

## RAM REGISTRATION/INSPECTION & EWE LAMB REGISTRATION INFORMATION ENCLOSED

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### BE AWARE OF CLOSING DATES

Paper forms close sooner  
than online & spreadsheets

### Online Login

Member No: memberno3  
Password: password

**Email Address** (*this is the current email address on your records*). To ensure you receive the most up to date information from the Society, you must ensure we hold the correct address. If this is blank, please update with the office immediately. It is your responsibility to ensure this is correct.

**Email address held: Email**

Dear dear,

### Ram Inspection/Registration 2026 (Form RR1)

Members are asked to complete their applications (Online Flock Book & Registry preferred – login details on forms). **Only complete applications with full payment will be accepted. Late entries will not be accepted, hence will not be eligible for registration.**

What you need to do now to notify your shearling (2025 born) rams for Inspection/Registration

- Enter your rams for one of the below inspection centres, either, via the Online Flock Book & Registry, email a spreadsheet or use the enclosed paper forms.
- Note the rules and regulations can be viewed online or please contact the office to obtain a copy.
- Ensure the correct payment is sent to the office, (preferably by BACS) by the closing date. UK members = £31.20 inc. VAT (Ireland members = €30.15 net VAT or €36.20 inc VAT – depending on your VAT status)
- Closing date for SHEARLING RAM APPLICATIONS (see last column below)
- LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED and will NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR REGISTRATION
- **We are very pleased to inform you that we will be working with Innovis to offer the Ram (DNA) Genotype Scheme in partnership with GenomNZ. I enclose, on a separate page, what are the benefits of having your rams tested. Should you wish to participate could you please ring the Innovis office direct on 01970 828236 to request the kit etc. or through the Innovis website <https://www.innovis.org.uk/services/genotyping-service/> Also, please tick the box on the ram form to indicate that you wish your rams to be tested and then I will send your name on to Innovis. Please note that the deadline for the return of the DNA kit is Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2026.**

Thursday, 11th June	Skipton Market	Friday, 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Melton Mowbray Market	Closing Date for entries Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> May (Paper forms) Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> May (Online/spreadsheet)
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Carmarthen Market	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Ross-on-Wye Market	Closing Date for entries Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> May (paper forms) Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> May (Online/spreadsheet)
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Exeter Market	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Frome Market	
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Hailsham Market	Wednesday, 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Welshpool Market	
Thursday, 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Bryncir Market	Friday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Kennedy's farm, N.I.	
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Tullamore Market, R.O.I.			Closing Date for entries Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> May (paper forms) Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> June (Online/spreadsheet)
Sunday, 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Thainstone Market	Monday, 27 <sup>th</sup> July	Orkney	
Tuesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> July	StirlingMarket	Wednesday, 29 <sup>th</sup> July	St. Boswells Market	
Thursday, 30 <sup>th</sup> July	Lockerbie Market	Friday, 31 <sup>st</sup> July	Kendal Market	

*These venues are subject to change. If there are insufficient numbers entered for any venue, it may be cancelled. Breeders with rams entered for a venue that becomes cancelled will be asked to take them to another venue. Please also note that all Vendors will be asked to attend at a specific time and it would be appreciated if you could adhere to this to ensure the smooth running of the day.*

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## SHEARLING RAM REGISTRATION

Remember - All rams presented for inspection must be bare clipped after the 1st May, and before the date of inspection.

### RAM NAMES

Ram names are optional. If you choose to name your ram, the name must begin with the correct, Society-approved letter for the specific year:

Ram Born	Registered as Shearling Ram	Initial Letter
2025	2026	O
2026	2026	P

Choose from one of the following three options to register your Shearling Rams:

### Option 1 - Online



Simply click the green button & follow the instructions on the screen on the Society Website or go directly to <https://breeds.grassroots.co.uk/LLEYN>

### Option 2 - Emailing a spreadsheet

This spreadsheet can be created manually or via your on-farm software. It is recommended that you speak to the Society Office if creating for the first time to help you set off on the right track. Tip: tag number format matters

This is an example of how a RAM REGISTRATION SPREADSHEET EXAMPLE should look like when completed

Society Ram Ear Tag No	Ram UK Number or IE Number	Ram Name	Sex (M)	Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY)	Sire UK Tag or IE Tag	Dam UK Tag or IE Tag	Litter size (1/2/3/4)	Signet (Y/N)	DNA (Y/N)
06789	UK0123456	Owen	M	01/04/2025	UK0876543 00345	UK0123456 04567	3	N	Y

You can download a Ram Registration Spreadsheet template from the Society website – Ram registration page

Use this RAM REGISTRATION SPREADSHEET TEMPLATE to enter your Lleyrn Rams Registration details.

