

RULES OF ROMNEY STUD RAM FAIRS

Conducted under the auspices of the Gore A & P Association

All entries to be accompanied by entry fees

No late entries will be accepted

1. The Sale will be conducted by the Gore Stock Agents' Association.
2. All entries to be made in writing on printed forms supplied and signed by the Vendor or his authorized agent.
3. Sale open only to Stud sheep.
4. SIL is no longer required to be mandatory.
5. Any Vendor failing to supply pedigree at time of entry is excluded from the draw.
6. Vendors who in the opinion of the Sheep Committee do not comply with the rules of entry will not be eligible to offer their sheep for auction.
7. Vendors must in all cases correctly describe each lot and give the name of the breeder in every case. Any lot wrongly described and the name of the breeder incorrectly given is liable to disqualification and dues thereon forfeited.
8. The Gore A & P Association does not accept any legal responsibility in the case of wrong description of any lot but takes every care to prevent errors as far as possible.
9. The Vendor must determine, when making his entry, the order in which his sheep are to be sold, also declare the name of the selling agent for each lot.
10. The following details regarding the Order of Sale shall be a guide to the Ram Fair Committee as to the position of the Vendors. The average prices for all Rams offered at auction by each Vendor at the Association's Fair held in the immediately preceding year shall be calculated and the Rams of the Vendor who then secured the highest average price shall be offered first, the Rams of the Vendor who then secured the second highest average price shall be offered next, and so on in the descending order of such average prices, and then the Rams of the Vendors who did not sell a Ram at the Association's Fair held in the immediately preceding year, shall be offered, and the order of offering such last mentioned rams shall be determined by ballot. If any two or more Vendors should have equal average prices calculated as aforesaid, the Order of Sale for the Rams shall be decided by ballot. (Romney averages will be calculated on a minimum base of four). All vendors' entries will be catalogued and sold in the order in which they are shown on the entry form.
11. Vendors offering one Ram only, the single will be sold in the first round. Romney Vendors offering two Rams or less may offer all in the first round or divide their entry into two runs at their option. Other Breed Vendors with two or more entries will have their entry divided into two runs. Romney Vendors offering three or more Rams shall have their number divided in half, the first half to be offered in the first run and the balance in the second run and in the case of an uneven number, the greater half to be offered in the first run.
12. Time Limits: 30 seconds will be allowed in which to obtain the first bid which shall be not less than \$700.00 for Romney, thereafter bidding shall continue at a maximum of 15 seconds intervals. If the bidding on the animal under shall reach \$5,000.00 an extension will be at the discretion of the Sale Committee; after \$10,000.00 an extension will be at the discretion of the Auctioneers.
13. The Vendor's reserve will be the starting bid. Auctioneers will nominate all bids to be taken.
14. If the entry of entries are made which in the opinion of the Committee is/are calculated to take undue advantage of the Rules governing the Sale the Committee is empowered to use its discretion as to placing a portion of such entry or entries in a later draw.

15. No sheep other than those catalogued for sale will be allowed on the Showgrounds during the day of the Fair without the consent of the Ram Fair Committee.
16. In the event of any Vendor being short in his entry his pen or pens shall remain unoccupied.
17. All sheep catalogued for sale must be submitted to auction. No private sales will be permitted before being offered.
18. Any ram not sold in the ring cannot be purchased outside the ring for less than \$1,000.00. Rams purchased for transfer to be \$1,500.00.
19. In the event of a Vendor not being ready to have his sheep put in their respective order as catalogued they shall be passed and held over until the end of the Fair.
20. All stock shall bear the catalogue number allotted by the Committee. A number on PVC backing to be affixed by glue to the middle of their back just behind their shoulder line, or attached around their neck.
21. All sheep shall be offered and sold subject to the rules of the sale as published in the catalogue.
22. All stock must be removed from precincts of Showgrounds within twenty-four (24) hours of completion of sale, unless special arrangements are made with the Secretary/Caretaker of the Gore A & P Association.
23. The auctioneer must announce the name and address of the purchaser of each ram on the fall of the hammer.
24. All Romney Rams must be offered as catalogued except those injured or unfit for sale, which may be substituted by another with the consent of the Ram Fair Committee.
25. The entry fee shall be \$70.00 (GST inclusive) per ram.
26. The Ram Fair Committee reserves the right to limit the number of entries if required, prior to compiling of the catalogue.
27. On the fall of the hammer the lot becomes the property of the purchaser and must not be handled without the purchaser's consent.
28. The conditions of sale shall be those under which the N.Z. Stock Agents' Association operates and which are exhibited on the Rostrum.
29. The Ram Fair Executive reserves the power to refuse any entry.
30. No vendor will be allowed on the Rostrum whilst selling is in progress.
31. 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 infertile or incapable of service, except in the case of accident or injury after purchase. Any complaints must be lodged with the Auctioneers within six months of purchase. This undertaking shall not affect the right of Vendor and Purchaser to make mutually satisfactory arrangements for a sheep to be replaced.
ALL RAMS WILL CARRY A FULL GUARANTEE BY THE VENDOR FOR TWO CALENDAR MONTHS FROM DATE OF SALE.
32. All entries must be accompanied by a copy of the Flock Brucellosis Accreditation Certificate. Entries cannot be accepted without this certificate.
33. Any ram which is offered for sale under special conditions eg part-share only, retention of a store of semen, prior sale of semen, sale or semen rights, retention of semen rights, or all of the preceding substituting embryos for semen, shall have this and the division of the share clearly stated on the entry form and entered in the catalogue in precise terms and concise form. The Vendor will also state the possession factor, number of ewes to be mated by each shareholder and any grazing charges payable and this information, along with that printed in the Catalogue and intended by the Vendor, shall be displayed on the pen and announced by the Auctioneers when the ram enters the ring.