

JACOB SHEEP SOCIETY

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SHOW AND SALE INSPECTION GUIDANCE

Firstly, I would like to thank the panel of inspectors who have agreed to carry out the inspections at all official Jacob Sheep Society Shows & Sales throughout the country. As this can be a very difficult job to do, could I please bring to your attention the following guidance detailing what I would like you to check when conducting inspections on behalf of the Society.

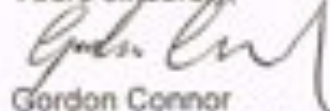
1. **Eyes:** Check for split and raised eye lids and reject any sheep showing these faults.
2. **Mouths:** Check mouths are correct in all lambs, shearlings and two-shear sheep. Aged sheep (i.e. three shear or over) which are a little forward on the pad will be passed but this must be announced by the auctioneer when selling. Vendors must adhere to this or sheep will not be allowed to be sold.
3. **Horns:** Any sheep with forward horns will be automatically rejected.
4. **Pasterns:** Must be correct in all sheep.
5. **Testicles:** All males of any age must have two testicles of even size.
6. **Udders:** If the udder in any ewe has any minor faults like lumps this must be announced by the auctioneer when selling. Vendors must adhere to this or sheep will not be allowed to be sold. Ewes with more serious problems, i.e. lost quarters, will be rejected.
7. **Blaze:** All sheep must have a clear white blaze running from the top of the head to the muzzle.

It would be advisable to write fault comments next to individual sheep entries in the catalogue then submit the annotated catalogue to the auctioneer so he can announce the noted faults before selling.

I do hope all of the above will make your job a lot easier and leave any cosmetic issues for buyers to consider at their discretion.

If you want to discuss any of the above please contact me on any of the above contacts listed.

Yours sincerely,



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