

**EWE LAMB  
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# THE CREED OF THE 4-H STOCK KEEPER

**I will:**

1. Provide comfortable and sufficient quarters for my livestock
2. Feed my livestock on time each day
3. Provide animals with clean water at all times.
4. Keep my animals free from parasites.
5. Strive to keep my livestock in good health
6. Learn as much as possible about the best methods of feeding and caring for livestock
7. Strive to improve the breeding and quality of my livestock, and of the livestock in my community, from year to year.
8. Be kind to animals
9. Always be a good sport in competition
10. Keep an accurate record of my projects.
11. Strive to fulfill the basic requirements of being a 4-H Club Member.

**I have read and agree to abide by this creed.**

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

## ABOUT MY EWE LAMB PROJECT

Name of Animal \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

PID # \_\_\_\_\_ Location of PID # \_\_\_\_\_

CSIP Eartag \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Eartag \_\_\_\_\_

Breed of lamb \_\_\_\_\_ Purebred  Crossbred

Dam Breed/Name \_\_\_\_\_

Sire Breed/Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date project animal purchased, or chosen from your flock \_\_\_\_\_

Purchased from \_\_\_\_\_

Purchase price or initial value: (B) \_\_\_\_\_

(If Lamb is Purebred include Pedigree)

**Tip:** Round to two decimal places. For example: use 2.96 lbs instead of 2.956 in your calculations.

**Tip:** Use consistent units of weight throughout your record book - either imperial or metric. You may want to discuss this with your project leader.

**Conversions to use:** 1 lb = 0.454 kg or 1 kg = 2.2 lbs

Examples: 600 lbs x 0.454 kg/lb = 272 kg

250 kg x 2.2 lb/kg = 550 lbs

## **PHOTOGRAPHS**

Include two photos: One taken of your ewe lamb within 2 weeks of your club's weigh-in / registration and the second at Achievement Day or within 2 weeks of. (Label and include date)

# PROJECT PLANNING

Why did you choose this project?

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What skills do you want to learn or improve on?

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What goals do you want to accomplish with your project?

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Your project animal requires regular care and management. Explain what you regularly do for, or with, your animals on a daily, weekly, monthly and yearly basis. Be as specific as possible.

**Remember to consider the following:**

- Feeding and watering practices
- Bedding
- Trimming
- Vaccinations
- Shearing
- Health check
- Cleaning pens, feed and water containers
- Check and repair fence

**What I will do for my project animal...**

Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly

## RECORD OF MY EWE LAMB'S PROGRESS

Fill out the monthly project reports only for those months when you are working on your project.

Month	Comment - How did your project do this month, questions, ideas?	
	Member:	
	Leader:	Leader Initials:
	Member:	
	Leader:	Leader Initials:
	Member:	
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	Member:	
	Leader:	Leader Initials:

# Health Record

Date	Condition Being Treated	Treatment ( Medication, amount, and Route of Administration)	Withdrawl Time	Cost(s)
Nov 28	Prevent Parasites	Dewormer at 1ml/22lbs. (Oral)	49 days	\$0.41
<b>Total Health Care Cost (F)</b>				<b>\$</b>

**Administration Methods**

- Oral (O)- In feed, balling gun, drenching bottle, etc.
- Topical (T)- Poured over topline
- Subcutaneous (SubQ)- Injected beneath the skin but not into the muscle
- Intramuscular (IM)- Injected directly into muscle
- Intervenous (IV)- Injected into a vein
- Internasal (IN)- Administed up the animals nose

**Withdrawl Time-** Defined as the time needed after administraion of a drug to ensure that drug residue in the marketable meat is below a determained Maximum Residue Limit (MRL). The animal may not be sold for slaughter during this time.



