

AMERICAN HAMPSHIRE SHEEP ASSOCIATION

RISING STAR EWE LAMB AWARD

*Purpose: To promote Hampshires as a Youth Project.
Specifically, to introduce youth to the joys of raising Hampshire sheep.*

Must be Postmarked: March 1, 2010

1. Applications must be submitted to the American Hampshire Sheep Association office by March 1, 2010. Make sure to mark sheared or fitted on the Application to designate the type of lamb preferred.
2. The sheep are to be maintained in a healthy condition and clean facilities. It is further understood that the sheep will receive all necessary vaccinations, dewormings, and medications to assure good health.
3. The sheep are to receive proper nutrition (grain, hay & pasture) to assure proper growth, health, and conditioning.
4. The winner will be expected to report progress of the project to the AHSA office. Also, it is required that the animal be shown at least once, at a local, county or state fair. A photo of the ewe lamb being shown must be submitted to the AHSA office by September 15, 2010 to appear in the Fall issue of the Heartbeat or December 10, 2010 to appear in the Winter issue.
5. Failure to maintain the sheep in good health, properly fed, and in clean facilities will automatically result in the ewe lamb being returned to the AHSA office. In the event the sheep are returned to the Association, AHSA assumes no responsibility for costs incurred by the winner.
6. Applications will be reviewed by an AHSA committee and winners selected from those applications. Applications must be complete and have required attachments.
7. All lambs that are donated for winners will be DNA tested for the spider gene and will be guaranteed at least QR.
8. Winners will be announced by May 20th and animals will be awarded during the National Hampshire Sale that is held in conjunction with the Midwest Stud Ram Sale in Sedalia, Missouri (exact time and date will be included in the winner's letters). We encourage all winners to attend; however, if you are unable to attend we will try to arrange transportation for the ewe lamb to an area close enough to be picked up by the winner. Any winner that is not in attendance will have a lamb selected for them.
9. All ewe lambs will be entered in the 2010 Ewe Lamb Futurity.
10. Previous winners may not apply.

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2010 RISING STAR EWE LAMB AWARD APPLICATION

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Do you currently raise sheep? _____ if yes, what breed _____

Are you currently a 4-H or FFA club member? _____ if yes, club name _____

If chosen, will you be able to attend the Midwest Stud Ram Sale to select your lamb? _____

Which type of lamb would you prefer? (circle your choice) Fitted Sheared

The following should be attached to your application:

1. Essay by applicant - An essay must accompany the application and must include the following:
 - A. Why are you interested in Hampshire sheep? -- Do you currently have Hampshires?
 - B. What kind of livestock background do you have?
 - C. Have you had any kind of experience with sheep?
 - D. What facilities do you have or will you provide for the sheep?
 - E. What are your plans for the future, in regards to your sheep project?
2. Letter of support from parent or guardian - must include the following:
 - A. Are you willing to assist with the time, finances, and encouragement that may be required?
3. Letter of recommendation from 4-H or FFA or Sheep Project Leader.

We have read all of the guidelines and agree to abide by them if we receive the American Hampshire Sheep Association Ewe Lamb Award.

Signature of applicant

Signature of parent or guardian

Date