

# G.A.P.'s 5-Step<sup>®</sup> Animal Welfare Standards Audit Prep Tool Meat Sheep v1.4

## When Should I Use the Audit Prep Tool?

The purpose of this tool is to provide meat sheep producers with a simple checklist to help identify where farms and ranches may have issues with compliance to G.A.P.'s 5-Step<sup>®</sup> Animal Welfare Standards for Meat Sheep v1.4. While this Audit Prep Tool covers many of the key requirements in our Meat Sheep Standards, it does not cover every standard. Using this tool does not guarantee that you will pass an audit, but should help you prepare for one. This tool can be used if you are preparing for a new audit or if you are getting ready for a renewal audit. Being prepared for the audit helps to identify and resolve issues before the auditor visits your operation, which in turn, helps the certification process go more smoothly.

## Who Should Complete It?

Since this Audit Prep Tool was designed to help you get organized for your audit, it would be most beneficial if it were completed by the person(s) responsible for managing the operation and/or an animal caretaker.

## How Do I Use this Document?

This tool has been divided into sections so that you only need to focus on the sections relevant to your operation. The first section covers the core requirements for ALL Step levels. From there, the document is divided up by Step level – this allows you to skip to the section that's relevant to the level you're looking to be certified to. As well, if you're looking to move up the Steps, this tool can be used to help identify what your operation would need to do. Note that there is no Step 2 or Step 3 for meat sheep. Finally, we have provided a checklist for written records and documents that you'll need to have. The auditor will be looking for these documents during the audit, so if you're missing any, please check the Meat Sheep area of our website for templates to get you started.

## How Do I Know if My Operation Might Have Issues with Compliance?

If you tick the shaded green boxes, then there is a good chance that you are in compliance with the Standard. In certain circumstances, a specific standard may not apply to your system, in which case you will also have the option to tick the 'NA' box. If you tick any non-shaded boxes, or are uncertain about any of the questions, we recommend reviewing our resources in the Meat Sheep area of the G.A.P. website or checking in with your certifier for additional help before scheduling the audit.

## Where Can I Get More Help?

You can find additional information, including additional resources and templates, on the Meat Sheep area of the G.A.P. website. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to your certifier or the Farm Animal Welfare team ([standards@globalanimalpartnership.org](mailto:standards@globalanimalpartnership.org)) at G.A.P.

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## Requirements for ALL Steps

All operations, no matter which Step level you are applying for, should complete this section.

|                                   |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>1 ANIMAL SOURCE AND HEALTH</b> |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 1.1                               | Source / Breed  |                       |                       |                       |
| 1.1.1                             | Do you have genetically modified or cloned sheep?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 1.1.2                             | Do you use laparoscopic (surgical) artificial insemination?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 1.1.7                             | If you buy market sheep, do you get them from G.A.P. certified operations?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                                   | Do you buy your market sheep through:   |                       |                       |                       |
|                                   | a. Direct farm-to-farm sales  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                                   | b. Video auctions   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                                   | c. Sale or auction barns  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 1.1.8,                            | If you buy replacement females, are they ewe lambs?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 1.1.9                             | Of the ewe lambs you buy each year, are more than 20% from non-Step certified farms?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                                   | Do you buy your ewe lambs and rams from:  |                       |                       |                       |
|                                   | a. Direct farm-to-farm sales  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                                   | b. Video auctions   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                                   | c. Sale or auction barns  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 1.1.10                            | Can you identify your purchased G.A.P. breeding sheep? (e.g., using tags, unique markings/colorings, etc.)                          | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 1.2                               | Medication  |                       |                       |                       |
| 1.2.1                             | Are all sheep treated with antibiotics, ionophores, beta agonists, growth hormones, and/or sulpha drugs sold to non-G.A.P. markets? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 1.2.4                             | Do you check your medication cabinet regularly and make sure expired medication is disposed of?                                     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 1.3                               | Treatment   |                       |                       |                       |
| 1.3.1                             | Do you treat all sick or injured sheep within 24 hours?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 1.3.5                             | Do you segregate sick and/or injured sheep?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 1.3.7                             | Are segregated sick or injured sheep seen at least twice a day?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 1.3.11                            | Do you use products (e.g. sheep dips) that contain organophosphates on sheep?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 1.4                               | On-Farm Euthanasia  |                       |                       |                       |
| 1.4.1                             | Are the people who perform euthanasia trained?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 1.4.4                             | Does the person euthanizing sheep stay with them until they are sure the sheep is dead?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 1.4.5                             | When you find a sheep that needs to be euthanized, is it euthanized within 24 hours?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 1.4.6                             | Do you euthanized sheep using:  |                       |                       |                       |
|                                   | a. Firearm shot to the head   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                                   | b. Penetrating or non-penetrating captive bolt (followed by exsanguination or pithing)  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                                   | c. Anesthetic overdose  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                                   | d. Blunt force trauma   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|                                   | e. Other  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |

|                                     |  | Yes   | No                    | NA                    |                       |
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| <b>2 ANIMAL CARE AND MANAGEMENT</b> |  |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.1                                 | Flock Management   |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.1.1                               | If sheep are not kept on pasture for any time during rearing (e.g., if housed during bad weather or in finishing lots), are they seen at least once a day?         | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.1.2                               | During lambing, do you see ewe-lambs at least once a day?  | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|                                     | During lambing, do you see ewes that have needed assistance in the past at least once a day?   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.1.3                               | For all other sheep on pasture (outside of lambing season), are they seen at least once a week?  | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |                       |                       |
| 2.2                                 | Body Condition   |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.2.1                               | Do you assess body condition score* of all breeding sheep at least once a year?<br><br><i>*BCS; <a href="#">see Appendix II in the Meat Sheep Standards</a></i>    | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.2.2                               | Are any emaciated sheep (BCS less than 2) given additional care?   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.3                                 | Handling and Restraint   |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.3.8                               | Do you use electric prods?   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |                       |                       |
| 2.4                                 | Mulesing   |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.4.1                               | Do you perform mulesing (remove wool-bearing skin from the breech area) on any sheep?  | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |                       |                       |
| 2.5                                 | Shearing   |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.5.1                               | If you have wool breed sheep, are adults sheared at least once a year?   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.7                                 | Branding   |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.7.1                               | Do you brand (either hot or cold)?   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |                       |                       |
| 2.8                                 | Disbudding and Dehorning   |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.8.1                               | Do you disbud (i.e., remove the undeveloped horn buds)?  | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.8.2                               | Do you dehorn (i.e., removed the developed horn after it has attached to the skull)?   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.8.3                               | If you tip the ends of horns, do they ever bleed?  | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.10                                | Animal Identification  |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.10.1                              | Can you identify your market sheep? (either uniquely or by group or lot tag; e.g., using tags, markings/colorings, etc.)   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |                       |                       |
| 2.10.2                              | Do sheep have more than one dangle ear tag per ear?  | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |                       |                       |
| 2.10.6                              | For any sheep that do not meet the G.A.P. standards, do you have a plan to identify them?  | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |                       |                       |
| 2.11                                | Lambing  |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.11.1                              | Do assisted lambings exceed 10% of ewes per lamb crop?   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.11.2                              | Do caesarean sections exceed 1% of births per lamb crop?   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|                                     | Do you/your vet use pain relief for caesarean sections?  | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.11.5                              | If you use adopter pens*, do you keep ewes in them for more than 72 hours?<br><br><i>*pens used for grafting/fostering lambs, where the ewe cannot turn around</i> | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.12                                | Lamb Management  |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.12.1                              | Do you make sure that all lambs get colostrum as soon as possible after birth?   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.12.3,                             | Are lambs not reared by an ewe:  |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.12.4,                             |  | a. Given milk or milk replacer at least twice a day                   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.12.5,                             |  | b. Provided with at least one nipple per lamb, if fed via self-feeder | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.12.6                              |  | c. Given water by day 1 of age  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                                     |  | d. Given forage by day 7 of age                                       | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                                     | e. Raised in groups with other artificially reared lambs   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.13                                | Weaning Age  |   |                       |                       |                       |

|        |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
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| 2.13.3 | When weaning a lamb crop, are any lambs weaned from ewes younger than 8 weeks of age?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.13.4 | If any lambs are not raised on an ewe, are they fed milk until at least 4 weeks of age?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.14   | Lameness  |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.14.1 | Do you regularly assess foot health?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|        | Do you trim or treat feet when necessary?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.14.2 | Does lameness* ever affect more than 5% of the flock?<br><br><i>*see Appendix I in the Meat Sheep Standards</i>                               | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.15   | Mortality (includes sheep that have died or been euthanized on farm or are missing; stillborns and deaths due to predators are not included.) |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.15.2 | Is pre-weaning mortality greater than 15% per year?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.15.3 | Is breeding stock mortality greater than 7% per year?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.15.4 | Is market sheep mortality greater than 5% per year?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|                         |  | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
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| <b>3 FEED AND WATER</b> |  |                       |                       |                       |
| 3.1                     | Water Availability   |                       |                       |                       |
| 3.1.1                   | Do sheep have continuous access to water?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 3.1.2                   | Are drinkers and water troughs regularly cleaned?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 3.2                     | Feeding Requirements   |                       |                       |                       |
| 3.2.1,<br>3.2.2         | Do all sheep have daily access to feed/grass/grazing?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 3.2.3                   | Do all sheep have continuous access to palatable fibrous feedstuffs when not on pasture or range? (e.g., hay, haylage, silage, straw, corn stover) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 3.4                     | Additives and Ingredients in Feed and Water  |                       |                       |                       |
| 3.4.1,                  | Does feed contain mammalian, avian, or fish by-products? (check feed labels)   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 3.4.2,<br>3.4.3         | Do feed supplements (e.g., mineral blocks) contain mammalian, avian, or fish by-products? (check feed labels)                                      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|                             |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
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| <b>4 LIVING ENVIRONMENT</b> |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.2                         | Shade and Windbreaks  |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.2.1                       | Are sheep provided with shade, shelter, and/or windbreaks in adverse weather?                   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 4.3                         | Living Environment when Sheep are Removed from Pasture  |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.3.4                       | Do you keep healthy, bonded ewes and lambs in individual lambing pens for longer than 72 hours? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.3.5                       | Do indoor lambing pens provide at least 16 ft <sup>2</sup> (1.5 m <sup>2</sup> ) for each ewe?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.3.8                       | Do indoor pens have clean and dry bedding?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|                                      |  | Yes  | No   | NA   |
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| <b>5 RODENT AND PREDATOR CONTROL</b> |  |  |  |  |
| 5.1                                  | Rodent Control Program<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>If you do not consider rodents a problem on your operation, check this box and move to Section 5.2</b> |  |  |  |
| 5.1.2                                | Does your rodent control program include:<br>a. Methods that only target rodents<br>b. An assessment of different methods of lethal control                  | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> |