## FEED RECORD EXPLANATION

### Important Feed Terms

- Nutrients – Needed for maintenance, growth, production and reproduction. Animals require water, protein, carbohydrates (energy), vitamins, and minerals.
- Balanced Ration – A feed mixture that supplies an animal’s entire daily nutritional needs.
- Roughage – High fibre feed. Example: hay, silage, straw, green feed.
- Concentrate – High energy feed. Example: barley, oats, corn.
- Supplements – A combination of nutrients added to feed to balance a ration. Examples: salt, minerals, limestone, molasses, etc.
- Feed additives – Other ingredients added to a ration to improve feed efficiency and weight gain. Example: Rumensin

### Example

#### MONTH: May

Feed Type	Days on Feed	Weight per Day (lbs)	Monthly Weight (lbs)	Cost per lb	Cost per Month
Barley	31	4	(31 days x 4 lbs) 124 lbs	\$0.08	(124 x \$0.08) \$9.92
Hay	31	1	31	\$0.05	\$1.55
Salt	31	0.1	3.1	\$0.09	\$0.28
		Total Feed This Month	158.1	Total Cost this Month	\$11.75

**TIP:** If you need more space under feed type, put in items such as salt and supplements in “Other Project Related Costs”.

# MONTHLY FEED RECORD

Include the values of pasture, silage, hay and grain that your project animal eats. If you share feed with someone else, calculate and record only the value of the feed your own animals eat.

Monthly Record For: \_\_\_\_\_

Feed (Grains, Hay, Supplements, Pasture)	Days on Feed	Weight per Day kgs/lbs	Monthly Weight kgs/lbs	Price per Weight Unit (\$)	Monthly Feed Cost (\$)
			<b>Total (G1)</b>		<b>Total (H1)</b>

Monthly Record For: \_\_\_\_\_

Feed (Grains, Hay, Supplements, Pasture)	Days on Feed	Weight per Day kgs/lbs	Monthly Weight kgs/lbs	Price per Weight Unit (\$)	Monthly Feed Cost (\$)
			<b>Total (G2)</b>		<b>Total (H2)</b>

Monthly Record For: \_\_\_\_\_

Feed (Grains, Hay, Supplements, Pasture)	Days on Feed	Weight per Day kgs/lbs	Monthly Weight kgs/lbs	Price per Weight Unit (\$)	Monthly Feed Cost (\$)
			<b>Total (G3)</b>		<b>Total (H3)</b>

## MONTHLY FEED RECORD CONTINUED

Monthly Record For: \_\_\_\_\_

Feed (Grains, Hay, Supplements, Pasture)	Days on Feed	Weight per Day kgs/lbs	Monthly Weight kgs/lbs	Price per Weight Unit (\$)	Monthly Feed Cost (\$)
			<b>Total (G4)</b>		<b>Total (H4)</b>

Monthly Record For: \_\_\_\_\_

Feed (Grains, Hay, Supplements, Pasture)	Days on Feed	Weight per Day kgs/lbs	Monthly Weight kgs/lbs	Price per Weight Unit (\$)	Monthly Feed Cost (\$)
			<b>Total (G5)</b>		<b>Total (H5)</b>

Monthly Record For: \_\_\_\_\_

Feed (Grains, Hay, Supplements, Pasture)	Days on Feed	Weight per Day kgs/lbs	Monthly Weight kgs/lbs	Price per Weight Unit (\$)	Monthly Feed Cost (\$)
			<b>Total (G6)</b>		<b>Total (H6)</b>

## MONTHLY FEED RECORD CONTINUED

Monthly Record For: \_\_\_\_\_

Feed (Grains, Hay, Supplements, Pasture)	Days on Feed	Weight per Day kgs/lbs	Monthly Weight kgs/lbs	Price per Weight Unit (\$)	Monthly Feed Cost (\$)
			Total (G6)		Total (H6)

Monthly Record For: \_\_\_\_\_

Feed (Grains, Hay, Supplements, Pasture)	Days on Feed	Weight per Day kgs/lbs	Monthly Weight kgs/lbs	Price per Weight Unit (\$)	Monthly Feed Cost (\$)
			Total (G7)		Total (H7)

**Total Cost of Feed** - Add the cost of each month's feed.

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# GROWTH CHART

**Growth Chart** (Ewe Lamb Weigh in - Sept 30)

200 lbs									
180 lbs									
165 lbs									
150 lbs									
135 lbs									
120 lbs									
105 lbs									
90 lbs									
75 lbs									
60 lbs									
45 lbs									
30 lbs									
	Initial Weigh-In	Month 1	Month 2	Month 3	Month 4	Month 5	Month 6	Month 7	Month 8

- Mark the **initial weight** at the appropriate location on the left-hand side of the table.
- Mark the **estimated final weight** at the appropriate location for the number of months in the feeding period.
- Connect these 2 points with either a straight or curved red line.

