

SHEEP

Sonoma County 4-H

Name: _____ Date: _____

Guidelines for Project Proficiency Award

Intermediate:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Leader's</u>
<u>Completed</u>	<u>Initials</u>

Head

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Understand and be able to explain the following terms: flushing, cull, heat periods, pure breeding, close breeding, line breeding, out crossing, grading up, cross-breeding, open faced. 2. Submit a management record plan for 1 year for a proposed breeding project or your own (i.e. 5 ewes and a ram to be bred to raise lambs. Include an inventory of feed to be purchased, a vaccination program, ram management, ewe management, lamb management, complete budget). 3. Explain the protein requirements of a fair lamb during the 60-day feeding schedule. Explain the different types of feeds and their advantages (i.e. 0 min 12%). 4. Keep a personal reference library of sheep literature that will be helpful in your project. 5. Explain the grading system at the fairs (i.e. what the difference is between each market group). 6. Know and explain the difference between yield grade and quality grade. 7. Be familiar with grading wool. 8. Explain the digestive process of sheep. 9. Explain the parts of a sheep stomach. 10. Balance a feed ration for sheep at various stages of production. | <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> | <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> |
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Visit a commercial sheep operation. Learn how ewes are housed during lambing, management procedures throughout the year, how lambs are marketed, how wool is sold. 2. Attend livestock sales and observe marketing methods. 3. Assist in shearing sheep. 4. Learn how to skirt a fleece. 5. Learning how to properly tie a fleece. 6. Demonstrate how to dock and castrate a lamb. Explain health precautions to take. | <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> | <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> |
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Project Leader's Signature of Completion: _____

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Club Leader's Signature of Completion: _____

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Heart

1. Invite and introduce a guest speaker at one of your club meetings.
2. Cook and help eat some lamb.
3. Help a new member select a lamb.
4. Help another member in a sheep project.
5. Give an oral report at a project meeting or a county group meeting or do a demonstration on a sheep-related subject.

Health

1. Be familiar with these diseases: Urinary calculi, grass tetany, white muscle, blue tongue, mastitis, epididimites, vibrio, navel ill, scours.
2. Be able to explain in detail these diseases: foot rot, enterotexemia C & D, tetanus, pneumonia, sore mouth, bloat.
3. Be able to give an injection and oral medication. Know the difference between subcutaneous and IM injections.
4. Set up a flock health management program and include control of both external and internal parasites.
5. Give a demonstration at County Field Day.

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