The purpose of this competition is to promote sheep and wool. Each member is judged on how well they exemplify the sewing and wearing of wool, along with interest in and support of the 4-H sheep project.

1. Delegates who chose to enter Lead Line **must** write it on their fair entry form.
2. Each 4-H member exhibiting in Lead Line must wear a garment with a fiber composition of at least 70% wool. The garment may be self-made or purchased.
3. The garment may be knit, crocheted, sewn, woven or felted. Jeans may not be part of the outfit.
4. The member must show their owned or leased animal, and the animal must have been shown in the breed or market class at the 4-H show. Rams will be allowed in Lead Line classes.
5. The delegate must clean, block and trim his or her own animal.
6. Halters must be used as the animal is not to be touched while in the ring.
7. No decorating of the sheep is allowed.
8. Each member should provide a 2-3 minute long commentary to be read while the member is showing. Typed commentaries are preferred; handwritten commentaries are allowed but MUST be legible. The commentary should include the 4-H exhibitor’s name, town, state, school & grade, description of outfit, an occasion or setting where it can be worn, fabric content, who made the outfit or how it was obtained. Other information to include are hobbies, future plans and other points of interest.
9. Participants are judged the entire time they are in the ring. Classes will be held for Senior, Intermediate and Junior members.

Members are to be ringside and lined up when their class is announced. Participants will remain in line while waiting to enter the ring. Classes will be held for Senior, Intermediate, Junior and Novice members.

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