Each time you weigh your animal, record that weight on the **Growth Chart**, connect this point with the previous actual weight or weight estimated using Girth Method on the next page.

Your animal should be weighed monthly to keep an accurate account of its growth.

### Target Breeding Weight

Ewe lambs are generally ready for reproduction at 70 - 75% of their mature weight.

I estimate my ewe lamb's mature weight will be (kg/lbs)

70 - 75% of her mature weight puts my ewe lamb's breeding target at (kg/lbs)

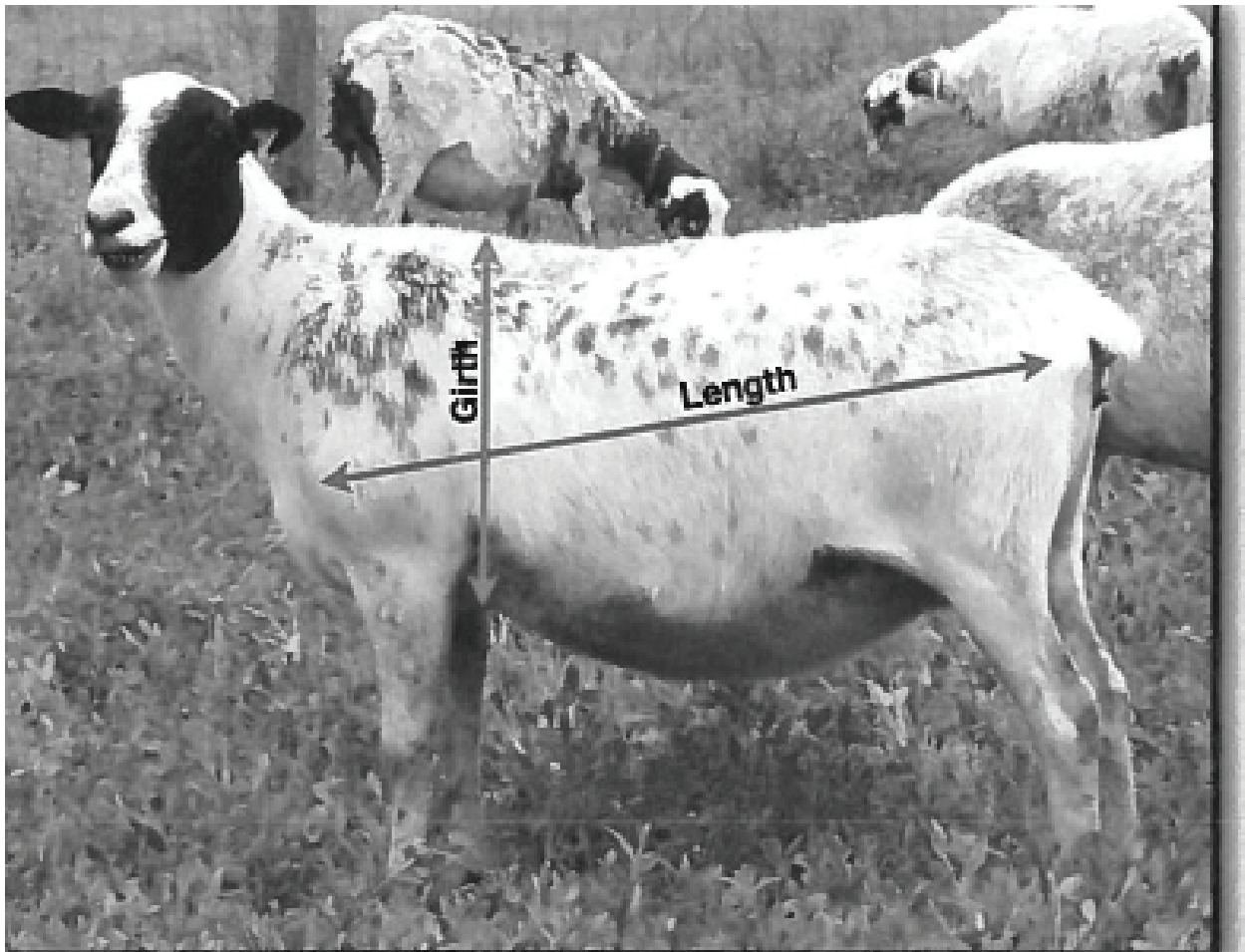
- Mark this target weight on the growth chart at the month you are hoping to expose her to the ram, with a red dot.