|       |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|-------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|       | c. Traps that are species specific, appropriately located, and designed to cause rapid death (if used)  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | d. Licensed rodenticides used only in areas where traps will be ineffective   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 5.2   | <b>Predator Control</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>If you do not consider predators a problem on your operation, check this box and move to Section 6</b> |                       |                       |                       |
| 5.2.1 | If predators are a problem, is there a control program in place?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 5.2.2 | Is non-lethal exclusion your first level of predator control?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 5.2.3 | If you must use lethal methods to control predators, is it completed:   |                       |                       |                       |
|       | a. With a fire arm  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | b. By a skilled shooter   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | c. And the shot kills immediately   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 5.2.4 | Do you use poisons, drowning, snares, or any trap besides a live trap?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 5.3   | <b>Guardian Animals</b>   |                       |                       |                       |
| 5.3.1 | If you use a guardian animal (dogs, llamas, donkeys, etc.), have they effectively deterred predators in your area?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | If you use a guardian animal (dogs, llamas, donkeys, etc.), have they ever harmed the sheep they are guarding?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|   |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
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| <b>6 TRANSPORT (i.e., any sheep movement off of the operation or on/around the operation for longer than 2 hours)</b> |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 6.1   | <b>Water and Feed Withdrawal</b>  |                       |                       |                       |
| 6.1.1   | Do you provide water for the sheep until loading begins?                          | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 6.1.2   | Is feed (including grass/grazing) provided until at least 8 hours before loading? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|   |  | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
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| <b>7 PLANS, PROTOCOLS, PROCEDURES, TRAINING, RECORDS AND TRACEABILITY</b> |  |                       |                       |                       |
| 7.3   | <b>Alternative Power Supply</b>  |                       |                       |                       |
| 7.3.1   | If your operation requires power for heating, cooling, ventilation, watering, or feeding systems, do you have:                                     |                       |                       |                       |
|   | a. An alternative power supply   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|   | b. A way to be notified if there is power failure  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 7.4   | <b>Training</b>  |                       |                       |                       |
| 7.4.1   | Do you have a training program for all sheep caregivers that:  |                       |                       |                       |
|   | a. Is written and/or hands-on  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|   | b. Is in employees' language   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|   | c. Describes normal and abnormal sheep behavior  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|   | d. Covers individual's responsibilities  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|   | e. Covers emergency procedures   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|   | f. Is provided before the individual handles sheep   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|   | g. Covers the G.A.P. sheep standards   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|   | h. Is on-going   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 7.5   | <b>General Records Requirements</b>  |                       |                       |                       |
| 7.5.1,  | Are all records and documents listed in the "Records and Documents" section of this Audit Prep Tool organized and ready for the auditor to review? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 7.5.2   |  |                       |                       |                       |
| 7.5.3   | Do you keep all records, reports, and G.A.P. certificates for at least 15 months?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |

|       |  | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
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| 7.6   | Traceability and Chain of Custody                      |                       |                       |                       |
| 7.6.4 | If you use a collection point, is it G.A.P. certified? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|  |                      | Yes                   | No                    | NA |
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| <b>8 SLAUGHTER REQUIREMENTS</b>  |                      |                       |                       |    |
| 8.1  | General Requirements |                       |                       |    |
| Does your slaughter facility have a current third-party animal welfare audit certificate on file? (you may have to contact your slaughter facility, producer group, co-operative, or other marketing entity to get this information) |                      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |    |

## Additional Step 1 Requirements

Only operations aiming to achieve a Step 1 should fill out this section. If you plan to apply for a different Step-level, you can jump to the Requirements section for the associated Step level.

