

BRANCH SALE CONDITIONS

- 1 All sheep entered for prize competition or sale must be the bona-fide property of a member of the Suffolk Sheep Society and must be tagged with the appropriate flock number.
- 2 The prizes are intended for and can only be gained by stock sent in for bona-fide sale, and should any prize animal be unsold or bought in by or on behalf of the owner when offered for sale in the catalogue order the prize or prizes will be awarded to the next in their respective order of merit.
- 3 Judge to be appointed by the Suffolk Sheep Society (Northern Ireland Branch)
- 4 All sheep must be correct and the Inspector's decision is final. All incorrect sheep must be removed from the sale yard and must not be replaced with a substitute.
- 5 No colouring matter, dressing, bleaching or chemical substance (except the use of Department of Agriculture approved non-bloom dip and the use of colourless oil on the head and legs) may be used on sheep, by members of the Society for any show and sale.
- 6 Entry fees £10.00 per head (£7 Omagh & Plumbridge) – this must accompany entries. Fees charged on all absent lots.
- 7 No sheep will be sold under £350 guineas. £400 Ballymena 2nd sale (7th September)
- 8 Ram Lambs must be bred by exhibitor and Shearling Rams bred in Northern Ireland
- 9 Exhibitors must have the catalogue number either stencilled or labelled on their animals prior to the show, otherwise they will be sold at the end of the sale.
- 10 Substitute animals must be marked with a red spot after the lot number, and the pedigree supplied.
- 11 Flock masters must be present with sheep during all inspections.
- 12 A subcommittee consisting of the inspector, judge and one member of committee will deal with all urgent matters.
- 14 The committee reserves the right to reduce entries if the sale is considered to be over subscribed.
- 15 Sheep rejected at inspection must be removed from the pen immediately and not sold through the Society sale.

Regulations for and conditions of sale

- 1 All animals entered must be put up for auction and sold in order in which they appear in the catalogue. Animals not presented in the sale ring in catalogue order will not be admitted to the sale ring until the end of the section of the sale for which they are entered.
- 2 The pedigree, history and description of each animal shall be guaranteed and warranted to be correct in all particulars by the person whose name appears as vendor, but every animal shall be sold subject to all faults. No liability whatever is undertaken by the Auctioneers for the statements appearing in the catalogue. The vendors who supply such statements are alone responsible for any error or mis-statement.

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Maximum number of animals per exhibitor at each sale:-

Ballymena Shearling & Ram Sale – (10th August) max 12 shearlings. Ram Lambs – 1 for every 20 lambs birth notified in the year 2026 up to a max of 3 lambs, if oversubscribed a pro-rata cut will be applied in accordance with committee discretion. Minimum selling price £350.

Ballymena ram sale – (7th September) - 1 lamb for every 10 lambs birth notified in the year 2026 up to a maximum of 8 lambs per exhibitor. Exhibitor with 20 or less notifications has option of taking 2 lambs. In case of oversubscription a pro-rata cut will be applied in accordance with committee discretion. Min Selling Price £400

Rathfriland, Omagh & Plumbridge Sales - 1 lamb for every 10 lambs birth notified in the year 2026 up to a maximum of 8 males per exhibitor. Exhibitor with 20 or less notifications has option of taking 2 lambs. Min Selling Price £350

Cheques made payable to Suffolk Sheep Society N.I. Branch
Entries returned to:

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