

COLUMBIA SHEEP BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION 2025-2026 FUTURITY RULES

DEFINITION

1. The Columbia Sheep Breeders Association of America (CSBA) is the sponsor of the Futurity Program.
2. The CSBA administers the Futurity Program.
3. The program encourages Junior Members to purchase, raise, and exhibit a Columbia ewe.
4. Two competitions are available: 1) Points Futurity and 2) Comeback Futurity.

POINTS FUTURITY COMPETITION

1. Junior members purchase a ewe lamb at a designated sale. (*see Consigner Rules #4 below)
2. Junior members exhibit the lamb at shows and earn points during the year of purchase.
3. After each show, the junior will **submit a completed and dated futurity form within 21 days of the show.**
4. Payout will be for 8 places and 40% of total nomination fees.
5. 1st - 25%, 2nd - 22%, 3rd - 18%, 4th - 15%, 5th - 10%, 6th - 5%, 7th - 3%, 8th - 2%

COMEBACK FUTURITY COMPETITION

1. Junior members purchase a ewe lamb at a designated sale. (*see Consigner Rules #4 below)
2. The futurity ewe returns, as a yearling, to the National Show and Sale to compete in the "Comeback Show" on Friday morning, just prior to the National Open Show.
3. Payout will be for 10 places and 60% of total nomination fees.
4. 1st - 20%, 2nd - 15%, 3rd - 10.5%, 4th - 11.25%, 5th - 10%, 6th - 8.75%, 7th - 7.5%, 8th - 6.25%, 9th - 5%, 10th - 3.75%

CONSIGNOR RULES

1. Futurity consignment is open to all ewe lambs born between September 1, 2024, and May 1st, 2025.
2. Each ewe lamb must bear proper identification which corresponds to the CSBA registration certificate. Flock tag and scrapie tag numbers will be recorded for the futurity program.
3. A nomination fee will be collected for each ewe lamb consigned, by sale management staff from the consigner and payable to the CSBA from approved sales.
 - a. \$35 futurity fee will be collected at the National Columbia Show & Sale \$50 futurity fee will be collected for the Midwest Stud Ram Sale, the Ohio Showcase, Great Lakes Sale, and Montana Columbia Assn Sale.
 - b. \$50 futurity fee will be collected for approved online sales.
 - 1) Online sales must be approved at a regular meeting of the CSBA Board of Directors.
 - 2) Futurity fees must be paid at least one week prior to the online sale.
 - 3) Use the on-line form to nominate ewe lambs for the on-line sale.
 - 4) See the CSBA website for current approved on-line sales.
 - c. Each ewe lamb must conform to and abide by the rules and regulations of the sale to which it is consigned.
 - d. Should an entry be sifted by the judge and not offered for sale as a futurity ewe, the nomination fee will not be returned to the consignor.
 - e. Should an entry not sell, the nomination fee will not be returned to the consignor.
4. A Futurity ewe lamb will be identified with an F paint brand and noted with an F in the sale catalogs.
 - a. Each ewe lamb must conform to and abide by the rules and regulations of the sale to which it is consigned.
 - b. Should an entry be sifted by the judge and not offered for sale as a futurity ewe, the nomination fee will not be returned to the consignor.

- c. Should an entry not sell, the nomination fee will not be returned to the consignor.

EXHIBITOR RULES FOR POINTS FUTURITY and/or COMEBACK FUTURITY

1. There is a maximum of 21 years in age to participate in either show.
 - a. Points Futurity: exhibitors may not exceed 21 years in age on the day of the show for points to count.
 - b. Comeback Futurity: exhibitors may not exceed 21 years in age on the day of the purchase but may be 22 years in age on the day of the Comeback Futurity Show.
2. No minimum age limit to compete in the Points Futurity or Comeback Futurity Show.
3. Exhibitors shall physically, handle and show their own sheep. The exhibitor must show from the head of the sheep exhibited except as noted in rule 4.
4. A beginning exhibitor (11 and under) may seek assistance, in showing a sheep, from one (1) another Junior Member or older adult. The Junior exhibitor **MUST** maintain an active role in showing the sheep.
 - a. It is highly recommended another Junior member assists these young exhibitors in the show ring.
 - b. Unique situations shall be addressed by the CSBA Board of Directors on an individual basis.
5. Membership in the Columbia Junior Association must be paid by and at the time of either show.
 - a. Membership fee is \$10/year. Refer to the CSBA website for details under Jr. Association at www.columbiasheep.org.
6. Ownership of futurity ewes (points or comeback) must be in the exhibitor's name only.
 - a. A Junior member may show a maximum of two (2) futurity ewe lambs in the Points or the Comeback Futurity.
 - b. Points earned are not transferrable to another person or lamb.
 - c. If a Junior Member has two Futurity ewes in the same class, the Junior exhibitor shall exhibit one ewe and may elect to show the second ewe in the alternate class. If the Junior exhibitor chooses to show both lambs in the same class, it is highly recommended another Junior member show the second ewe.

POINT SCORING AND AWARDS

1. Points begin accruing after the purchase of the ewe lamb. Futurity lambs may be purchased prior to the 2025 National Show & Sale, and accumulate Futurity Points. But they cannot accumulate points at the 2025 National Junior Show. The point tally concludes upon completion of the 2026 National Jr. Futurity Comeback Show on Friday morning of the 2026 National Columbia Show and Sale.
2. Premium checks will be awarded at the Annual Banquet.
3. An individual ewe lamb may accumulate points from Open and Junior Shows.
4. Accelerated points will be awarded for the following shows:
 - a. All-American Junior Show (2025) –1.5 x normal point schedule
 - b. NAILE Junior Show (2025) – 1.5 x normal point value
 - c. NAILE Open Show (2025) – 1.5 x normal point value.
 - c. National Columbia Junior Show (2026) – 2 x normal point value

5. **Futurity Form must be submitted on-line within 21 days of the show to the Executive Secretary. The on-line Futurity Upload Form is on the Columbia Website (columbiasheep.org) under the Junior Association Tab.**
6. Any number of shows/forms can be submitted. Only the top 5 point-earning shows will count. The Comeback Futurity show placing will be the tie breaker for the Points Futurity competition.
7. Futurity participants will be required to authenticate the show/competition and placing where the nominated lamb is entered.
 - a. A separate form will be required for each event and ewe lamb.
 - b. The show superintendent's signature and placing will be required upon completion of the show.
 - c. Parents are highly encouraged to review the information before signing and submitting the form.

Ewe lambs purchased by immediate family members are not allowed to participate in the Futurity Program. *The CSBA defines immediate family as a child, grandchild, great grandchild, sister, brother (which includes step, adopted, and foster) or first generation niece or nephew. (New)*

9. Futurity points are tabulated as follows

| # in Class | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th | 6th | 7th | 8th | 9th | 10th | 11th | 12+ |
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| 1-2 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3-4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| 5-6 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | |
| 7-8 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | | | |
| 9-11 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | |
| 12+ | 10 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

Submit Forms On-line within 21 days on the Columbia Website (columbiasheep.org)