



SHEEP SHEET

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Examination of the Sick Newborn Lamb

Sheepdex L-7

THE ANAL AREA:

1. Is the anus present? Atresia ani.
2. Is the lamb scouring? Enteritis, lamb dysentery.
3. Is the lamb's temperature:
Low? Hypothermia
High? Infection, hyperthermia if in a warmer (lamb warmer).
4. Has the lamb been castrated correctly?

THE TRUNK:

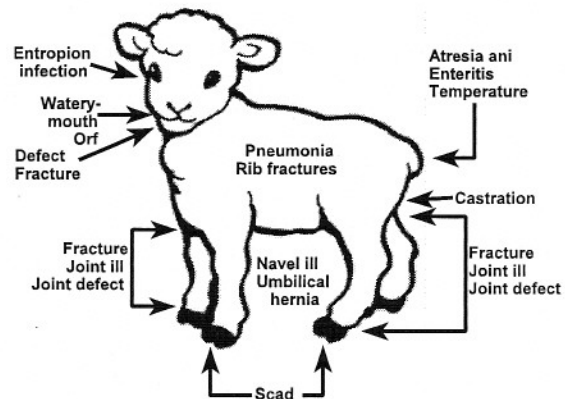
1. Is the navel swollen? Navel ill.
2. Can you see intestines at or around the navel? Umbilical hernia.
3. Are there any skin wounds?

THE HEAD:

1. Is there excessive saliva around the mouth? Watery mouth.
2. Is the lower jaw normal? Under- or overshot, fractures.
3. Is there any sign of orf (soremouth/contagious ecthyma) - pustules or scabs in lips?
4. Is the bottom eyelid(s) turned in? Entropion.
5. Is the eye(s) inflamed? Eye infection.

LEGS:

1. Are the joints fully extended? Joint defects.
2. Are any joints swollen? Joint ill.
3. Are there any other swellings? Fractures.
4. Is the cleft between the hoofs inflamed? Scad.



Notes:

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