

2025 Sheep & Goat Skill-A-Thon STUDY GUIDE

The following are broad topics of information relating to the sheep and goat industry that will serve as a good indicator of the material and questions that may be seen during contest. Content material, questions, and skill stations seen on day of contest are at the discretion of contest officials.

- I. Be able to identify different ages and mouth structures of sheep and goats.
- II. Breeds- Be able to have a working knowledge of the origin, physical attributes, and qualities or traits that add to the significance of the following sheep and goat breeds:

Sheep:

- Barbado
- Black Headed Persian
- Border Leicester
- California Red Face
- Cheviot
- Columbia
- Corriedale
- Cotswold
- Debouillet
- Dorper
- Dorset
- East Friesian

Goats:

- Boer
- Kiko
- Pygmy
- Nubian
- Spanish
- Toggenburg
- Golden Guernsey
- Nigerian Dwarf

- Finnsheep
- Hampshire
- Jacob
- Karaku
- Lincoln
- Merino
- Polypay
- Rambouillet
- Shropshire
- Southdown
- Suffolk
- Texel
- Angora
- Cashmere
- Alpine
- Lamancha
- Oberhasli
- Saaben
- Myotonic



- III. Health- Be able to recognize, identify, and understand different health problems relating to sheep and goats
 - Blue Tongue
 - Caseous Lymphadenitis (CL)
 - Coccidiosis
 - Copper Toxicity
 - Dystocia
 - Enterotoxemia
 - Foot Rot
 - Keds
 - Mastitis
 - Tetanus
 - Internal Parasites
 - Famacha Scoring
 - Listeriosis
 - Leptospirosis
 - Chlamydia

- Nasal Bots
- Pinkeye
- Pneumonia
- Polioencephalomalacia
- Prolapse
- Ringworm
- Salmonellosis
- Soremouth
- Lice
- Urolithiasis
- White Muscle Disease
- Body Condition Scoring
- Toxoplasmosis
- Q Fever
- Acidosis
- IV. Feeds- Be able to identify and recognize the following feeds and the qualities relating to those feedstuffs
 - Alfalfa Hay
 - Ammonium Chloride
 - Barley
 - Beet Pulp
 - Coastal Hay
 - Cottonseed Hulls
 - Cracked Corn
 - Distillers Grains
 - Whole Oats
 - Wheat

- Range Cubes
- Fish Meal
- Milo
- Soybean Meal
- Steam Flaked Corn
- Whole Cottonseed
- Whole Corn
- Rolled Oats
- Alfalfa Pellets
- Molasses



- V. Equipment- Be able to identify the following equipment and its uses.
 - Balling Gun
 - Blow Dryer
 - CIDR
 - CIDR Applicator
 - Comb
 - Drench Gun
 - Ear Tagger
 - Elastrator
 - Elastrator Band
 - Emasculator
 - Feeder
 - Halter
 - Hand Shears
 - Heat Lamps

- Hoof Filer
- Hoof Trimmer
- Lamb/Goat Bottle
- Lamb/Goat Puller
- Lamb/Goat Restrainer
- Lamb/Goat Teat
- Lamb/Goat Tubes
- Marking Chalk
- Muzzle
- Paint Branders
- Marking Harness
- Ram/Buck Shield
- Sharpening Grit
- Shearing Cutter
- VI. Medication-Know the different conditions in which you would give each of the following.
 - Ammonium Chloride
 - B12
 - B-Complex
 - Blood Stop Powder
 - Blue Lotion Spray
 - CD&T
 - Dewormer
 - Dyne
 - Koppertox
 - LA 200
 - Leutalyse

- Nolvasan
- Nutri-Drench
- Penicillin
- Probios
- Quickbayt
- Selenium
- Soremouth Vaccine
- Thiamin
- Vetricyn
- Molybdenum
- Corrid
- VII. Products & By-Products- Be familiar with different products and by-products that come from sheep and goats.