Please save the spreadsheet with your name and flock number

### Method of Payment *(BACS payment is preferred)*

Payment is preferred by BACS, cheque (sterling only) or for applications made via the Online Flock Book & Registry, payment can be made using a credit or debit card or by PAYPAL.

For direct bank transfer (BACS) please pay to:

#### STERLING

Bank : HSBC  
Sort Code : 40 37 30  
Account No. 21013548  
Account Name: Cymdeithas Defaid Lleyrn

#### EURO (BACS) BANK TRANSFER

Bank : HSBC  
Sort Code 40-12-76  
Account No : 68234193  
Account Name : Cymdeithas Defaid Llyn  
IBAN : GB27 HBUK 4012 7668 2241 93  
BIC : HBUKGB4B

**Please make sure you add your flock number as the payment reference.**

By cheque – sterling cheques made payable to Cymdeithas Defaid Lleyrn or Lleyrn Sheep Society. **Unfortunately, we cannot accept EURO cheques.**

Yours sincerely,

Secretary

**Data Protection:** The personal information gathered on these forms is collected for legitimate reasons to process your registrations. The Society takes the security of your details seriously and will not pass this information to third parties unless legally obliged to do so. The information will be stored on the Society database until no longer required or asked to remove by yourself. Should you have any queries about the use of your data, please contact the office immediately.

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**Online Login** (you can do them online):      **Member No:** memberno4      **Password:** password1

Name: : **Fullname**

Prefix: **prefix**

Diadell/Flock :**memberno**

Address: :**addr1line**

Email: **email1**

RhifDaliad / Holding No (CPH) )**holdingno**

Rhif UK/EI Flock No : :**UKTAG**

**Rams born in 2025**

A yw'r meheryn / Are the rams? (please circle one)

**Maedi Visna Accredited / NonAccredited**

Dymunaf i'r meheryn a ganlyn gael eu harchwilio yn:

I wish to have the following rams inspected at: \_\_\_\_\_ (insert centre name)\_ Total number \_\_\_\_\_

1	Rhify Maharen Ram No.	Ram Name Born 2024 (N)	Litter Size	Signet Y/N	Sire Flock Number	Sire Year Born	Sire Tag Number	Dam Flock Number	Dam Year Born	Dam Litter Size	Dam Tag Number
1		0									
2		0									
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	Rhify Maharen Ram No.	Ram Name Born 2024 (N)	Litter Size	Signet Y/N	Sire Flock Number	Sire Year born	Sire Tag Number	Dam Flock Number	Dam Year Born	Dam Litter Size	Dam Tag Number
18		0									
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**PLEASE REMEMBER TO RETURN THE APPLICATION BY THE APPROPRIATE CLOSING DATE OTHERWISE YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO HAVE YOUR RAM(S) INSPECTED/REGISTERED**

Comments:

**TALIADAU/ REMITTANCE**

Amgaeaf dâl o / I enclose the fee (UK = £31.20 inc VAT per ram) (EU = €30.15 net VAT or €36.20 inc VAT per ram – subject to your VAT status)	£	€
<b>By entering the rams for inspection you are confirming that you have read and agreed to all the rules</b>		
Arwyddwyd / Signed:	:	
Print		Dyddiad/Date:

Please tick one:

Pay by cheque (enclosed)

Pay by BACS – Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Don't forget Society flock no as reference)

**Please tick the box if you want me to send your name on to Innovis for DNA testing.**

## **LLEYN SHEEP SOCIETY ARE WORKING WITH INNOVIS - TO HAVE YOUR RAMS DNA TESTED**

Below you can see what are the benefits of having your rams DNA tested. This service is offered by Innovis for the Lley Sheep Society members. If you are interested, please note that you will have to ring Innovis direct to request a kit on **01970 828236** or through the Innovis website (<https://www.innovis.org.uk/services/genotyping-service/>). The deadline for submitting the kit to Innovis will be **Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2026**, in order to guarantee that the results will be back in time for all the Autumn sales.

