

## **SOUTH DAKOTA SHEEP GROWERS PREMIUM EWE SALE**

The SDSGA Premium Ewe Sale is sponsored by the South Dakota Sheep Growers Association and will be held at Magness Livestock Auction, in Huron, South Dakota. The sale will be held at **2:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 26th, 2025**. Free lunch will be available.

### **ENTRIES**

1. Entries will be accepted from South Dakota and regional sheep producers who are members in good standing of the South Dakota Sheep Growers Association for the current year.
2. Membership is accepted at time of entry. Annual dues provide membership in both the SDSGA and the American Sheep Industry. As a member, you will also receive the monthly "Sheep Industry News" magazine.
  - **Full Membership** -- Dues are \$75 per year for active sheep producers.
  - **Associate Membership** -- A \$75/yr non-voting Associate Membership is available for persons or businesses affiliated with the sheep industry, but not directly involved in raising sheep.
  - **Youth Membership** -- Non-voting youth memberships are also available for \$5/year. Youth programs supported by the SDSGA include Shearing Schools, 4-H Market Lamb Rate-of-Gain project, Lamb-to-Finish contest, MIWW, youth mentorship programs, and special youth breed shows at the SD State Fair.
3. Consignments will be accepted from:
  - Ewes – Born from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024
    - Ewe that have lambed as ewe lambs must be noted
4. Consignments will sell in lots of **5, 10, 15, 20 or complete consignment (if desired)**. All lots will be delivered to Magness Livestock Auction, Huron.
5. A consignor can bring no more than **100 head** at the discretion of the SDSGA Ewe Sale Committee.
6. Consignment application and a **\$10.00 per head entry fee are due by May 19th, 2025**. All applications will be reviewed by the sale committee. The sale committee reserves the right to accept or reject ewes or lots based on health and quality criteria.

7. A **7% commission** will be deducted from sale proceeds. The \$10.00 entry fee will be in addition to the commission collected on ewes. The entry fee will be retained on sheep that are not brought to the sale.
  - i. "NO SALE" ewes will be assessed 7% commission on the floor price set by the consignor.
  - ii. Sale of "NO SALE" sheep while on the Magness Livestock Auction premises is allowed, however, commission must be deducted and collected.
8. The sale committee will determine the sale order. All consigners will sell in the first "round", and consignors with additional lots will continue in the same order until all lots are sold.
9. When selling lots in the first round, 10 head or greater, high bidder gets gate cut in increments of 5, once, and the remaining sheep will be sold in one lot.
10. Check-off fees will be collected by Magness.

### **CONSIGNORS**

1. Consignors are responsible for taking care of their animals until loaded out after the sale. **They must bring their own grain/hay and troughs for feed and water.** Hoses will be provided for watering the sheep.
2. The seller guarantees all animals to be females and open. All other guarantees are between buyer and seller.
3. All sheep sell as commercial or registerable animals. If sheep can be registered, and buyer wishes to register them, all fees and transfers are responsibility of the seller.
4. Official sale write-up of 100 words or less, and video or photos of ewes must be submitted to the SDSGA Executive Secretary ([lisa@sdsheepgrowers.org](mailto:lisa@sdsheepgrowers.org)) no later than June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025. This information will be used for social media advertising and promotion of the sale.
5. Comments posted regarding EBV's, wool grade, or rib eye area must be verifiable through third party documentation.

### **BUYERS**

1. Terms of the sale are cash.
2. Buyers may load their sheep out at the conclusion of the sale. Arrangements to load at other times must be made with Magness Livestock Auction and the sale committee.

## **HEALTH**

1. Ewes must be checked in Magness Livestock Auction between 2 and 4 PM Friday, July 25th, 2025.
2. Consignments must be scrapie tagged.
3. Sheep will be chute run as they are unloaded, random checks for external parasites and age will be performed. Any ewe that has a questionable physical defect or health concern will be examined by the sale veterinarian who will determine if a ewe is saleable. Consignors/Representative are expected to be present during the inspection and help handle ewes in their consignment.
4. Consignors checking in more than one lot must have lots separated prior to arrival.
5. All lots must be accompanied by a health certificate of veterinarian inspection that will allow the animals to be shipped into neighboring states. **Individual animals must be identified by Scrapie tag on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. ANIMALS WILL NOT BE UNLOADED UNTIL CVI IS PRESENTED TO A COMMITTEE MEMBER. NO HEALTH PAPERS OR INCOMPLETE HEALTH PAPERS = NO SALE.**
  - i The following statement must be added to the CVI "the animals have been examined and are free of any apparent evidence of **FOOT ROT**".