

SHEEP

Sonoma County 4-H

Name: _____ Date: _____

Guidelines for Project Proficiency Award

Beginner:

Date
Completed Leader's
Initials

Head

1. Be able to identify three wool breeds and three meat breeds and explain the difference between wool and meat breeds. _____
2. Discuss which breeds are available in your area and why. _____
3. Identify sheep parts from a diagram or a sheep (i.e. head, neck, etc.). _____
4. Explain what a bummer lamb is and how to raise one (how to feed, when to feed, how much to feed, etc.). _____
5. Describe and explain different types of equipment used to prepare a lamb for show. _____
6. Identify these terms: ram, ewe, whether, dock, castrate, tag or crutch, shear, trim, jailor jug, purebred, gestation, parturition. _____
7. Explain three ways an owner can mark sheep for identification. _____
8. Explain the age of a sheep by its teeth. _____

Hands

1. Discuss housing and feeding equipment necessary for sheep (market lambs). _____
2. Explain all the steps required to prepare a lamb for show. _____
3. Be familiar with showmanship techniques, including flipping. _____
4. Submit management records for a minimum of 60 days including feed, costs, management techniques (to raise a market lamb). _____
5. Demonstrate how to show sheep's teeth and discuss the need. _____
6. Show how to trim hooves and discuss the need. _____

Heart

1. Take part in a showmanship or judging contest. _____
2. Attend a Sheep Field Day or Judging Field Day. _____

Health

1. Discuss internal and external parasites, the different ways of parasite control and assist in deworming. _____
2. Show how to take a temperature for sheep and know what the normal temperature is. _____
3. Explain why exercise is important. _____
4. Explain 3 ways to dock lambs and assist a leader with one way. _____
5. Give a demonstration at County Field Day. _____

Project Leader's Signature of Completion: _____

Date: _____

Club Leader's Signature of Completion: _____

Date: _____