and senior (9<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> grade).
  - a. Members 7 years of age and under will show in the peewee division and will be recognized for participation at the end of the season, and are not eligible for any points.
5. Peewees will not be included in points tabulation for the show season. The goal of the peewee division is to expose the youth to the program and prepare them to show when they can become junior members.
6. If a member or anyone acting on behalf of a member has a grievance with JSAF, they must complete the grievance form, available on the website, and submit via mail or email with a \$50 fee. If the grievance is related to a specific show, refer to the show grievance policy.



## C. JSAF Florida Born Market Wether Futurity Program

1. The Florida Born Market Wether Futurity Program, or "Florida Born Futurity," will include only market wethers born on or after January 1<sup>st</sup> of the same year of the start of the show season.
2. **Breeders** complete the breeder's agreement on the JSAF website and pay the breeder fee to participate in the program. (For more details, refer to the JSAF website).
  - a. Nominated lambs will be microchipped to be used for primary identification. JSAF tags are also placed for ease of visibility and scrapie tags are recorded. Microchips may be scanned at any time throughout the season. The breeder will offer a card with the microchip information and JSAF tag number when a member purchases the wether.
  - b. If the JSAF ear tag comes out, please contact Faith Hughes or Doreen Kisacky so the microchip can be scanned, and a new ear tag placed.
3. **Buyers** of nominated lambs must register for the Florida Born Futurity program by completing the JSAF Florida Born Futurity Buyer's Form and paying the fee in order to be eligible for points.
  - a. Buyers can purchase more than one JSAF Florida Born Futurity nominated lamb, there is no limit.
  - b. Buyers of the top three lambs will receive awards at the end of the year celebration.
4. Unlike the other divisions in the series, in the Florida Born Futurity, the lamb is tracked for points. If the exhibitor of a lamb changes during the season, the new exhibitor can register by completing the Florida Born Futurity form and paying the fee. Point accumulation will start over once the fee has been paid and the new owner can begin accumulating points.



5. **There will not be special classes for JSAF Florida Born Futurity lambs at shows.** Points will be awarded and tracked relative to other Florida Born Futurity lambs. It is recommended that each buyer keep track of their class/division placing and then verify with a JSAF Board member that their placing has been recorded correctly for each show.
6. All proceeds from breeders' fees, buyers' fees, sponsorships, and donations will be applied toward expenses associated with the Florida Born Futurity program and end of the year prizes which are separate from the other division prizes.
7. Awards will NOT be provided at each show, points will be tabulated for recognition at the End of Year celebration.



**D. Points Circuit**

1. **Junior, intermediate and senior division** JSAF members are eligible to receive points for their showmanship and animals' placings at JSAF sanctioned points shows.
2. Membership dues must be paid prior to the start of a show to be eligible to receive points for the show. (See membership section for details.)
3. Points will be tallied by the JSAF Board for end of season awards. JSAF members are encouraged to keep track of their placings and points throughout the season.
4. Points are awarded based on a sliding scale. Showmanship points are based upon a fixed schedule. Class points are based on number of animals in the class. Division points are awarded based on overall placings. (See Below)
5. Showmanship points are awarded to first, second, third, fourth and fifth place in each age division: junior, intermediate and senior.
  - a. **Peewee members are not eligible for points and will receive participation awards at the End of Season Celebration.**

**Showmanship Points Scale**

Division Placing (Jr. Int. Sr.)	<i>Points</i>
First Place	<i>10 Points</i>
Second Place	<i>8 Points</i>
Third Place	<i>6 Points</i>
Fourth Place	<i>4 Points</i>
Fifth Place	<i>2 Points</i>

\*Members who do not place in the top five will be awarded one (1) point for participation in showmanship.



6. Class points for animals are awarded for ONLY first, second, third, fourth and fifth in each class.

**Class Points Scale**

# Sheep/Class	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 or More
First Place	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Second Place		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Third Place			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Fourth Place				1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Fifth Place					1	2	3	4	5	6

7. Division points are awarded for grand champion, reserve champion, third overall, fourth overall and fifth overall for: black face ewes, white face ewes, AOB ewes, hair ewes, market lambs and rams.

- a. Rams will continue to be recognized by JSAF as a single division in the points series. JSAF will not recognize rams by black face, white face, AOB and hair for end of season awards due to the limited number of animals.

### Division Points Scale

Division Placing	Points awarded
Grand Champion	<i>15 Points</i>
Reserve Champion	<i>12 Points</i>
Third Overall	<i>9 Points</i>
Fourth Overall	<i>6 Points</i>
Fifth Overall	<i>3 Points</i>

**\*Divisions:** Black Face Ewe, White Face Ewe, AOB Ewe, Hair Ewe, Market Lambs, and Rams

8. Supreme Champion awards are not eligible for additional points.

#### **E. Florida Born Futurity Points**

1. Buyer must submit the required Florida Born Futurity entry and fee prior to a show to earn points.
2. There will NOT be separate JSAF Florida Born Futurity market classes or divisions at shows. Lambs will show in market lamb classes and be placed by the judge in their respective class according to weight breaks along with all other market lambs. JSAF will then recognize placing against other JSAF Florida Born Futurity lambs in their specific weight class.
3. The highest placing JSAF Florida Born Futurity lamb in the class may not necessarily be the winner of the class. (i.e., the fourth place lamb in the class may be the highest placing JSAF Florida Born Futurity lamb in the class so they would receive fourth place recognition by the judge and be awarded points for the highest placing JSAF Florida Born Futurity lamb in the class.)
4. Class points will be awarded for the top five JSAF Florida Born Futurity lambs in the class.
5. If a JSAF Florida Born Futurity lamb is not placed, it will not receive any points.



