

**WYOMING WOOL GROWERS ASSOCIATION**  
**SELECT BRED EWE SALE**  
**SALE RULES**

The Wyoming Select Bred Ewe Sale is sponsored by the Wyoming Wool Growers Association and will be held at the Cam-Plex, Gillette, Wyoming. The sale will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 25 following a lamb lunch held for buyers and consignors at 11:30 am.

**1. ENTRIES**

1.1 Entries will be accepted from sheep producers who are members in good standing of the Wyoming Wool Growers Association for the current year. Being a consignor, or buyer, at the Wyoming Ram Sale is not a requirement to consign to the ewe sale.

1.2 Consignments will be accepted in the following classes of any breed ewe:

- a. Open ewe lambs and yearlings (wool/terminal/hair)
- b. Bred, 2 year old ewes
- c. Bred, running age ewes
- d. Bred, broken-mouthed/short-term ewes

1.3 Consignments will sell on-site in lots of 5, 10, 20, 50, 75, or 100 head. On-site lot minimum is 5 head. Any lots over 20 head will be sold by preview lot (10 head) through the sale ring. All consignments must be present at the sale facility. All lots must have a video to showcase their ewes, submitted with any data that the consignor would like presented (micron, fleece weights, lambing percentage, etc.). This information must be received by **February 6 with entry forms and fees.**

1.4 Consignors must specify the desired number of each class of ewes they will sell when submitting the consignment form.

1.5 On-site consignors can bring no more than two lots in each class of 5, 10 or 20, or 50 head and a maximum of five on-site lots. A maximum of 100 ewes will be accepted from an individual consignor.

1.6 An application for consignment is due by January 30. Entry forms, entry fees, video file and data sheets are due by February 6. Entry fees for all lots are \$7.50 per head.

1.7 A 7% commission will be deducted from sale proceeds on all ewes sold.

- i. "NO SALE" ewes sold on-site will be assessed 5% commission on the floor price set by the consignor PLUS all associated charges, including brand inspection fees. "NO SALE" semi-loads will be assessed a 3.5% commission on the floor price set by the consignor.
- ii. One bid shall not be considered an auction unless the Owner consents.

**2. CONSIGNORS**

2.1 All ewes must be on the grounds by Friday at 5 pm. Ewes may not arrive before 10 am on Friday, unless prior arrangements have been made with the sale manager.

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2.2 All sheep on the grounds are held at Consignor's risk until sold. Ownership changes when the sheep are sold in the ring. Sheep are held at purchasers' risk thereafter. Consignors are responsible for taking care of the animals until loaded out after the sale.

2.3 Consignors must provide grain/hay and troughs for feed and water. *Pens will be bedded at beginning of sale.*

2.4 The seller guarantees all animals to be females and confirmed bred or open, accordingly. **A signed affidavit with signatures from consignor and ultrasound technician is required to guarantee ultrasound data presented (confirming pregnancy) or an ultrasound technician will be present on sifting day to confirm pregnancy status of ewes.** All other guarantees are between buyer and seller.

2.5 All sheep sell as commercial (non-registered) animals. If sheep can be registered, and buyer wishes to register them, all arrangements and fees are between buyer and seller.

2.6 Official sale write-up of 100 words or less, and video/photos of ewes must be submitted to the WWGA office by February 6.

- i. Comments posted regarding any data must be verifiable through third party documentation.

### **3. BUYERS**

3.1 TERMS OF THE SALE: CASH, CHECK OR CREDIT CARD. Standard credit card fees will apply. Credit card fees will be posted at the sale clerks table on the day of the sale. Out-of-state buyers who have not purchased sheep previously through the Wyoming Wool Growers Association and therefore do not have established an acceptable record of sufficient funds being available for clearance of checks **MUST** have a letter of credit from their bank PRIOR to being issued a buyers number. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE WWGA OFFICE AT 307-265-5250 or [alison@wyowool.com](mailto:alison@wyowool.com) PRIOR TO SALE DAY.

3.2 Private sales before or during the auction are strictly forbidden. Private sales made after the auction closes and while sheep are on the grounds are permitted provided the transaction is immediately reported to the Sale Clerk. The regular commission and associated fees will be collected. Consignors bringing extra sheep to be sold outside the Sale will be denied the privilege of selling sheep through future Association sales.

3.4 All purchases are to be settled on the day purchased, with the sale clerks on the grounds.

3.5 Make all checks payable to the Wyoming Wool Growers Association. Any checks returned as "non-sufficient funds" are subject to a \$100.00 collection fee.

3.6 SETTLEMENT FOR ALL SHEEP SOLD THROUGH THE RING OR PRIVATELY AFTER THE AUCTION HAS CLOSED, SHALL BE MADE WITH THE CLERK OF THE SALE.

### **4. POST AUCTION RULES**

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4.1 Load out can begin once a buyer has completed the purchase of ewes and the load-out crew is set to start. Arrangements to load at other times must be made with sale manager.

**No unsupervised loading is allowed.**

**5. HEALTH**

5.1 Consignments must be scrapie tagged and pouched for external parasites at least two weeks and not more than four weeks before the sale. Any out of state ewes coming to sale grounds must comply with Wyoming State Health Requirements, including import permits or codon testing, if required.

5.2 Consignors certify their sheep will be free from external parasites, parrot mouth, inverted eyelids, poor udders, etc. The WWGA reserves the right to conduct random checks to ensure compliance. Ewes will be checked for soundness, age-appropriate dentition, condition, udder quality, and pregnancy status. Any ewe that has a questionable physical defect or health concern will be examined by the sale veterinarian who will determine if a ewe is sellable. Consignors are expected to be present during the inspection and help handle ewes in their consignment. If a ewe is sifted, it will be marked and must be removed from the sale barn immediately.

5.3 Consignors checking in more than one lot must differentiate between lots with chalk marks or ear tags at home.

5.4 Pens of 5, 10, 20, 50, 75, or 100 must be accompanied by a health certificate of veterinarian inspection that will allow the animals to be shipped to any other state.

**Requirement for Consignors Recap- for more details, see rules:**

- Affidavit confirming pregnancy signed by Ultrasound technician and seller
- **Or**, confirmed bred day of sale by on-site ultrasound technician
- Ewes must be bred, unless providing ewe lambs or yearlings
- Provide ewes that are free of disease, parasites (internal/external), sound, good condition, and good confirmation (eyes, mouth, body, legs, udder, etc.)
- Each ewe must have scrapie tags in the ear upon arrival at the sale
- If selling multiple lots, please have clear indication of different lots by chalk/paint/ear tag or some clearly identifiable markings prior to arrival at the grounds
- Health Certificates, branding inspections
- 100 word or less write up about the ewes/operation, video/photos of each lot (due Feb. 6)
- Data/information sheet (due February 6)
- Entry fees and sheet (due February 6)
- Consignment application submission (due Jan. 30)