APPENDIX C TO THE RULES OF THE SOCIETY RULES AND CONDITIONS RELATING TO SHEEP CLASSES

Entries will be accepted from both categories.

All entries must be accompanied by correct remittance and are received on condition that the Show Committee accepts no responsibility for any loss damage or accident, etc. which may be sustained to vehicles, sheep or persons or any property whatsoever.

In the event of Show cancellation entry fees will be refunded less 10% to cover administration costs.

These Rules comply with Defra instructions in place at the time of printing this Schedule. It is the responsibility of Exhibitors to comply with all current DEFRA Rules and Regulations in force on Show day. If in doubt please contact East Sussex Trading Standards – Tel: 0345 4040506.

1. EXHIBITORS INSURANCE
   It is the responsibility of exhibitors to insure all property and livestock on the Showground or elsewhere which is his own, or for which he is responsible. The Society requires exhibitors to affect Employers Liability insurance where this is required by statute. The Society also requires exhibitors to affect Public Liability and Products Liability insurance. The Society requires all exhibitors to ensure they have the appropriate insurance cover by checking with their insurance company.

2. SHEEP & GOAT HEALTH SCHEME
   i) The society will accept entries as follows:
      (1) MV Accredited
      (2) Non Scheme sheep
   ii) Separate accommodation will be provided and identified for both categories.
   iii) Separate unloading/loading points will be provided.
   iv) ALL sheep must be halter/collar led and will be judged together, according to their status.
   v) Scheme sheep must be accompanied by a certificate stating the number and classification of their Scheme Status including, in the case of an Accredited Flock, the flock registration number.
   vi) Certificates will be handed to the Steward in charge before being allowed into the pens provided for them. THE FLOCKS SCHEME STATUS MUST ALSO BE SHOWN ON THE SHEEP HEALTH DECLARATION FORMS AND A PHOTOCOPY OF THE RELEVANT CERTIFICATE MUST BE SENT WITH ENTRIES (Ref. Ministry Form No. SH 20).
   vii) Exhibitors (flock owners) are responsible for the following: Avoidance of any contact with sheep of a lower category. If no contact has been made, sheep may return home without isolation or blood test. If contact has been made, then the sheep must be placed in isolation on return and undergo appropriate blood tests to regain their scheme status.
   viii) Whilst the Society will take all necessary precautions to protect the status of scheme sheep it will not hold itself responsible for any accidental contacts made which may affect the status of an exhibitor’s flock.

3 In view of the Animal Welfare Regulations, all sheep entered for the Show must comply with the Regulation that sufficient tail will have to be retained to cover the vulva of female sheep and the anus of male sheep. Any sheep which fails to meet this legal requirement will be refused admissions to the Showground by the Society.

4 Shearing to be in accordance with Breed Standards.

5 In all classes for shearlings and lambs, these terms shall be as currently defined by the Breed Society for the sheep entered. Date of birth to be included on entry form. Lambs must show all lamb teeth and be bred by exhibitor.

6 In any case in which, in the opinion of the Judge, sheep have been unfairly clipped, he will mark and report such sheep for disqualification.

7 Any sheep that has been dipped/sprayed and is still emitting fumes from this process will be excluded from the Show on the grounds of public health and safety. The use of Bloom dip or Bloom powder will be prohibited. Any surface colouring will be at the discretion of the Breed Society Standards.

8 In all cases where single sheep are shown, these are not eligible for the Pen classes.

9 Flock promotional material may only be exhibited adjacent to livestock by each exhibitor in a manner which does not constitute a trade stand and does not exceed the length of the pen (i.e. 6 feet). Only rosettes awarded at the 2017 Heathfield Show may be displayed.
The Show Committee reserves the right to cancel any class with three or less entries.

The Committee reserves the right to reject or cancel the entries made by any person, if it should deem fit to do so and the right to amalgamate classes or cancel any class or classes, refunding any fees paid in respect thereof.

In the interest of public safety, no cattle or sheep may be loaded until all animals have been returned to their stalling after the Cattle Parade.

**Morning Unloading.** All animals must be on the ground by 8.00 am. Failure to comply may make exhibitors liable to a fine or disqualification.