|                                     |  | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
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| <b>2 ANIMAL CARE AND MANAGEMENT</b> |  |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.6                                 | Castration   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.6.1                               | On average, are lambs castrated at an age of 6 weeks or less?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.6.4                               | Are all lambs castrated before 8 weeks of age?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.6.3                               | Do you castrate using one of the following methods?<br>a. Rubber rings/bands<br>b. Scalpel<br>c. Bloodless clamp (Burdizzo)                                | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.9                                 | Fly Strike Management and Tail Docking   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.9.2                               | On average, are lambs tail docked at an age of 6 weeks or less?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.9.6                               | Are all lambs tail docked before 8 weeks of age?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.9.3                               | Are docked tails long enough to cover the vulva or anus?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.9.5                               | If you tail dock, do you use one of the following methods?<br>a. Rubber rings/bands<br>b. Scalpel<br>c. Cauterizing blade<br>d. Bloodless clamp (Burdizzo) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.10                                | Animal Identification  |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.10.3                              | If you ear notch, do you use one of the following?<br>a. An ear-notching tool<br>b. A surgically sharp knife/scalpel                                       | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.10.4                              | After ear notching, is at least 90% of the ear left intact?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.13                                | Weaning Age  |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.13.1                              | On average, are lambs weaned at an age of 12 weeks or more?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|                             |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
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| <b>4 LIVING ENVIRONMENT</b> |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.1                         | Living Environment  |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.1.1                       | Do you remove sheep from pasture:<br>a. For ease of management<br>b. For finishing<br>c. In adverse weather conditions or at other times when there is a risk to sheep health/welfare | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.1.7                       | If you use finishing lots, are market sheep in the lot for more than 70 days?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.3                         | Living Environment when Sheep are Removed from Pasture  |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.3.1                       | If you house sheep, do they have access to the outdoors during the day?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.3.7                       | Do you carry out mud scoring*?<br><br><i>*see Appendix IV in the Meat Sheep Standards</i>   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 4.4                         | Environmental Enrichment  |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.4.1                       | If lambs are removed from pasture, do they have access to bales or other platforms that they can jump on?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |



|       |  | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|-------|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 4.5   | Space Requirements   |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.5.1 | Do finishing lots provide at least 55 ft <sup>2</sup> (5 m <sup>2</sup> ) for each sheep?                          | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.5.2 | If you ever house sheep, do you give at least the following amount of <b>bedded area</b> for each sheep?           |                       |                       |                       |
|       | a. Ewe: 14 ft <sup>2</sup> (1.3 m <sup>2</sup> )   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | b. Ewe and single lamb: 18 ft <sup>2</sup> (1.7 m <sup>2</sup> )   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | c. Additional lamb: 4 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.4 m <sup>2</sup> )  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | d. Weaned lamb: 9 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.8 m <sup>2</sup> )  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | e. Ram: 17 ft <sup>2</sup> (1.6 m <sup>2</sup> )   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.5.4 | If you ever house sheep, do you give at least the following amount of <b>outdoor exercise area</b> for each sheep? |                       |                       |                       |
|       | a. Ewe: 27 ft <sup>2</sup> (2.5 m <sup>2</sup> )   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | b. Ewe and single lamb: 33 ft <sup>2</sup> (3.0 m <sup>2</sup> )   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | c. Additional lamb: 5 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.5 m <sup>2</sup> )  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | d. Weaned lamb: 12 ft <sup>2</sup> (1.1 m <sup>2</sup> )   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | e. Ram: 27 ft <sup>2</sup> (2.5 m <sup>2</sup> )   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.6   | Flooring   |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.6.1 | If you have slatted floors in housing, does it account for more than 25% of the total pen area?                    | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|   |  | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|---|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>6 TRANSPORT (i.e., any sheep movement off of the operation or on/around the operation for longer than 2 hours)</b> |  |                       |                       |                       |
| 6.3   | Loading/Unloading  |                       |                       |                       |
| 6.3.4   | Does the loading/unloading crew use electric prods?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 6.4   | Transport and Loading Equipment  |                       |                       |                       |
| 6.4.3   | Do ramp slopes for the first trailer deck have more than a 20-degree incline?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 6.4.6   | During transport, is each sheep given at least the following about of space?   |                       |                       |                       |
|   | a. Shorn sheep under 120 lbs: 2 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.2 m <sup>2</sup> )  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|   | b. Shorn sheep over 120 lbs: 3 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.3 m <sup>2</sup> )   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|   | c. Unshorn sheep under 120 lbs: 3 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.3 m <sup>2</sup> )  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|   | d. Unshorn sheep over 120 lbs: 4 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.4 m <sup>2</sup> )   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|   | e. Pregnant ewes under 120 lbs: 4 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.4 m <sup>2</sup> )  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|   | f. Pregnant ewes over 120 lbs: 5 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.5 m <sup>2</sup> )   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|   | <i>*This can be calculated by measuring the length and width of the floor inside the trailer. Multiply the two numbers to get the total area provided (if there are multiples levels in a trailer, calculate the space for each level and add them together). Next, divide the total area by the number of sheep you place in the trailer. This will give you the amount of space provided for each sheep.</i> |                       |                       |                       |
| 6.5   | Transport Personnel Responsibilities and Procedures  |                       |                       |                       |
| 6.5.4   | If the truck picks up animals from other operations in addition to yours, is there a separate delivery note for your operation?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 6.6   | Transport Duration   |                       |                       |                       |
| 6.6.1   | Does transport take longer than 18 hours?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

There is no Step 2 or Step 3 for meat sheep.

