Sheep farm Report

Veterinary assisting 2: 14.02 identifies ovine breeds and their characteristics and husbandry practices.

Instructions:

Since we have completed the management section for sheep it is now time for us to move to our farm model. Over this week I expect you each to complete an online model of a sheep farm. This assignment is going to be slightly different from all of our other farm models we have worked through. For this model I want you all to research how you will conduct your farm in each of the following sections and include pictures of example farms you want to mimic. Due to the low market for wool for this assignment you should all assume that your farm is a mutton farm (sheep meat). Below are the sections I want you to include in your farm report. I have included sample questions for this assignment, I am also going to mark if I expect you to attach pictures for these sections.

Expected progress:

I expect this assignment to take you all week to complete. Similar to if we were completing this assignment in class time. I would break it up by finishing one section of the assignment a day.

Systems of raising sheep

* What type of system will you use on your farm?
* Why have you chosen this system?
* When are these lambs born?
* What are benefits to using this system?
* When do these lambs go to market in this system?
* How old are the lambs when they go to market?
* How much do they weight?

Feeding sheep

Include pictures of the items you will be feeding your sheep

* How will you feed your sheep?
* How are you going to provide your sheep with salt and minerals?
* How will your sheep have access to water?
* How will they have access to shade?
* How will you feed your pregnant ewes differently?

Breeding

Include pictures of how you will shear rams, how you will shear ewes to keep them clean, and of the breeds of sheep you will use on your farm.

* When are you going to sheer the ram?
* When are you going to breed your ewes for your system?
* Are you planning to produce cross bred lambs?
  + If you are which two breeds?
  + Why these two breeds?
* If you are planning to have pure bred lambs, what breed are you going to pick?
  + Why that breed?
* Are you going to shear pregnant ewes?
  + If you are not, then what practice are you going to use to ensure the lambing process is sanitary?
* Are you going to keep bred ewes separate from the rest of the flock?

Other management practices

* When are you going to vaccinate your sheep?
  + Against what?
* When will you deworm?
  + How?
* How are you going to prevent predators? Include pictures

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System for raising sheep

Feeding sheep

Breeding techniques

Vaccinations

Dewormed

safety