Protests – Notice of objection to any entry or decision must be made in writing to the Sheep Secretary as soon as possible and in any case not later than 30 minutes after the judging is completed. A deposit of £5 must be made; if on investigation the protest is not sustained, the deposit will be forfeited to the funds of the Show Society.

In all cases the Judge’s decision is final.

Sheep Pens. The Society is concerned at the increasing numbers of unoccupied sheep pens. The Council reserves the right to limit the allocation of pens at future shows to exhibitors who fail to show the number of sheep entered and included in the livestock programme. All bedding and feed must be supplied by the exhibitor. Drinking and washing water is available on the showground.

Although there is a closing date for entries, the Show Council reserves the right to limit entries to match the pen capacity.

Sheep may only be shown in one class except Group and Young Handler classes.

Sheep Cups to be collected from the Sheep Secretary’s tent from 4.30 pm.

Exhibitors may enter one category of sheep only, either accredited or non accredited no matter how many breeds are entered.

SCRAPIE MONITORING SCHEME. It is a condition of entry that all female sheep exhibited at the Show (except Dorset Horn and Poll Dorset) must be:

i) non pregnant (empty)

ii) not have lambed within 30 days prior to the Show

iii) not be subject to procedures which change the seasonal breeding pattern.

We require all exhibitors to make a declaration with their entry forms that their female sheep conform to the above ruling. The Society reserves the right to remove from the Showground any sheep suspected of being in lamb or having recently lambed or generally showing signs of ill health.

In the event of a serious accident to an animal and on the recommendation of the Show Veterinary Officer that the animal be slaughtered all efforts will be made to contact the animal’s owner for consent to slaughter. If the owner cannot be found within a reasonable period of time, a police officer on site will be asked to provide written authority as empowered under the Protection of Animals Act 1911.

No entries will be accepted from any exhibitor unless accompanied by the appropriate declaration forms and copy of certificate, in the case of scheme sheep.

Mobile phones are not permitted in the sheep judging rings.

Please be advised the Sheep Committee do not provide straw for exhibitor pens.

Exhibitors are responsible for the safe keeping of their cups if they wish to remove them from the Showground and will be required to pay a £50 deposit repayable upon the return of the cup.

All Sheep Entry and Remittance Forms to be sent to:
MISS RACHAEL SMITH
WHEELWRIGHTS STUDIO
MUDDLES GREEN, CHIDDINGLY
EAST SUSSEX. BN86HS
01825 873441 . 07771723033

ENTRIES CLOSE ON 1st APRIL 2017.

EXHIBITORS REQUIRE PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE COVER TO BE ABLE TO EXHIBIT SHEEP AT THE HEATHFIELD & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SHOW.
TIMES OF JUDGING

PRIME LAMBS will be judged in Pens at 10.00 am, followed by COMMERCIAL EWES.
TEXEL, SOUTHDOWN, BRITISH SHORTWOOL, HILL & HEATH CLASSES,
BRITISH LONGWOOL & AOB FOREIGN will be judged at 10.30 a.m..
WOOL ON HOOF fleeces will be judged at 2.30 p.m.
Young Handler judging at 3.00 p.m.
Cup presentation 16.00 pm

RARE BREEDS

Breeds eligible are those listed in the Rare Breed Survival Trust Priority and Minority Lists.
After Judging of the Breed Champions, The judging of the 1st Prize winners in classes 119-130 will go forward to be Judged for the Rare Breed Championship. This will be followed by Supreme Champion Judging.

DRESS CODE

It is requested that all Exhibitors wear white coats.

CUP PRESENTATION

All Cups for Breed Champions, Prime Lambs, Wool & Rare Breeds and the Clare Hastings Perpetual Challenge Trophy for The Supreme Champion Sheep and The South East Marts Perpetual Challenge Cup for the Champion Young Handler will be presented in the Championship Ring.

All Cups awarded at the 2017 Show are to be collected on Show Day from the Sheep Secretary’s tent. Engraving will be undertaken on return of the cup prior to presentation at the 2018 Show. A returnable security deposit of £50.00 per cup will be required if cups are to be removed from Showground.
PRIME LAMBS
Judge: Mr D Harriott – West Sussex

These classes will be judged by their quality as butchers’ lambs ready for slaughter. Lambs, which in the opinion of the stewards have been trimmed or washed other than the necessary dagging, will be disqualified prior to judging.