## Additional Step 4 Requirements

Only operations aiming to achieve a Step 4 should fill out this section. If you plan to apply for a different Step-level, you can jump to the Requirements section for the associated Step level.

|                                     |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>2 ANIMAL CARE AND MANAGEMENT</b> |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.6                                 | <b>Castration</b>   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.6.1                               | On average, are lambs castrated at an age of 6 weeks or less?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.6.4                               | Are all lambs castrated before 8 weeks of age?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.6.3                               | Do you castrate using one of the following methods?<br>a. Rubber rings/bands<br>b. Scalpel<br>c. Bloodless clamp (Burdizzo)   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.9                                 | <b>Fly Strike Management and Tail Docking</b>   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.9.2                               | On average, are lambs tail docked at an age of 6 weeks or less?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.9.6                               | Are all lambs tail docked before 8 weeks of age?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.9.3                               | Are docked tails long enough to cover the vulva or anus?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.9.5                               | If you tail dock, do you use one of the following methods?<br>a. Rubber rings/bands<br>b. Scalpel<br>c. Cauterizing blade<br>d. Bloodless clamp (Burdizzo)  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.10                                | <b>Animal Identification</b>  |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.10.3                              | If you ear notch, do you use one of the following?<br>a. An ear-notching tool<br>b. A surgically sharp knife/scalpel  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.10.4                              | After ear notching, is at least 90% of the ear left intact?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.13                                | <b>Weaning Age</b>  |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.13.1                              | On average, are lambs weaned at an age of 12 weeks or more?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.13.5                              | Are lambs weaned using the following low-stress methods?<br>a. Fence line weaning<br>b. Gradual removal of ewes from a group<br>c. Removing ewes from the group to leave lambs in familiar surroundings<br>d. Natural weaning | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|                             |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>4 LIVING ENVIRONMENT</b> |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.1                         | <b>Living Environment</b>   |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.1.1                       | Do you remove sheep from pasture:<br>a. For ease of management<br>b. For finishing<br>c. In adverse weather conditions or at other times when there is a risk to sheep health/welfare | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.1.3                       | If market lambs are born off pasture, do they spend the last 90 days of their lives on pasture?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.1.8                       | Do you use finishing lots of feed lots?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|       |   | Yes   | No  | NA  |
|-------|---|---|---|---|
| 4.3   | Living Environment when Sheep are Removed from Pasture  |   |   |   |
| 4.3.2 | If you house sheep, do they have access to the outdoors during the day?   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/>   |
| 4.3.7 | Do you carry out mud scoring*?<br><br><i>*see Appendix IV in the Meat Sheep Standards</i>   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/>   |   |
| 4.3.9 | If you remove sheep from pasture, do you give them a bedded area?   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/>   |
| 4.4   | Environmental Enrichment  |   |   |   |
| 4.4.1 | If lambs are removed from pasture, do they have access to bales or other platforms they can jump on?  | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/>   |
| 4.5   | Space Requirements  |   |   |   |
| 4.5.3 | If you ever house sheep, do you give at least the following amount of <b>bedded area</b> for each sheep?<br>a. Ewe: 15 ft <sup>2</sup> (1.4 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>b. Ewe and single lamb: 21 ft <sup>2</sup> (2.0 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>c. Additional lamb: 4 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.4 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>d. Weaned lamb: 10 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.9 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>e. Ram: 21 ft <sup>2</sup> (2.0 m <sup>2</sup> )           | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> |
| 4.5.4 | If you ever house sheep, do you give at least the following amount of <b>outdoor exercise area</b> for each sheep?<br>a. Ewe: 27 ft <sup>2</sup> (2.5 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>b. Ewe and single lamb: 33 ft <sup>2</sup> (3.0 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>c. Additional lamb: 5 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.5 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>d. Weaned lamb: 12 ft <sup>2</sup> (1.1 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>e. Ram: 27 ft <sup>2</sup> (2.5 m <sup>2</sup> ) | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> |
| 4.6   | Flooring  |   |   |   |
| 4.6.2 | Do you use slatted floors?  | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/>   |