## GIRTH METHOD

With hair sheep this system is quite accurate in determining weight within 1 or 2 pounds. With wool sheep it's difficult to know how tight to pull the tape to get a measurement on the size of the sheep under the wool, so getting accurate inches to do the math is harder.

Measure from the point of the shoulder to the pin bone, and around the heart girth. Pull tape snugly around heart girth.

- Accurately Dose Dewormers & Medications
- Know Market Lamb Weights For Sales
- Know Average Weight of Rams & Ewe Flock



**GIRTH X GIRTH X LENGTH ÷ 300 = WEIGHT WITHIN 2 lbs.**







## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

### Total Expenses

Initial Value of Animal

	<b>(B)</b>
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Health Expenses

	+	<b>(F)</b>
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Feed Expenses

	+	<b>(H)</b>
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Project Related Expenses

	+	<b>(L)</b>
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### Total Expenses

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# Gestation Table

Date of Service	Watch for Lambs	Date of Service	Watch for Lambs	Date of Service	Watch for Lambs	Date of Service	Watch for Lambs	Date of Service	Watch for Lambs	Date of Service	Watch for Lambs	Date of Service	Watch for Lambs
Jan. 1	May 26	Feb. 24	Jul. 19	Apr. 19	Sep. 11	Jun. 12	Nov. 4	Aug. 5	Dec. 28	Sep. 28	Feb. 20	Nov. 21	Apr. 15
Jan. 2	May 27	Feb. 25	Jul. 20	Apr. 20	Sep. 12	Jun. 13	Nov. 5	Aug. 6	Dec. 29	Sep. 29	Feb. 21	Nov. 22	Apr. 16
Jan. 3	May 28	Feb. 26	Jul. 21	Apr. 21	Sep. 13	Jun. 14	Nov. 6	Aug. 7	Dec. 30	Sep. 30	Feb. 22	Nov. 23	Apr. 17
Jan. 4	May 29	Feb. 27	Jul. 22	Apr. 22	Sep. 14	Jun. 15	Nov. 7	Aug. 8	Dec. 31	Oct. 01	Feb. 23	Nov. 24	Apr. 18
Jan. 5	May 30	Feb. 28	Jul. 23	Apr. 23	Sep. 15	Jun. 16	Nov. 8	Aug. 9	Jan. 1	Oct. 2	Feb. 24	Nov. 25	Apr. 19
Jan. 6	May 31	Mar. 1	Jul. 24	Apr. 24	Sep. 16	Jun. 17	Nov. 9	Aug. 10	Jan. 2	Oct. 3	Feb. 25	Nov. 26	Apr. 20
Jan. 7	Jun. 1	Mar. 2	Jul. 25	Apr. 25	Sep. 17	Jun. 18	Nov. 10	Aug. 11	Jan. 3	Oct. 4	Feb. 26	Nov. 27	Apr. 21
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Jan. 16	Jun. 10	Mar. 11	Aug. 3	May 4	Sep. 26	Jun. 27	Nov. 19	Aug. 20	Jan. 12	Oct. 13	Mar. 7	Dec. 6	Apr. 30
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Jan. 23	Jun. 17	Mar. 18	Aug. 10	May 11	Oct. 3	Jul. 4	Nov. 26	Aug. 27	Jan. 19	Oct. 20	Mar. 14	Dec. 13	May 7
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Feb. 20	Jul. 15	Apr. 15	Sep. 7	Jun. 8	Oct. 31	Aug. 1	Dec. 24	Sept. 24	Feb. 16	Nov. 17	Apr. 11		
Feb. 21	Jul. 16	Apr. 16	Sep. 8	Jun. 9	Nov. 1	Aug. 2	Dec. 25	Sept. 25	Feb. 17	Nov. 18	Apr. 12		
Feb. 22	Jul. 17	Apr. 17	Sep. 9	Jun. 10	Nov. 2	Aug. 3	Dec. 26	Sept. 26	Feb. 18	Nov. 19	Apr. 13		
Feb. 23	Jul. 18	Apr. 18	Sep. 10	Jun. 11	Nov. 3	Aug. 4	Dec. 27	Sept. 27	Feb. 19	Nov. 20	Apr. 14		