***Please consider this offer and hopefully you will benefit from the results.***

Below I quote from an e-mail the Society have received from Janet Roden, Geneticist at Innovis Ltd. Dated 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2026. "We are delighted to collaborate with the Lley Sheep Society to offer the Ram (DNA) Genotype Service to members, in partnership with **GenomNZ**. We have collaborated closely with GenomNZ for the past seven years across other areas of our business and have complete confidence in their ability to deliver a first-class, reliable genotyping service. All samples will be analysed in New Zealand using an **80,000 SNP assay** developed by **AgResearch** and supported by decades of national and international research. This platform enables the sheep industry to benefit from validated scientific discoveries across both New Zealand and UK flocks, while ensuring full global SNP compatibility.

### **As part of the service, members will receive:**

- Scrapie genotypes (with certificate)
- Eight additional marker tests (see below) including tests to GDF-8 muscling (often known as MyoMAX), prolificacy genes (including FecXG) and genes currently under investigation in relation to relative resistance/susceptibility to Maedi Visna)
- The ability to verify parentage and pedigree for a small additional charge

In addition, full the genomic profiles will be shared with Signet for the development of genomic breeding values, and the results of the gene tests will be made available to the Society to allow monitoring of genotype frequencies in the breed. This will bring considerable benefits to the whole breed.

The price for this service is **£18.50 per sample**, excluding the cost of the sampling kit. This price is the same for any number of samples submitted and is exclusive to the Lley Sheep Society Ram (DNA) Genotype Service. In order to access this price and take part in the scheme **please ring the Innovis office (01970 828236) to order your genotype test.**

Members may take their own samples and will return them directly to Innovis. The new service requires the use of the **Allflex Tissue Sampling Kit**. This kit is already widely used in our breeding programmes and is commonly adopted for BVD testing in cattle. You can order the sampling kit from Rosemary in the Innovis office, or through the Innovis website (<https://www.innovis.org.uk/services/genotyping-service/>). Innovis can provide an applicator on loan if needed.

The new service operates with a **six-week turnaround time** from sample submission to the return of results. We therefore encourage members to collect samples well ahead of sales. Samples will be dispatched to New Zealand on the **second and fourth Thursday of each month.**

### **What are the 9 marker tests?**

1. Scrapie
2. BCO2 – Yellow Fat - The BCO2 gene produces an enzyme that is required for the breakdown of yellow pigments absorbed through the animal's diet. If sheep have two copies of the variant of the BCO2 gene, where the enzyme is not active causing the pigment to build up in the animal's cells resulting in carcasses with yellow fat.
3. GDF8 – MyoMAX - The GDF8 gene regulates muscle growth. A specific variant of the gene originally from the Texel breed impairs this regulatory function and causes an increase in muscle production and a decrease in fat production.
4. GDF9 – Number of Lambs Born - The GDF9 gene has been found to be associated with increased ovulation rate in a number of sheep breeds.
5. PITX3 – Microphthalmia - A mutation in this gene, typically seen in the Texel breed and their crosses, causes extremely small or missing eyes and subsequently blindness if the animal carries two copies of the mutation.
6. BMPR1B – Booroola - Booroola sheep have a mutation that in the BMPR1B gene increases ovulation rate and litter size in sheep.
7. FecX(I) – Inverdale - The Inverdale FecXI mutation occurs in the BMP15 gene on the X chromosome and increases the ovulation rate and litter size in heterozygote females (one copy of FecXI) but causes infertility in homozygotes (two copies of FecXI).
8. TMEM154 – putative association with MV resistance/susceptibility - A number of studies have suggested that several mutations in this gene are associated with relative resistance or susceptibility to Maedi Visna infection. Evidence suggests that there is not an absolute relationship, but the two genotypes reported may reduce the probability of testing positive when virus is known to be circulating in a flock.
9. FecX(G) – prolificacy - FecXG (Galway) is a mutation in the BMP15 gene on the X chromosome that is associated with exceptional prolificacy in sheep, homozygotes (two copies of FecXG) causes infertility in females. This mutation behaves in a similar manner to the Inverdale mutation."