

## Feeding Show Lambs

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### **Feed:**

Show-Rite New Co best product for blackface sheep

Textured feed works better for lambs

1-1.5 pound of feed per feeding (twice a day). Weigh your feed. If they leave excess feed, weigh what was left over so you know what they are not cleaning up and you can feed less, so they clean it all up. Once they clean up all their feed you can slowly increase the amount you feed them. But make sure you are feeding the amount they will finish and no more.

### **Hay:**

You can feed a good sudan feed, 1 handful every evening, or you can feed a sandwich zip lock baggie of Alfalfa hay twice a week. (Be careful with Alfalfa hay it could get moldy if you only have 1 animal to feed it to)

### **Once a week/Sunday's only:**

Give them probios, gut candy or any type of probiotic (keeps their gut healthy and them eating)

3cc of B complex or B12 orally only

This gets them used to the drench gun and being on a stand

### **Deworming:**

Rotate prohibit & valbazen (both orally)

1<sup>st</sup> of the month (every month) valbazen

15<sup>th</sup> of the month (every month) prohibit

\*make sure to follow the label and pay attention to any withdrawals leading up to the show

### **If you have a green lamb (that needs pushed):**

Supplement-M&M (Muscle in Motion) 2oz per feeding

### **Supplements:**

\*Supplements are not required, they are \$\$\$ and up to you if you'd like to utilize them

Fitter 35-will burn excess condition/cover

Home Stretch-oxygen supplement that will help build a top

### **Exercising:**

Wait until they have some condition and cover on them before you start exercising

Run/Track 3 times a week try to get them running good for 3-4 laps (they should be panting pretty good when you finish)

Treadmill 2 times a week-going backwards for 3 minutes

**Preparing for the Show:**

Keep on full feed and water until you are loading up to go to the show

2 days before the show start drenching with Gold Dust (2 full 60 cc drench guns) every 4 hours

Once you are loaded and heading to the show—they will no longer get full feed and water

**At the show:**

You will feed and drench every 4 hours

Feed-- break up how much they eat a day at home into 4 hour increments, plus a handful of alfalfa stems

Drench 2 full 60 cc drench guns of gold dust, 2 full 60cc of water

Green lamb with a lot of belly only do 1 drench of each

Framey/tall lamb 4 drenches of each

Once the animal is laid down, do not mess with them, only get them up every 4 hours for drenching and feed