McPherson County 4-H *Breeding Sheep* Identification Form

***This form is for breeding ewes and rams only***

**Instructions:**

* Read the McPherson County Sheep Requirements
* Any animal that is to be exhibited at any McPherson County 4-H event, must be identified on this form or will not be allowed to be exhibited. *Please limit your number of animals to only those that you intend to show.*
* Form must be filled out completely! Do not leave any blanks! **Failure to complete any of the required information will result in the form being returned to the 4-H member.**
* Animals can be identified in the name of a 4-H Member (no switching after May 1) or together as a family. A family is “siblings that share a common parent.”

Members Name ______________________ OR Family Name ______________________

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<th>Breed</th>
<th>Ear Tag</th>
<th>Tattoo</th>
<th>Birth Date</th>
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<td>if no tattoo - must have a 4-H ear tag</td>
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<td>65789</td>
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Signature of 4-H member and parent/guardian who verifies the accuracy of this form.

(member’s signature) ____________________________ (parent/guardian signature) __________________________

I acknowledge that the required information has been provided and the Extension Office has received and accepted this form.

(4-H Agent Initials) ____________________________ W:\6 LINDSEY\Livestock\ID Forms\Sheep ID Form.wpd
Breed Classification on Market Lambs

**Dorset**
White fleece and hair throughout. Open face with wool on the crown and under the jaws. 
Ineligible:
* Animal with solid black hooves.
* Animal with black or dark colored septum (dividing tissue between nostrils).
* Animal with black or dark colored lining of the nose or mouth.
* Animal with dark colored spots in the hair or wool.

**Hampshire**
White fleece with dark (black or dark brown) lower legs and head. Open face with unbroken wool cap extending from the neck over the forehead.

**Southdown**
Hair on head should be of mouse or gray color, not white and not black. Wool on lower legs. 
Ineligible:
* Animal with horns.
* Animal with speckled markings.
* Animal with black spots.

**Suffolk**
White fleece with black lower legs and head. Free of wool on head and lower leg.

**Shropshire**
White fleece with black lower legs and head. Should have wool cap and wool on lower legs.

**Montadale**
White fleece with dark nose and hooves. Should not have excessive wool cap, wool covering on lower legs, and brown or black hairs.