|   |   | Yes   | No  | NA  |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| <b>6 TRANSPORT (i.e., any sheep movement off of the operation or on/around the operation for longer than 2 hours)</b> |   |   |   |   |
| 6.3   | Loading/Unloading   |   |   |   |
| 6.3.4   | Does the loading/unloading crew use electric prods?   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/>   |   |
| 6.4   | Transport and Loading Equipment   |   |   |   |
| 6.4.3   | Do ramp slopes for the first trailer deck have more than a 20-degree incline?   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/>   |
| 6.4.6   | During transport, is each sheep given at least the following about of space?<br>a. Shorn sheep under 120 lbs: 2 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.2 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>b. Shorn sheep over 120 lbs: 3 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.3 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>c. Unshorn sheep under 120 lbs: 3 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.3 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>d. Unshorn sheep over 120 lbs: 4 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.4 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>e. Pregnant ewes under 120 lbs: 4 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.4 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>f. Pregnant ewes over 120 lbs: 5 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.5 m <sup>2</sup> )<br><br><i>*This can be calculated by measuring the length and width of the floor inside the trailer. Multiply the two numbers to get the total area provided (if there are multiples levels in a trailer, calculate the space for each level and add them together). Next, divide the total area by the number of sheep you place in the trailer. This will give you the amount of space provided for each sheep.</i> | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> |
| 6.5   | Transport Personnel Responsibilities and Procedures   |   |   |   |

|       |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|-------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 6.5.4 | If the truck picks up animals from other operations in addition to yours, is there a separate delivery note for your operation? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 6.6   | Transport Duration  |                       |                       |                       |
| 6.6.1 | Does transport take longer than 18 hours?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

## Additional Step 5 Requirements

Only operations aiming to achieve a Step 5 should fill out this section. If you plan to apply for a different Step-level, you can jump to the Requirements section for the associated Step level.

|                                     |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>2 ANIMAL CARE AND MANAGEMENT</b> |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.6                                 | Castration  |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.6.2                               | Do you castrate?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.9                                 | Fly Strike Management and Tail Docking  |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.9.4                               | Do you tail dock?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.10                                | Animal Identification   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.10.5                              | Do you ear notch?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.13                                | Weaning Age   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.13.2                              | Is the average lamb age at weaning at least than 16 weeks?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.13.5                              | Are lambs weaned using the following low-stress methods?<br>a. Fence line weaning<br>b. Gradual removal of ewes from a group<br>c. Removing ewes from the group to leave lambs in familiar surroundings<br>d. Natural weaning   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.17                                | Other Commercial Animals on the Operation   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.17.1                              | Are all other livestock animals on the operation managed according to Step 1 Standards or higher?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.18                                | Domestic Animals on the Operation   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.18.2                              | Are all domestic animals (e.g., dogs, cats, horses, goats, chickens, or any other animals on the operation, including both pets and working animals) on-farm given the following?<br>a. Food and water<br>b. An environment that do not cause them injury and allows for exercise and comfortable resting<br>c. Veterinary attention, if required | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|                             |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>4 LIVING ENVIRONMENT</b> |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.1                         | Living Environment  |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.1.4                       | Do sheep have access to pasture at all times?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                             | If sheep need to be removed from pasture due to extreme weather, does it exceed:<br>a. 5 consecutive days<br>b. 25 days throughout a calendar year  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.1.8                       | Do you use finishing lots of feed lots?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.3                         | Living Environment when Sheep are Removed from Pasture  |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.3.9                       | If you remove sheep from pasture, do you give them a bedded area?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.5                         | Space Requirements  |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.5.3                       | If you ever house sheep, do you give at least the following amount of <b>bedded area</b> for each sheep?<br>a. Ewe: 15 ft <sup>2</sup> (1.4 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>b. Ewe and single lamb: 21 ft <sup>2</sup> (2.0 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>c. Additional lamb: 4 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.4 m <sup>2</sup> ) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|       |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|-------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|       | d. Weaned lamb: 10 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.9 m <sup>2</sup> )                            | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | e. Ram: 21 ft <sup>2</sup> (2.0 m <sup>2</sup> )                                    | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.6   | Flooring  |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.6.2 | In the event that you have to remove sheep from pasture, do you use slatted floors? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|   |  | Yes  | No   | NA   |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| <b>6 TRANSPORT (i.e., any sheep movement off of the operation or on/around the operation for longer than 2 hours)</b> |  |  |  |  |
| 6.3   | Loading/Unloading  |  |  |  |
| 6.3.4   | Does the loading/unloading crew use electric prods?  | <input type="radio"/>  | <input type="radio"/>  |  |
| 6.4   | Transport and Loading Equipment  |  |  |  |
| 6.4.3   | Do ramp slopes for the first trailer deck have more than a 20-degree incline?  | <input type="radio"/>  | <input type="radio"/>  | <input type="radio"/>  |
| 6.4.6   | During transport, is each sheep given at least the following about of space*?<br>a. Shorn sheep under 120 lbs: 2 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.2 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>b. Shorn sheep over 120 lbs: 3 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.3 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>c. Unshorn sheep under 120 lbs: 3 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.3 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>d. Unshorn sheep over 120 lbs: 4 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.4 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>e. Pregnant ewes under 120 lbs: 4 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.4 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>f. Pregnant ewes over 120 lbs: 5 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.5 m <sup>2</sup> ) | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/><br><input type="radio"/> |
|   | <i>*This can be calculated by measuring the length and width of the floor inside the trailer. Multiply the two numbers to get the total area provided (if there are multiples levels in a trailer, calculate the space for each level and add them together). Next, divide the total area by the number of sheep you place in the trailer. This will give you the amount of space provided for each sheep.</i>   |  |  |  |
| 6.5   | Transport Personnel Responsibilities and Procedures  |  |  |  |
| 6.5.4   | If the truck picks up animals from other operations in addition to yours, is there a separate delivery note for your operation?  | <input type="radio"/>  | <input type="radio"/>  | <input type="radio"/>  |
| 6.6   | Transport Duration   |  |  |  |
| 6.6.1   | Does transport take longer than 18 hours?  | <input type="radio"/>  | <input type="radio"/>  | <input type="radio"/>  |
| 6.8   | Sale/Auction Barns   |  |  |  |
| 6.8.1   | Do you sell any sheep, including cull ewes, through auction or sale barns?   | <input type="radio"/>  | <input type="radio"/>  |  |