### JSAF Florida Born Futurity Class Placing Points Scale

FL Born Class Placing	Points Awarded
First Highest	<i>5 Points</i>
Second Highest	<i>4 Points</i>
Third Highest	<i>3 Points</i>
Fourth Highest	<i>2 Points</i>
Fifth Highest	<i>1 Points</i>

6. Division points - If a JSAF Florida Born Futurity lamb is awarded one of the overall top five placings for the market lamb division, they will receive points for that placing according to the grid below.



### JSAF Florida Born Futurity Placing in Market Division Points Scale

Market Division Placing	Points awarded
Grand Champion	<i>25 Points</i>
Reserve Champion	<i>20 Points</i>
Third Overall	<i>15 Points</i>
Fourth Overall	<i>10 Points</i>
Fifth Overall	<i>5 Points</i>

## F. Shows

1. The JSAF is not responsible for any activities or structures, policies or decisions made by an individual show.
  - a. Please consult the show organizers of the specific show for grievances or questions about the show structure, policies, prizes, or decisions.
  - b. Show organizers have the right to combine ewe divisions due to low numbers of entries.
    - a. However, if ewe divisions are combined, animals shown in the "combined" division will not be eligible for any points at that show for inclusion in tabulations for end of season awards.
2. Only shows designated as official points-eligible shows will be used in tabulations for end of season awards.
  - a. Exhibitors are encouraged to attend other shows. However, no shows that are not official points-eligible shows are eligible for points.
  - b. An official list of JSAF point eligible shows will be published and updated as needed.
  - c. Announcements will be made when there are any changes regarding points-eligible shows.
3. The number of shows used to tabulate end of the year awards will be: total number of JSAF points-eligible shows offered per division, minus one. (I.e., If there are six total points-eligible shows, you can drop one and five shows will be tabulated for points).
4. No points-eligible shows will be added after December 31<sup>st</sup>.
5. Members may attend less than the required number of shows throughout the season, but no special consideration will be given to members without the full number of eligible shows to count.
6. Only shows open to all Florida youth residents are eligible to become a JSAF points series show.
7. Shows must include classes for showmanship and ewes. Market lambs and rams are optional.
  - a. All ewes will be shown by weight.
  - b. Market Lambs must have been born in 2021 and will be shown by weight.
  - c. Ram classes and/or divisions are determined by show organizer.
8. JSAF Florida Born Futurity lambs will **NOT** be shown in a separate division; lambs will show in the market lamb classes and JSAF will recognize their placings in the classes and award points as noted in Section E. Points will be tabulated to determine the top three Florida Born Futurity lambs at the End of Year Celebration.
9. Showmanship is broken by junior, intermediate and senior divisions. If heats are needed due to size of showmanship classes, it is recommended that heats be broken up by grade.
10. Show must agree to have the judge determine top five placings for showmanship, classes, and division overall, regardless if prizes are provided for each of these placings.
11. Shows must agree to provide the JSAF with official results the day of the show via an electronic or paper copy of the recorded show results, or provide JSAF with the results via email within 14 days of the show.
12. A written agreement must be signed, dated, and agreed upon by both parties outlining the JSAF's requirements to become a points-eligible show. If the requirements by JSAF as outlined in the agreement are not followed during the execution of the show, the JSAF reserves the right to cancel the show's status as a points-eligible show.
13. The JSAF is always looking for additional opportunities for our members. Shows within the points series time frame that meet or are willing to meet the above criteria and are interested in becoming a points-eligible show may contact the JSAF to obtain a show agreement.
14. The Florida State Fair is not a points-eligible show.
15. There will be no double point shows.
16. The JSAF will not authorize two points shows on the same date. Beginning 2021, the first show that signs a contract and confirms their show date will be the points-eligible show for the season.
17. Official show results will be posted in a reasonable timeframe on the JSAF website. Members are encouraged to review the postings for accuracy.



## G. Awards/Tabulations

1. The JSAF will maintain a record of points and tabulate for end of season awards. Updates on points will be posted on the JSAF website, with announcements made as available.
2. Members will be eligible to receive awards for up to two (2) ewe divisions to include black face ewes, white face ewes, AOB ewes and/or haired ewes, in addition to showmanship, market lambs, rams and the Florida Born Futurity. If a member shows in more than two ewe divisions, they may be asked to declare the two divisions they wish to be considered for end of season awards. Members will be contacted by the JSAF to determine the division they choose, if necessary.
3. Top five will be recognized for showmanship, black face ewes, white face ewes, AOB ewes, hair ewes, market and rams. Top three will be recognized for Florida Born Futurity. In addition, the top five overall "high point" champions will be recognized based on showmanship and highest singular division placing for junior, intermediate and senior division members.
4. The shows selected for end of year points tabulation may differ by division for each exhibitor, not to exceed the number eligible to count for points. (One show less than the total number of points-eligible shows offered for the season.)
  - a. Example: A member may use show one, three, four and five for showmanship and then shows two, three, four and five for market.
  - b. If additional shows are added to the points series, the number of shows that are eligible to be counted in end of year points tabulation will be adjusted. Shows for points tabulation will still be determined by the total number offered minus one 'drop' show. If this occurs, this will be announced to the membership.
5. In the event of any ties, both members will be awarded for the place they tied for. (Ex. If there is a tie for third place, both receive third place awards and there is NO fourth place award.)
6. Awards are dependent upon available funds obtained from sponsorships, donations, fundraisers, membership dues, and profit from JSAF sponsored shows and/or events.
  - a. Florida Born Futurity awards will be derived from breeders' nomination fees, donations to the Florida Born Futurity program, and buyers' registration fees.
7. Awards will be presented at the End of Season Celebration.

