

## USTSA Show & Sale Check List:

Item	Yes!
Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI including statements listed under USTSA Show & Sale Rules 5A & 5B)	
Import Shipping Permit Number (listed on CVI)	
Brand Inspection (Check state of origin requirements)	
Registration Certificate	
Brucella ovis test results (negative ELISA Test for <u>Brucella ovis</u> within 30 days of entry listed on the CVI <b>OR</b> if from a <u>Brucella ovis</u> free flock list the Brucella ovis free flock number and current test date on the CVI. <b>Please bring a copy of your state issued B-Ovis certificate with current test date listed.</b> )	
Scrapie tag (in left ear and listed on CVI)	
Flock tag (in left ear and listed on CVI)	
Registration tag - 1 of 2 options: 1) Registration number tattoo (in right ear and listed on CVI); or, 2) Registration tag (in right ear and listed on CVI)	
Scrotal Circumference (Yearling Rams only $\geq$ 30 cm and listed on CVI)	
Micron Report (Yearling Rams and NSIP ewes)	
External Parasite Statement	

Please have a copy of the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) & registration certificate ***for each animal***. This means, that if you are bringing 10 animals, make 10 photocopies of your CVI. At the National Show & Sale each animal has its own file where a copy of the CVI and its registration certificate is stored.

**Important:** If you are not inserting the registration tag in the sheep's right ear, it must be placed in a sealed envelope and stapled to its individual copy of the CVI. On the outside of the envelope, please write your name and the sheep's flock and registration numbers.

# U.S. Targhee Sheep



## Association

### 2018 National Show & Sale

*July 12-14 ~ Miles City, Montana*

Hosted by the:

***Montana Targhee Association***

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## Open Show Classes

**Entry Fees:** \$35 per Ram - \$25 per Ewe - \$45 per Pen of Ewes

### **Ram Classes**

### **Ewe Classes**

Yearling Ram	Yearling Ewe	Pen of 2 Yearling Ewes
NSIP Yearling Ram	NSIP Yearling Ewe	Pen of 2 Ewe Lambs - Fall, January, Spring
Fall Ram Lamb	Fall Ewe Lamb	
January Ram Lamb	January Ewe Lamb	
Spring Ram Lamb	Spring Ewe Lamb	

◆ The cutoff date between fall is December 31, 2017. Lambs born in January 2018 are in that class, everything born after January 31, 2018 are spring lamb entries.

◆ Pair of ewes– Winning bidder has choice.

◆ A total of two rams per class may be entered. Consignors may enter one ram without entering ewes. Consignors must enter **TWO** additional ewes for each additional ram entry with a maximum of four rams per membership. There is no limit on the number of ewes entered. The sale committee, however, reserves the right to limit the number of sheep consigned should total entries exceed show and sale expectations.

## Junior Show Classes

**Entry Fees:** None

### **Ram Classes**

### **Ewe Classes**

### **Showmanship**

Yearling Ram	Yearling Ewe	Pee Wee (7yrs & under)
Fall Ram Lamb	Fall Ewe Lamb	Junior (8-11 Years)
Spring Ram Lamb	Spring Ewe Lamb	Intermediate (12-15 Years)
<b>Best Fleece Class</b>	<b>Market Lamb</b>	Senior (16-21 Years)
<b>Youth Futurity</b>	<b>Fitting Contest</b>	

## Wool Classes

Ewe 62 & Finer

Ewe 58 & 60

Ram 62 & Finer

Ram 58 & 60

**Entry Fees:** \$5 per fleece, with a two fleece limit per class.

## **U.S. Targhee Sheep Association National Show & Sale Rules**

1. The Show/Sale Veterinarian will collect the CVI at the entry gate. A copy of the CVI is required for **each** animal and must accompany the animal in order to gain entrance. The inspector will retain the CVI. If the CVI does not accompany the animal(s), it (they) will not be unloaded.
2. Any question regarding health of an animal will be based on the animal's condition as it is presented to the Show/Sale Veterinarian. This determination is at the discretion of the State Veterinarian or the official representative.
3. Sheep exhibited at the USTSA National Show & Sale, as well as the flocks from which they come, must be free from contagious or communicable diseases such as Foot Rot or Club Lamb Fungus.
4. All rams shall possess two testicles and be fully intact. All yearling rams require a scrotal circumference measurement recorded on the CVI. The minimum requirement is 30 cm.
5. The USTSA requires all sheep must be dipped or sprayed for external parasites at least 10 and not more than 30 days prior to sale date. A certificate must be furnished to the Show/Sale Veterinarian showing the date sprayed or dipped, the product used, and the dilution rate. Only products labeled for use in/on sheep will be accepted.
6. Sheep must be registered 30 days in advance of the National Show & Sale.
7. All sheep entered shall either have the registration number tattooed in the right ear or a registration tag in their right ear. If you have not inserted the registration tag in the right ear, it is no longer required to include it in a sealed envelope to include with your entry paperwork. All sheep shall also have a breeder's flock tag and Scrapie tag in the left ear.
8. **Entries postmarked after May 31st will not be accepted.**
9. Sale commission is 10% and will be collected on "no-sale" animals using the breeder floor price.
10. All yearling rams and NSIP ewes must have a side micron test taken and submitted for evaluation by a third party, (ie. Montana State University, Producers' Marketing Cooperative, Texas A&M University, University of Nevada, University of Wyoming, Utah State University, or Yocom-McColl, ) after **May 1st** in order to show or sell. Any animal whose side micron exceeds 26.39 microns will be sifted. Please bring a copy of the micron test report clearly listing the test results and identifying the evaluating wool laboratory as they will be collected.
11. No artificial coloring in the wool will be allowed.