## Additional Step 5+ Requirements

Only operations aiming to achieve a Step 5+ should fill out this section. If you plan to apply for a different Step-level, you can jump to the Requirements section for the associated Step level.

|                                     |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>2 ANIMAL CARE AND MANAGEMENT</b> |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.6                                 | Castration  |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.6.2                               | Do you castrate?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.9                                 | Fly Strike Management and Tail Docking  |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.9.4                               | Do you tail dock?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.10                                | Animal Identification   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.10.5                              | Do you ear notch?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.13                                | Weaning Age   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.13.2                              | Is the average lamb age at weaning at least than 16 weeks?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.13.5                              | Are lambs weaned using the following low-stress methods?<br>a. Fence line weaning<br>b. Gradual removal of ewes from a group<br>c. Removing ewes from the group to leave lambs in familiar surroundings<br>d. Natural weaning   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.17                                | Other Commercial Animals on the Operation   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.17.1                              | Are all other livestock animals on the operation managed according to Step 1 Standards or higher?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.18                                | Domestic Animals on the Operation   |                       |                       |                       |
| 2.18.2                              | Are all domestic animals (e.g., dogs, cats, horses, goats, chickens, or any other animals on the operation, including both pets and working animals) on-farm given the following?<br>a. Food and water<br>b. An environment that do not cause them injury and allows for exercise and comfortable resting<br>c. Veterinary attention, if required | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|                             |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>4 LIVING ENVIRONMENT</b> |   |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.1                         | Living Environment  |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.1.4                       | Do sheep have access to pasture at all times?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                             | If sheep need to be removed from pasture due to extreme weather, does it exceed:<br>a. 5 consecutive days<br>b. 25 days throughout a calendar year  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.1.8                       | Do you use finishing lots of feed lots?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.3                         | Living Environment when Sheep are Removed from Pasture  |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.3.9                       | If you remove sheep from pasture, do you give them a bedded area?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.5                         | Space Requirements  |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.5.3                       | If you ever house sheep, do you give at least the following amount of <b>bedded area</b> for each sheep?<br>a. Ewe: 15 ft <sup>2</sup> (1.4 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>b. Ewe and single lamb: 21 ft <sup>2</sup> (2.0 m <sup>2</sup> )<br>c. Additional lamb: 4 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.4 m <sup>2</sup> ) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|       |   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|-------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|       | d. Weaned lamb: 10 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.9 m <sup>2</sup> )                            | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | e. Ram: 21 ft <sup>2</sup> (2.0 m <sup>2</sup> )                                    | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.6   | Flooring  |                       |                       |                       |
| 4.6.2 | In the event that you have to remove sheep from pasture, do you use slatted floors? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|                                      |  | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|--------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>5 RODENT AND PREDATOR CONTROL</b> |  |                       |                       |                       |
| 5.2                                  | Predator Control   |                       |                       |                       |
| 5.2.6                                | Are live traps checked <b>twice</b> daily and captures released within 24 hours? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|   |  | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|---|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>6 TRANSPORT (i.e., any sheep movement off of the operation or on/around the operation for longer than 2 hours)</b> |  |                       |                       |                       |
| 6.6   | Transport Duration   |                       |                       |                       |
| 6.6.2   | Do you transport market sheep off the operation?                           | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 6.8   | Sale/Auction Barns   |                       |                       |                       |
| 6.8.1   | Do you sell any sheep, including cull ewes, through auction or sale barns? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

|                                 |  | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>8 SLAUGHTER REQUIREMENTS</b> |  |                       |                       |                       |
| 8.2                             | Segregation and in-Facility Traceability |                       |                       |                       |
| 8.2.2                           | Are market sheep slaughtered on-farm?    | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |



## Records and Documents

All operations, no matter which Step level you are applying for, should complete this section.

