

RULES AND CONDITIONS OF SOUTHERN TEXEL RAM SALE

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

1. The Sale will be conducted by the New Zealand Stock Agents' Association.
2. Vendors must be members of the Southern Texel Breeders Club and have their pure and appendix flocks registered with the New Zealand Texel Society: except that to obtain adequate numbers for the sale entries may be invited from other registered breeders at the discretion of the Sale Committee.
3. All rams offered for sale must be from Registered Texel pure ewes and sired by registered Texel Single Entered rams.
4. **Current** Brucellosis accreditation certificate is required with entry. Entries will NOT be accepted without this certificate.
5. Rams will have been vet inspected within two weeks prior to date of sale and must display the certificate on ram pen on sale day.
6. The closing date for entries is 2nd December 2017. No late entries will be accepted.
7. The entry fee is \$75 plus GST (\$86.25) per pen. Pens are to be for one ram only.
8. Entries must be accompanied by the appropriate fee.
9. There will be no refund of entry fees.
10. All rams offered for sale must be Microphthalmia non-carrier DNA tested. Proof to be submitted to sale committee before sale day.
11. All rams to be penned by 8.30 am. Selling commences at 11.00 am.
12. The minimum price is \$500. Rams passed in the ring will not be available for sale on the day for less than \$600 or the vendors reserve whichever is the greater.
13. Vendors are responsible for maintaining a high standard of physical soundness in their entries. The Committee will appoint a referee from outside the club who will advise the committee in the event that any rams put forward for sale are considered to reflect negatively on the breed. The committee reserves the right to have such animals withdrawn from the sale.
14. The auction shall be in two rounds and the same order of sale will apply to the second round as the first. Half of each vendors rams penned will be sold in each round but entries of only one ram or rams over from a split entry will be included in the first round.
15. The Vendor must determine, when entering, the order in which the rams are to be sold and also declare the name of the selling agent for each lot.
16. Order of Sale will be determined by the last years average price received for rams entering the ring. The vendor with the highest average will sell first followed by others in descending order. New vendors will be balloted for order after the vendors with previous sale averages.

17. Rams for the sale must be shorn between 20 July 2017 and 21 October 2017.
18. Rams entering the sale may be dipped, but not coloured, oiled or singed.
19. It is the vendor's responsibility to display flock rams cards on the pen.
20. No ram shall be entered for sale unless the bona fide vendor is named.
21. Unless entered for sale, no rams for sale shall be allowed on the showgrounds.
22. All rams must be submitted under the hammer. No private sales shall be allowed until the completion of the sale.
23. The sale committee members are empowered to keep alleyways from which rams are submitted absolutely clear of the public.
24. All stock must be removed from the showground no later than 10.00 am on the day following the sale.
25. Insurance of all rams is the exclusive responsibility of the vendor and purchaser.
26. Every lot will be the purchaser's responsibility from the fall of the hammer. No error omission or misdescription shall any way invalidate the sale or be made the subject of any claims for compensation from either the sale committee or the auctioneers.
27. Time Limits: 30 seconds will be allowed in which to obtain the first bid which shall be not less than \$500, thereafter bidding shall continue at a maximum of 15 second intervals. If the bidding on the animal under offer shall reach \$2000, an extension of time will be allowed at the discretion of the Ram Fair Committee; after \$10000 an extension will be at the discretion of the auctioneers.
28. The sale committee has the right to exclude and limit entries.
29. After the commencement of the sale no ram may be withdrawn from the sale without the approval of the sale committee.
30. All lots will be offered under the approved conditions of the Gore A & P Association.
31. Any rams sold for \$1,500 or more are eligible for Single Entry and transfer unless vender advises otherwise before the Ram Fair selling commences. This clause is subject to the ram meeting Texel Society requirements.
32. Only scanning measurements taken before 30 April 2017 can be displayed on the pen.
33. Every vendor and purchaser entering into this sale shall be deemed to accept and agree to these conditions of entry.
34. All production indexes and breeding values presented are from the New Zealand Genetic Evaluation (NZGE). Rankings to be within flock and each ram is ranked out of the number of ram lambs weaned.

Lot numbers must be left on ALL sheep (including passed-in entries) until they leave the grounds.