# State Animal Health Regulations for Montana

<http://liv.mt.gov/Animal-Health/Import-Requirements>

**Certificate Requirements** - The following statement must be true and be included on the CVI: "The animals in this shipment were not exhibiting clinical signs associated with scrapie at the time of the examination."

**Permit Requirements** - A unique number issued by the Montana Department of Livestock prior to entry into Montana and after all import requirements have been met. Permits are good for 10 days from date of issuance. Permits can be obtained by calling the import line at (406) 444-2976.

While the permit line is available to veterinarians 24 hours a day, seven days a week, not all permit types are available during non-business hours.

Emailing a scan or photo of the CVI to [livpermits@mt.gov](mailto:livpermits@mt.gov):

Please put "Permit Request" in the subject line.

Requests received by 4:00 PM MST on regular business days will be processed same-day.

Approved permit numbers will be emailed to the requesting party.

## Testing Requirements

Brucellosis:

Ewes – No tests required

Rams - Eight months of age and older. Be free of any gross lesions of ram epididymitis upon examination, AND 1 negative Brucella ovis ELISA test within 30 days of import OR Originate directly from an officially recognized Brucella ovis free flock

## Identification Requirements

Official identification (per ARM 32.3.1303 & 32.3.1308) is required for:

Sexually intact sheep of any age;

All sheep over 18 months of age.

Approved forms of official ID include:

Official USDA ear tag,

Breed registration tattoo,

Scrapie premises ID tag,

Premises tattoo number.

Identification must be listed on the CVI.

Exceptions:

Sheep and goats moved for grazing purposes with no change of ownership are exempt from ID requirements.

Sheep moving directly from their ranch of origin to an approved livestock market do not require official ID. The consignor may be charged for the application of official ID at the market.

## Private Sale

◆ All transactions of private sales, while sheep are still on the grounds, will be handled by the sale bookkeeper and the regular sale commission will be collected. Private sales of sheep are discouraged by the USTSA because of loss of revenue for consignors of the National Show & Sale.

## National Sheep Improvement Program (NSIP)

◆ All NSIP rams and ewes are subject to the National Targhee Show & Sale rules and regulations. Rams and ewes shall be owned by the breeder and the breeder's flock must be enrolled in the National Sheep Improvement Program.

◆ EPVs for the following traits must be posted by the breeder on the pens for each sheep enrolled in an NSIP class: 60 Day Weaning Wt, Maternal Milk Wt, Yearling Wt, Grease Fleece Wt, Fiber Diameter, Staple Length, Number of Lamb Born and USA Range Index. The wool micron on NSIP entries will also be posted on the pen and taken after May 1st.

◆ Data for the required traits must be submitted for the **June 1st** run and submitted to Mardy for inclusion in the catalog by **June 15th**.

◆ All rams and ewes must be shorn after **February 20th**.

◆ A minimum of trimming will be allowed to clean up the sheep as long as it does not misrepresent the sheep or affect the natural character of the wool (eg. carding). No shearing of belly wool will be allowed after the animal's shearing date. Rams and ewes can be disqualified if the trimming misrepresents the sheep or wool (eg. wool blindness or leveling of the topline).

◆ In selecting the Outstanding NSIP ram and ewe, judging will be split 50/50 between the EPV records and the live show placing. Judging of the data will be done by the producers the morning of the show using the following point system. Every trait will be given equal rating and all animals ranked according to their EBV numbers with the "top" for each trait getting a 1 and the bottom getting the highest number. The individual rankings are tallied and the lowest overall score is given a 1, second a 2 and so on. If there is a tie, both animals will receive the lower number.

◆ After the live placing is announced by the judge, the scores will be tallied and the resulting placings will then be announced. The top rams will then continue on to the championship round. If there is a tie, the sheep with the higher NSIP score will be used as the tie breaker.

◆ Two rams will be allowed per breeder or flock enrolled in NSIP. There is no limit on NSIP ewe entries.

## Junior Show Rules

◆ Junior Show Classes:

1. Junior exhibitors must be no older than 21 years of age on January 1st in order to be of eligible age to show in the Junior Show Classes of that calendar year.
2. Junior exhibitors need to be official members of the USTSA Junior Association at the time of entry. This membership includes family memberships.
3. Junior exhibitors shall show sheep only registered in their name or sheep registered in their name in conjunction with siblings or family/farm name.
4. Junior exhibitors shall follow the entry deadlines of the open show in order to reserve pen space. There are no entry fees for Junior Show Classes.
5. No professional fitting of junior sheep is allowed. Only USJTSA members, their parents or grandparents are allowed to fit any junior sheep.
6. No artificial coloring in the wool will be allowed.
7. "Best Fleece on a Live Animal" is a class in which any junior who is entered in the junior show and wants to participate can bring their best fleeced sheep into the ring and it will be judged on it's FLEECE ONLY. It does have to be owned by the junior, thus one entry per junior is allowed in this class. It can be a ewe or ram, lamb or yearling. They are all judged in the same class.

◆ Showmanship Classes:

1. A junior showman must meet the age guidelines above and will be allowed to exhibit a registered Targhee sheep borrowed from another exhibitor/breeder.