## CONTINUING THE PROJECT & PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR

### Estrus (Heat) Record

Use this page to record estrus (heat) cycles. Keeping a record of estrus cycles will help you predict when breeding will most likely be successful. Detecting estrus in ewes can be difficult; using a ram marking harness will make it easier to see if the ewe has stood for the ram.

Keep a record of the following information using the indicated symbols:  
 estrus (E)   standing heat (S)   bred (B)

#### January

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

#### February

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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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#### March

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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

#### April

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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

#### May

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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

#### June

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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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29	30					

#### July

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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

#### August

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29	30	31				

#### September

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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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29	30					

#### October

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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#### November

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#### December

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29	30	31				

## EWE LAMB BREEDING RECORD

Did you flush your ewe lamb before breeding? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ or No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, how and for how long? \_\_\_\_\_

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### Condition Scoring:

- 1: very thin - hip bones and ribs can be seen
  - 2: lean - can feel ribs
  - 3: good condition
  - 4: over conditioned - folds of fat developed over ribs and around tail head
  - 5: fat - blocky appearance, mobility impaired by fat
- (optimal breeding at 2.5-3.0)

Condition Score at Breeding: \_\_\_\_\_

Bred By or To	Date First Exposed to Ram	Date Last Exposed to Ram	Projected Due Date	Comments

## EWE EVALUATION

Teeth, feet, and udders need to be evaluated for culling purposes. Ewes pass their genetics on to their offspring, often passing on their unsound conformation. Culling unproductive and unsound ewes reduces your flock's costs.

### Udder and Teats

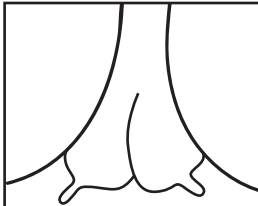
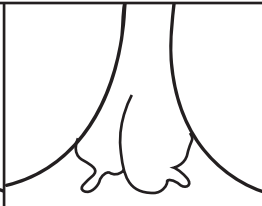
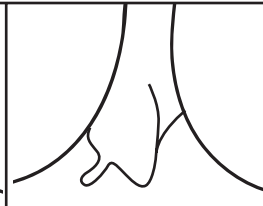
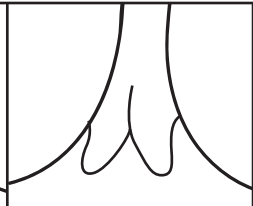
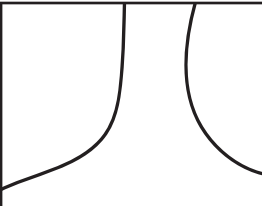
A sound udder is one that is free from any structural defects and allows the lamb(s) to suckle easily. When a ewe's udder is not sound, the milk yield may be less, reducing lamb(s) growth rates and chances of survival. The incidence of udder abnormalities tends to increase with age.

