

# 2016 USSA SUFFOLK YEARLING EWE FUTURITY

***Please note that some changes have been made to the 2016 Yearling Ewe Futurity!  
Changes are notated with \*\*\* leading the rule.***

## **YEARLING EWE EIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

*Please note that the yearling ewe does not have to be nominated as a ewe lamb the previous year to be eligible.*

1. Any purchased yearling ewe is eligible to participate in the USSA Yearling Ewe Futurity.
2. \*\*\* Yearling Ewe Nomination Procedures
  - a. If the yearling ewe was futurity nominated as a ewe lamb, the ewe automatically is nominated as a yearling.
  - b. If the yearling ewe was not previously nominated as a ewe lamb, it is the junior exhibitor's responsibility to nominate the yearling ewe. The cost to nominate the yearling ewe is \$25.
3. Yearling ewes must be nominated by July 1, 2016.
4. Yearling ewes are to be registered in the INDIVIDUAL NAME ONLY. No partnerships, farm, family, 4-H Club or FFA Chapter names accepted in the futurity program.
5. The junior exhibitor of a futurity yearling ewe may not be a family member or employee of the breeder as listed on the registration paper. For purposes of the USSA Yearling Ewe Futurity, family members shall include children, grandchildren, brothers, sisters, nieces and nephews.

## **EXHIBITOR RULES**

1. All juniors who meet the requirements for the Junior Show at the North American International Livestock Exposition are eligible. Rules for the NAILE are:
  - a. The participant must be 21 years old or younger as of January 1<sup>st</sup>. There is no lower age limit but the exhibitor must be physically able to show their own sheep.
  - b. Junior members must be present to show their own sheep unless physically impaired.
  - c. The animal's ownership must be registered with the USSA office by September 1, 2016. Ownership must be in the exhibitor's name. Youth partnerships, farm names or family ownerships are not permitted.
  - d. Exhibitors must have current youth or lifetime membership in the USSA.
2. Yearling Ewes and points earned in the futurity are not transferable to any other person, nor are points transferable from one lamb to another.
3. \*\*\*Yearling ewes shown in any class are eligible for points. *Eligibility is no longer restricted to Suffolk classes.*
4. No futurity entrant may compete with more than two yearling ewes. Total points earned by two yearling ewes cannot be combined.
5. If registration papers are not received by the first show, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to show the yearling ewe in the proper age category and have sales receipt to prove ownership.
6. The registered owner of the yearling ewe must exhibit the yearling ewe. However, if an exhibitor has two yearling ewes in the same class, another junior member may exhibit the second yearling ewe.
7. Premiums: The USSA Yearling Ewe Futurity is a national competition, unlike the USSA Ewe Lamb Futurity which is split into districts. There will be a 100% payback for the Yearling Ewe Futurity. Premiums will be paid out by December 31, 2016.

## **POINT SCORING**

1. A point record form must be filled out for each showing and forward to the USSA office within 21 days of the show. The form must be signed by the superintendent of the appropriate show. All point records must be received by the USSA Office prior to NAILE. The winner will be announced at NAILE Open Suffolk Show.
2. At each individual show the yearling ewe may earn futurity points from a Suffolk class in both open division and/or the junior division.

3. \*\*\*Yearling Ewes may compete at an unlimited number of shows. However, only the top seven (7) point awards go towards their total. *There will be no double points rewarded.*
4. The period for eligible shows will be from the Oklahoma Black and White Sale in April until the NAILE in November of the current year.
5. Futurity points will be awarded according to the following scale\*:

# In Class	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<b>1 - 5</b>	5	4	3	2	1																				
<b>6 - 10</b>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1															
<b>11 - 15</b>	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1										
<b>16 - 20</b>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1					
<b>21+</b>	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

*The Futurity points scale is based on a combination of the class placing and the number of participants in the class.*

An individual, who intends to participate in the USSA Yearling Ewe Futurity, should contact the USSA office to obtain copies of the rules and regulations and point record forms. This information and point record form appearing here may also be used.