

APPROVED PRACTICES FOR SHEEP PRODUCTION

Select the approved practices from the list below which will be of benefit to your enterprise and record them on pages 3 and 4 in your Supervised Agriculture Experience Record Book. (This is only a general suggested list. Detail should be added to match your specific situation.)

1. Select animals which are alert and healthy
2. Choose long, thick, meat-type animals
3. Prepare a clean, draft-free shelter
4. Confine lambs for maximum growth
5. Provide jumps and exercise for show lambs
6. Feed a high quality grain ration
7. Provide adequate forage
8. Supply a properly balanced mineral mix
9. Keep clean, fresh bedding
10. Provide plenty of clean, fresh water
11. Shear animals for maximum growth
12. Develop and implement a sound health plan
13. Control internal and external parasites
14. Vaccinate animals routinely at proper times
15. Train lambs for show
16. Shear and trim lambs for best appearance
17. Trim feet on animals regularly
18. Correctly fill out a show entry form
19. Properly wash a lamb for show
20. Blanket a lamb after it has been washed
21. Select a ram to mate with your ewes
22. Use a breeding harness and check daily
23. Flush ewes before placing ram with ewes
24. Provide a good-quality pasture
25. Prepare a clean, fresh lambing area
26. Iodine lamb's navel at birth
27. Provide newborn lambs with proper shots
28. Place ewe and lambs in "jugs" for good bonding
29. Make creep area for lambs as soon after birth as possible
30. Remove grain from ewes prior to weaning
31. Palpate ewe's udder after weaning - check for problems
32. Cull any sheep with problems
33. Keep accurate production records on flock
34. Market and sell wool
35. Use feeders which will keep wool clean
36. Track market trends and habits
37. Market lambs at optimum time
38. Develop a private market for lamb and wool sales
39. Complete a registration application
40. Keep accurate enterprise records
41. Summarize and analyze records