Udder checks are done by hand about the same time their offspring have their tails docked, are castrated and ear tagged.\* Reach down and cup the udder in your hand; feel for the size, warmth, and density of the udder, and if both sides are equal. Check the teat lengths and widths. As you are learning to check udders, if there is something that feels different, tip the ewe on her rump to see the whole udder and determine what is happening.

\*Note: See the Canadian Sheep Code of Practice for details on timing and pain mitigation.

<https://www.nfacc.ca/codes-of-practice-sheep>

Check the udder below that best describes your ewe's udder conformation. (View from behind)

				
Udder evenly balanced, smooth and warm 2 average size teats	Udder unevenly balanced, one side cold or very warm that feels lumpy	Udder unevenly balanced, one side shrunk and not producing milk	Udder balanced or unevenly balanced, 3 or more teats or very large teat(s)	None of these descriptions work, this is what the ewe's udder looks like

### Feet

Hoof and foot conformation is critical to a ewe's longevity in the flock. The condition of animals deteriorate if they can't easily move to food and water. Both ram and ewe lameness can severely affect fertility. Foot rot, which is contagious, is also more prevalent in animals prone to lameness.

This ewe had to have: (check one)

No hoof trimming       Some hoof trimming       Extensive hoof trimming

### Teeth

Tearing and pulling of fibrous plants make a sheep's teeth subject to lots of mechanical stresses. A breeding animal's teeth and mouth conformation are important to ensuring longevity.

This ewe has: (check one)

No teeth issues       Some teeth issues       Trouble with her teeth

## EVALUATION OF MY EWE LAMB PROJECT

1. What were the strengths of your Ewe Lamb? (conformation, temperament, etc)

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2. What were the weaknesses of your Ewe Lamb? (conformation, temperament, etc.)

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3. What would you do differently with your Ewe Lamb if you were starting the year again? (change frame, feeding, breed, etc.)

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4. What was the most important thing you learned about your Ewe Lamb?

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5. Will you keep or sell this Ewe Lamb? Will you use the Ewe Lamb as a Yearling Ewe Project?

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6. What is the most important NEW thing you learned during your Ewe Lamb project year that you can share with others? (tips from others, health and welfare, etc.)

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**CLIPPINGS PAGE:** *Add in your notes, pictures and clippings here. Add MORE pages as necessary*

# RECORD BOOK - Livestock Marking Guide

This is just a guide - clubs can add, delete or change any of the book to suit the clubs' needs.

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age Group: JR/INT/SR

**BASE BOOK -Completeness(Including Accuracy pages)**

All pages to be filled in or N/A marked

About Me/About my Club		/8
My 4-H Year Plan		/2
Record of Club Activities		/4
Record of District, Regional & Provincial Activities		/4
Code of Conduct		/4
Financial Summary for 4-H year		/4
Story of my 4-H Year		/4
Neatness & Personality- Base Book Only		/8

**INSERT - RECORD BOOK**

Accuracy: All records and calculations should be complete.

	Project one	Project two	Project three
My Project /Project Planning	/5	/5	/5
Stock Keeper's Creed	/2	/2	/2
Picture - Beginning & End Project Picture	/5	/5	/5
Growth Chart/Rate of Gain	/6	/6	/6
Health Record	/4	/4	/4
Other Expenses	/4	/4	/4
Monthly records (to a maximum of 10 points)	/10	/10	/10
Project Financial Summary Records	/10	/10	/10

**Neatness: Inserts**

Neatness is more than penmanship. It also includes spelling, punctuation, spacing & consistency. Corrections should be minimal & neat.

**Personality: Completed Book**

4-H Communication Activity/Judges sheets		/4
4-H Handouts - Agenda, Financials, Etc.		/4
Organization & presentation of material		/4
Originality & Creativity		/4
Quality Photos & pictures - titled & dates		/6
Clipping Pages Newspaper & magazine articles		/6

**Attention to Detail:**

This Mark recognizes the members that have contributed extra to their record book

Total Points

General Comments::