Records and documents should be written and organized. Acceptable formats include, but are not limited to, record sheets and cards, calendars, notebooks, and computer documents. If you do not have any records or documents listed here, please check the Meat Sheep area of the G.A.P. website for templates to get you started.

| Std #                     | Document needed for auditor to review   | Yes                   | No                    | NA                    |
|---------------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|                           | Do you keep a record of the dates for your lambing period?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 1.3.3                     | Do you keep treatment records?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|                           | If Yes Do your records include:   |                       |                       |                       |
|                           | a. The substance/product administered   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|                           | b. Animal or group identification   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|                           | c. Date and method of administration  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 1.3.9                     | Do you have a written plan for internal and external parasite control?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 1.3.10                    | If your operation has had problems with skin conditions and/or fungal infections (e.g. sore mouth/Orf virus), do you have a written control plan? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.1.1,<br>2.1.2,<br>2.1.3 | During flock observations, if there are any health for welfare issues, do you keep a record?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.2.1                     | After assessing body condition, do you keep a record of any thin sheep?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 2.6.1                     | Do you keep a record of the date(s) you castrate each flock?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.9.2                     | Do you keep a record of the date(s) you tail dock each flock?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.11.1                    | Do you keep a record of the number of assisted lambings for each lamb crop?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.11.2                    | Do you keep a record of the number of cesarean sections for each lamb crop?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.13                      | Do you keep a record of the date(s) you wean each flock and/or batch?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                           | If you have to wean an individual lamb early, do you keep a record of the date of weaning and the reason?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2.15.1                    | Do you keep mortality records?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|                           | If Yes Do you record mortality separately for:  |                       |                       |                       |
|                           | a. Pre-weaned lambs   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                           | b. Market lambs   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|                           | c. Breeding stock   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                           | Do you note the cause of death?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 3.4.4                     | Do you keep copies of all feed tags/ingredient lists, including vitamin and mineral mixes?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 4.1.3,                    | If you take sheep off pasture, do you keep a record?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.1.7                     | If Yes Do your records include:   |                       |                       |                       |
|                           | a. The date they are removed  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                           | b. The reason for removal   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                           | c. The date they return to pasture  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4.7.1                     | If sheep are housed, do you assess and record air quality daily?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 6.5.1                     | Do the drivers who transport your sheep have a document that covers their responsibilities during transport?                                      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 6.7.1                     | If you ship sheep off-farm, do you keep transport records?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                           | If Yes Do your records include:   |                       |                       |                       |
|                           | a. Date   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|                           | b. Loading start and end times  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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|-------|--------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|       |        | c. Departure and arrival times  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       |        | d. Number of sheep transported  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       |        | e. Reasons for stops or delays en route   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       |        | f. Mortalities  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 7.1.1 |        | Do you have a written farm plan?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       | If Yes | Does your plan that include:  |                       |                       |                       |
|       |        | a. An overview of the operation   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       |        | b. Nutrition/feeding details  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       |        | c. Health programs  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       |        | d. Routine husbandry practices  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       |        | e. Protocols for sick and injured sheep   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       |        | f. Outdoor area and pasture management  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       |        | g. Rodent and predator control practices  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       |        | h. Management during adverse weather  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       |        | i. Emergency procedures   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
| 7.2.1 |        | Do you have a biosecurity plan?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       | If Yes | Does your plan that include:  |                       |                       |                       |
|       |        | a. Procedures for bringing any new or returning sheep on-site   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       |        | b. Procedures and policies for employees  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       |        | c. Procedures and policies for visitors   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       |        | d. Procedures for feed trucks and equipment delivery  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       |        | e. Policy for shared borders with neighboring operations  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       |        | f. Clean-out procedures of housing and pens between groups of sheep   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 7.4.2 |        | Do you keep employee training records?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | If Yes | Do your records include:  |                       |                       |                       |
|       |        | a. Date of training   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       |        | b. Topics covered   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 7.6.1 |        | If you move sheep, whether on or off your farm, do you keep a record?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |                       |
|       | If Yes | Do you keep records:  |                       |                       |                       |
|       |        | a. For each flock   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       |        | b. That can trace all sheep back to birth   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       |        | c. That can trace subsequent movement of all sheep to next destination (i.e., to the finishing operation or slaughter facility) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 7.6.2 |        | Do you keep a chain of custody record for each shipment of sheep?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       | If Yes | Do your records include:  |                       |                       |                       |
|       |        | a. Number of sheep transported  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       |        | b. Date   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       |        | c. Step-level   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       |        | d. Certificate number   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       |        | e. Certificate expiry date  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       |        | f. Next destination (i.e. operation, collection, slaughter plant)   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
|       |        | g. Any deviations granted   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 7.6.3 |        | If you buy sheep, do you keep a copy of the previous operation's G.A.P. certificate?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |