Describe how the wearing of sheep teeth affects productivity, and inspect and age sheep teeth

Level 2
Credits 3

Purpose People credited with this unit standard are able to: describe the way sheep teeth change with age, and the effect of normal and excessive teeth wear on productivity; and inspect sheep teeth, and age sheep by mouthing.

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Special notes

1 Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to – Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, Animal Welfare Act 1999, and their subsequent amendments.

Elements and performance criteria

Element 1

Describe the way sheep teeth change with age, and the effect of normal and excessive teeth wear on productivity.

Performance criteria

1.1 The natural process of sheep ageing is described in terms of the changes which occur in their teeth.

1.2 Teeth wear through the natural process of ageing is described in terms of the effect on sheep productivity, and the implications for sheep management and culling.

1.3 Excessive teeth wear and damage is described in terms of the contributing factors, and effect on sheep productivity.

1.4 Faults of mouth conformation are described in terms of the contributing factors, effect on productivity, and implications for culling.

Range undershot jaw, overshot jaw, low row.

Element 2

Inspect sheep teeth, and age sheep by mouthing.

Performance criteria

2.1 Sheep mouths are opened for inspection without causing undue stress to sheep.

2.2 Sheep teeth are inspected for damage or excessive wear, without causing undue stress to sheep.

Range loose teeth, broken mouth.

2.3 Sheep are aged by inspection of their teeth without causing undue stress to sheep.

Range hogget, 2 tooth, 4 tooth, 6 tooth, full mouth.

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