

Polite Reminder



Sheep Health at Sales

**It's your responsibility that your
sheep are in good health**

IT IS UNFAIR TO PUT OTHER BREEDERS SHEEP AT RISK!

If your sheep are showing signs of a contagious disease (e.g. Orf, New Forest), the 'Sale Society Inspectors' may ask for some or all of your consignment to be removed from the sale.

Note: If this means that you do not have enough females forward to sell the number of rams you have entered, your rams or some of your rams may not be sold.

If you have concerns speak to the Society office or Society Chairman before bringing your sheep to the sale.

See sale Inspector Guidelines over page

Lleyn Sheep Society Sale Inspector Panel Guidelines

It is advised the sale inspection panel follows these guidelines when undertaking an inspection at a Lleyn Sheep Society Sale.

WHEN IS THE INSPECTION, AND WHO ARE THE INSPECTORS

- The inspection panel is made up of the nominated Senior Sales Officer and the nominated members. These nominations are made by the Society Council
- The inspection is to take place from outside the pens prior to the start of the sale

All Female Sheep

HEALTH

- Any sheep showing signs of a live contagious disease (e.g. orf, new forest) must be removed from the sale centre, where necessary the whole pen may be removed, i.e. where there is seen to be a high percentage of infected stock in the pen.

TYPE/COSMETIC/STANDARD

- All sheep must comply with breed standards
- No trimming is allowed
- Colouring is discouraged
- Black patches are to be dealt with on an individual basis at the discretion of the inspection panel
- It is left to the Inspection panel on the day to make the necessary decision. If it is felt that sheep do not fit the necessary expectations, the inspectors can ask the vendor to remove them from the sale.

QUALITY/CONDITION

- If the inspectors believe that animals are detrimental to the sale, breed and Society, they can ask the vendor to remove those in question from the sale.

TAGGING

- A random check should be done across the female sheep to ensure they are tagged in accordance with the Society rules (the Society flock number and year of birth MUST be printed on the secondary tag or a third tag that could be a Society Tag.)

SLIDING SCALE/ENTRIES FORWARD

- The inspectors should make a note where possible of the females forward against the number of rams. They should pay special attention to empty pens and large entries of rams.
- If a breeder has to remove females and it means that they do not have enough females forward to present the number of rams entered, the said breeder may be asked to remove some of their rams from the sale.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

- Ultimately the Senior Sales Officer and the Inspection panel must make the necessary decision on the day. It is asked that common sense is used so that everyone can get the best out of the Society sales.
- Where necessary the panel may ask for sheep to be removed from the sale
- All offenders must be noted and reported to the Promotions Committee for the October meeting so that where necessary letters of highlight can be sent to try and resolve the issue for another year.
- For long term re-occurring offenders, the Society can undertake flock inspections.

All Rams

It is advised that the inspection panel observes the rams for health and condition. They should also consider the trimming & colouring rules. The sliding scale rule must be noted. The panel should use its discretion when observing the rams and undertake action where felt necessary.