



Project Tips - *Breeding Sheep*

Important Dates

February 1:

4-H Re-Enrollment Deadline

Spring (March-May):

MQA Training

April 1:

Animal Care (Primary Care) Form Due

4-H Enrollment Deadline

(New Members)

April:

Producer Class Inspection (Before weaning & tag-in)

June 1:

Animal ID due on 4HOnline

Mid June:

Livestock Record Book Interviews

Late June/Early July:

Fair Entries Close

Early August:

Adams County Fair

September:

Livestock Record Books Due

(Friday before Labor Day)

Project Considerations

Difficulty:

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Cost:

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1. What facilities do you have available, do you live in an area that allows you to have sheep?
2. Are you interested in starting a year-round livestock project?
3. Would you like to show more sheep at the County Fair or raise your own market sheep?

Project Timeline



About the Project

This project is designed for those members who want to learn more about the sheep industry by starting his/her own flock. Members will accomplish the following learning experiences:

1. Learn about sheep
2. How to identify the parts of a lamb
3. Identify breeds of sheep
4. Different types of feeds
5. Evaluating different sheep
6. Exhibit animal on tour, achievement day or at a fair
7. Purchase, feed, and care for animals
8. Evaluate project with leader
9. Learn about nutritional requirements for sheep
10. Compare digestive systems
11. Identifying common diseases of sheep
12. Practice management practices
13. Gain leadership skills by helping others learn about sheep
14. Explore career opportunities in the sheep industry

Project Requirements

Breeding Sheep Project members who intend to exhibit their animals at the Adams County Fair must complete the following to remain eligible for fair entry and exhibition:

1. Enroll in the Breeding Sheep Project by the enrollment deadline.
2. Attend Meat Quality Assurance Training (MQA) annually.
3. Complete and file an Animal Care and Housing Form (Primary Care) on 4HOnline. (leased animals and animals not housed at home must turn form in to extension office).
4. ID all animals in 4HOnline by June 1 deadline.
5. Attend Livestock Record Book Interviews and present an up-to-date E-Record Book.
6. Enter fair classes online by entry deadline.
7. Complete and turn in E-Record Book the Friday before Labor Day to the Extension Office.

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Additional Information - Animal Entry in 4-H Online

1. 4-H members are required to enter their animals in the 4-H Online enrollment system. This page will help summarize the information required in this system.
2. All sheep project animals must be entered in the 4-H Online system no later than June 1st of the current project year.
3. All 'bold' items are required in 4-H Online, Images are optional.
4. It is highly recommended that any and all animals with the potential of attending Fair have ID in 4HOnline, if an animal does not have ID, it will not be allowed at Fair.


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Tag:

Animal Tag ID

Scrapie Flock ID:

(Note: If same as Animal Tag ID, leave blank)

Birthdate: 

Birth Weight:

Breed:

Colors And Markings:

List any characteristics OR Other Breed Name

Dam Name:

Dam Tattoo:

Dam Tag:

Sire Name:

Sex:

Tattoo:

Animal Name:

(optional)

Animal Files 2018-2019

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Resources

- *Breeding Sheep Project Manual - MA25001 – "Sheep Resource Handbook for Market and Breeding Projects" -Order through Club Leader*
- *Adams County Fair Premium Book - www.adamscountyextension.org*
- *4-H Sheep Project Leader*
- *Adams County Extension Staff*

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adams.colostate.edu/4h/news.htm

Record Book

Sheep Project Members complete the Livestock & E-Record and Breeding Supplement. Available at:
<http://co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/projects/e-records/>

Also look for the Supplements found on the same webpage

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Required Information:

Tag/Animal ID - This can be a tag, registration number or tattoo.
Animal Name - Registered Name or 'nickname'
Birthdate - Animals DOB
Sex - Male or Female
Scrapie Flock ID- Scrapies Tag #

Optional Information:

Tattoo, Birthweight, Breed(s), Colors/Markings, Dam and Sire Information, Registration #'s
Premise ID and photos are optional.