

SOUTH ISLAND COOPWORTH BREEDERS SINGLE ENTERED RAM FAIR RULES

Conducted under the auspices of the Gore A & P Association at their Showgrounds

1. All rams must be single entered and passed by Society inspectors.
2. Aged single entered Rams are eligible but must have been re-inspected within three months of sale date and have at least three months wool growth.
3. All entries must be accompanied by a copy of the Flock Brucellosis Accreditation Certificate. Entries cannot be accepted without this certificate.
4. Substitution is not encouraged but is allowed at the sale committee's discretion. Once a ram has been catalogued, it cannot be sold in any other order.
5. The committee has the right to exclude or limit entries.
6. The vendor with the highest average price based on rams entering the ring at the previous year's sale shall sell first, to be followed in descending order with new vendors balloted to complete the first run. There will be two runs with rams split evenly, in the event of an uneven number of rams, the vendor retains the right to catalogue that ram in either the first or second run. Aged rams will be catalogued in the order preferred by the vendor.
7. Sheep offered for sale may be dipped, but only with dips registered for lice and ked control. Society Inspectors will have final jurisdiction in event of any dispute arising from contravention of Society Rule 10, covering presentation of sheep for sale. Under this rule the Committee also reserve the right to exclude suspect rams from the sale, to take wool samples from all rams for testing, and under Rule 7, to suspend vendors from future sales. Rams so rejected will not be eligible for Society transfer.
8. Entry fee of \$60.00 plus GST inclusive per entry to be paid, sold or unsold.
9. Time Limits: 30 seconds will be allowed in which to obtain the first bid which shall be not less than \$800.00 thereafter bidding shall continue at a maximum of 15 second intervals. If the bidding on the ram under offer shall reach \$2,000.00 an extension of time will be allowed at the discretion of the Ram Fair Committee.
10. Any ram not sold in the ring cannot be purchased outside the ring for less than \$1,000.00.
11. All stock shall bear the catalogue number allocated by the Committee – tag affixed to wool on middle of sheep's back directly behind the line of the shoulder blade.
12. A veterinary certificate issued within ten days before date of sale, and bearing the tag or tattoo number of each ram must be displayed on the pen and no ram shall be offered in auction which is not covered by such certificate.
13. Uniformity of card information. Where dam is screened this must be stated. Extra information can appear in the comment on S E Card. Additional relevant productive information may be displayed in the pen, no static displays or comments of any advertising nature are permitted. The committee reserves the right to judge the relevance of all information supplied. It is the vendor's responsibility to have displayed on pen copy of S E Card.
14. Sale to be run under normal Stock and Station terms.
15. On the fall of the hammer the lot becomes the property of the purchaser and must not be handled without the purchaser's consent.
16. Rams will not be inspected to export standards (Ref. Section 2 Rule 8 in Society Regulations).
17. When each ram is knocked down by the Auctioneer, the purchaser's name or names must be clearly announced before the next ram enters the ring.
18. No vendor will be allowed on the Rostrum whilst selling is in progress.
19. Unless entered for the sale, no rams shall be allowed on the Showgrounds.
20. All sheep must be submitted under the hammer. No private sales will be allowed until so submitted.
21. Vendors are requested to ensure their rams are free from ked and lice otherwise sheep may be debarred from sale.
22. The entry of rams in this sale carries with it an undertaking by the vendor that the purchase price (without interest, costs or damages) will be refunded should the ram prove totally infertile or incapable of service, except in case of accident or injury) after purchase. This undertaking shall not affect the right of Vendor and Purchaser to make mutually satisfactory arrangements for a sheep to be replaced.
23. Insurance of all rams to be the responsibility of the Vendor and Purchaser exclusively.
24. Grazing left to private arrangement prior to sale.
25. The sale directors are empowered to keep alleyways from which the sheep are submitted absolutely clear of the public.
26. All stock must be removed from the precincts of the Showgrounds within 24 hours of the completion of the sale unless special arrangements are made.
27. Every Vendor who enters a ram or rams in the sale shall be deemed and agree to these conditions of entry and sale.
28. Provision of Entry Form for a declaration by a Vendor if a ram is to be offered under special conditions eg Retention of a part share of a ram or retention of, or prior sale of semen from, or embryos by, the said ram, etc. This declaration must be displayed on the pen and announced by the auctioneers when the ram enters the selling ring.
29. **Entries will not be accepted unless a signed Society Single Entry Ram Card and a Transfer Certificate along with the Entry Fee accompany all entries.**
 - a) Please use new S E Cards
 - b) If a ram is from a screened ewe it must be stated
 - c) Wool grading is optional
30. Dam of ram entered must have reared or be rearing 150% of lambs by her 4 tooth lambing.
31. Date ram shorn must be stated on S E Card under comments.
32. Eye muscle scan results may be shown on card providing date of scan, liveweight of animal at that time and name of scan operator are stated.