

Reason Terminology for Market Lambs

Market lambs are generally placed on a combination of the following characteristics:

- Muscle
- Performance
- Correctness of Leanness
- Balance
- Structural correctness

Key Terms:

- Rack
- Handle
- Leg
- hindsaddle

hocks & pasternals

Muscle

Desirable

- heavier muscled
- More powerfully constructed
- More expressively muscled
- more natural muscle shape
- Bolder Racked
- grabbed with bulge to his leg
- more inner bulge to his leg
- spans with and dimension to his rack and loin

Undesirable

- light muscled
- narrow made
- plainer in muscle shape

Finish

Desirable

- firmer handling
- more optimal in his finish
- fresher handling
- more ideal in his finish
- trimmer handling
- more correctly finished

Undesirable

- soft handling
- stale handling
- excessively finish

Carcass

Desirable

- ◇ -should rail more total pounds of hind saddle
- ◇ -more carcass *spanish* oriented
- ◇ -more total pounds of product
- ◇ -hang a carcass posting a more desirable yield grade
- ◇ -rail a carcass requiring less retail fat trim

Undesirable

- ◇ -least carcass value
- ◇ -least pounds of product
- ◇ -low cutability carcass (fat ones)
- ◇ -Should rail the ~~post~~ lightest carcass

performance

Desirable

- taller fronted, more upstanding whether
- taller statured
- larger outlined
- longer bodied
- wider chested
- bolder bodied

Undesirable

- smaller statured
- lower fronted
- shorter sided
- narrow chested
- flat sided

upstanding in rack shape

Balance

Desirable

- nicer balanced, nicer profiling
- longer necked
- More extended through his front end
- ties a longer neck, higher into a more tightly wedged shoulder
- wedged in neater into the point of shoulder
- stronger topped
- Comes squarer out his dock
- tighter hided

Undesirable

- plainer in his makeup
- easy topped
- shorter fronted
- more conventional about his front end
- Steep docked

Structure

Desirable

- more structurally sound
- stronger pasterned
- bigger footed
- Bigger in his foundation

Undesirable

- ↙ -weak pasterned
- buck kneed
- narrow based
- steep docked
- parrot mouth (over shot jaw)

Goats

- buck knee does

Reason Terminology for Breeding Ewes

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dock

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Projections

- * -More brood ewe potential
- * -more replacement potential
- * -offer more breeding versatility to the flock
- * -be a more versatile breeding piece
- * -offer more longevity to the flock
- * - Should produce the heavier muscled, faster growing offspring

dock

Volume

Desirable

- Bolder Bodied
- Bigger Bodied
- highest volumed
- bolder ribbed
- bolder sprung
- comes out of her spine with a more functional shape to her rib

Undesirable

- flat ribbed
- Shallow bodied

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Sheep Terms

Market lambs -

- Handles with more touch and tone down a fresher firmer top
 - Handles fresher and firmer over his rack and loin
 - Handles with a bolder turn to his loin edge
 - Touches back fuller and fresher to the center portion of his loin and comes squarer to his edges
 - Sets a wider deeper loin in front of a stouter squarer hip
 - Wraps more inner leg and outer thigh
 - Wraps more circumference of leg
 - Creases more shape down his top
 - Handles with more width and depth to his loin
 - Meets my hand with more muscle mass and volume
 - Squares up with more shape to his rack and maintains this muscle advantage over his loin and drops down with the most circumference of leg
 - Opens up with the boldest, freshest top
 - Creases/turns/grabs/handles with more meat animal shape
 - Squares up with the most shape to his rack and progressively thickens from there back
 - If ribbed should expose a larger eye
 - The compositionally cleaner wether should thus rail a higher cut ability carcass
 - The wider based, heavier muscled lamb will unquestionably rail a carcass with more total pounds of product
 - Should return more muscle content
- ### Structure/balance/rib
- Stands squarer from hock to ground
 - Truer up front
 - Stronger pasterned
 - Has more angulation to shoulder and knee
 - Poses/views with a higher quality presence from the profile
 - Projects a longer thinner neck that ties more correctly into the top of a smother shoulder
 - Poses the most impressive look from the side
 - Drops down out of his spine into a squarer rib design and carries this uniformity to his flank
 - Youthful and uniform in his rib shape
 - The wider chested wether is more youthful in his rib and above this
 - Comes stouter out of his dock and accordingly stands wider and squarer from hock to ground

Ewes -

- Wider constructed, higher volumed

- The wider chested female opens up into a more practical rib design
 - Drops down into a squarer rib cage and carries this uniformity to her flank
 - Opens up into a bolder rib design
 - In a close opening decision of the broodiest appearing, tallest statures ewes, its her extra elegance from the profile, as she's a longer, thinner necked ewe
 - Sure some may prefer the elegance of the two ewe as she offers a higher quality front end and draws leveler from there back
 - Incorporates a shapely, productive rib cage
 - Her elegance coupled with pure powers stouter
 - Massive bone work
 - Extremely long measuring
 - Sleek, cool, youthful appearance
 - Foundation ewe
 - Extra quality and feminine look
 - Its from the profile where she distinguishes herself
- Performance projection -

Here's clearly the best balanced, most attractive ewe who not only offers the highest quality front and the levellest design but, she's also the stoutest boned and soundest structured. If she breeds true to her type her added elegance should allow her lamb crop to attract more attention ringside.

Transitions and "Fluff"

- In a top pair of... it's a matter of...that allows-to beat -
 - Is a more impressive lamb when I get my hands on him
 - By no surprise the Hampshire appearing wether is stouter boned and squarer designed
 - Of the remaining three...
 - Just as importantly
 - Now sir
 - Nonetheless it the matter of ...
 - Its...that compels me to use him over...
 - In a growth enhanced initial pair of two carcass driven wethers I favored..
 - Because of this...advantage...
 - But where he falls into the concluding pair is...
 - Staying committed to the market fundamentals of muscle and leanness
 - Not only views to be...but further validates this upon handle
 - From the out side studies with the most dimension to his lower leg and grabs accordingly
 - And as a direct result...
 - ...Complementing this...
- As expected..
 - His...makes for a much easier middle decision

- In terms of carcass merit...
- On the other hand..
- But overriding this
- His...splits the ...pair
- To be concise
- ...favors the
- Heavier structured
- Look coupled with pure power
- In a close opening pair a favored/preferred ...
- Now I see how some may prefer...but for me...
- Now perhaps the most challenging decision lies...
- Of the initial/ remaining three.
- More specifically
- Should ultimately culminate in...
- I see value in
- Concerns me structurally
- Beyond/Despite this...
- But this aside
- Needs more...to move up I class
- Uniquely...
- Not being too critical
- Yet he warrants criticism...
- Disappointingly...
- After this...
- His terminal strengths and potential cut ability advantage...
- Is out powered by hi previous counterparts
- Perhaps...
- ...Quickly sorts the middle pair
- I still give the edge in dimension and width to...

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Hogs

Plants

B pushes w/ best hindley
"drives at me"

toes