CLASS
100 PRIME LAMBS – PEN OF THREE. Untrimmed, any breed or cross-sired by a ram of foreign origin.

101 PRIME LAMBS – PEN OF THREE. Untrimmed, sired by a ram of British origin.

THE MALPASS JUBILEE CUP presented by Alan Malpass Esq, for the Champion Pen.
THE ALAN MALPASS PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP presented by Alan Malpass Esq for the winner of class 100.
THE SUE WATSON PERPETUAL CHALLENGE TROPHY for the winner of class 101.
The Show Council reserves the right to transfer sheep that do not comply with Heathfield Agricultural Show Society rules.
THE SOUTHERN TEXEL GROUP will award £20.00 for the best pen sired by a Texel.

COMMERCIAL EWE COMPETITION
Judge: Mr D Harriott – West Sussex

Entries will be accepted from MV ACCREDITED and NON SCHEME sheep. The shearing of ewes it at the exhibitor’s discretion. Sheep may only be shown in one class. The Show Society reserves the right to transfer sheep that do no comply with the breed class.

CLASS
102 PAIR OF CROSS-BRED SHEARLING EWES.
By a native sire. (Suffolk/Down Breeds/Poll Dorset)

103 PAIR OF CROSS-BRED SHEARLING EWES sired by continental sire.

RR Firrell Memorial Trophy for Champion pen.

TEXEL
Judge: Mr A Draper – Devon

These classes are restricted to MV ACCREDITED sheep only.
Entries are restricted to sheep registered with BTSS. Sheep to be shown in accordance with the rules of the BTSS.
Sheep may only be shown in one class: excluding class 113.

CLASS
109 SHEARLING RAM.

110 RAM LAMB.

111 SHEARLING EWE.

112 EWE LAMB.

113 GROUPS OF THREE. The property of and bred by the same Exhibitor. One animal the opposite sex to the other two. The animals must have been entered in the previous classes.

THE MARSHALL (LAMBERHURST) LTD. CHALLENGE TROPHY, presented by Marshall (Lamberhurst) Ltd for the Champion Texel.
Entries will be accepted from MV ACCREDITED and NON SCHEME sheep in these classes. Entries are restricted to registered flock owners.

Sheep may only be show in one class, excluding **118**.

**CLASS**

114  **SHEARLING RAM.**

115  **RAM LAMB.**

116  **SHEARLING EWE.**

117  **EWE LAMB.**

118  **GROUP OF THREE.** The property of and bred by the same Exhibitor. One animal the opposite sex to the other two. The animals must have been entered in the previous classes.

**THE FRANK GRANTHAM MEMORIAL TROPHY** for the Champion.

**THE PETER CLEMENTSON MEMORIAL TROPHY** will be presented to the Exhibitor of Southdown sheep gaining most points on a scale of 1<sup>st</sup> 5, 2<sup>nd</sup> 4, 3<sup>rd</sup> 3, 4<sup>th</sup> 2, 5<sup>th</sup> 1, Champion 2, Reserve Champion 1. The Champion Southdown to go forward to be judged for the Rare Breed Championship.

**ANY OTHER PURE BRED SHEEP – BRITISH SHORTWOOL**

Judge: Mr D Craig – East Sussex

Entries will be accepted from MV ACCREDITED and NON SCHEME sheep of British origin only and not eligible to compete in classes **100 - 118 and 123 – 134.**

Entries are restricted to sheep registered with their own Breed society. Sheep may only be shown in one class. **Classes 119 – 128** may be amalgamated if insufficient entries.

**CLASS**

119  **SHEARLING RAM.**

120  **RAM LAMB.**

121  **SHEARLING EWE.**

122  **EWE LAMB.**

**THE CLA PERPETUAL TROPHY,** presented by the South East Region of the CLA, for the Champion.
ANY OTHER PURE BREED SHEEP – BRITISH LONGWOOL
Judge: Mrs S Holdich - Suffolk

Entries will be accepted from MV ACCREDITED and NON SCHEME sheep of British origin only and not eligible to compete in classes 100 – 122 and 131 – 134.
Entries are restricted to sheep registered with their own Breed society.
Sheep may only be shown in one class.

CLASS
123 SHEARLING RAM.
124 RAM LAMB.
125 SHEARLING EWE.
126 EWE LAMB.

THE HERONSDALE PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP presented by WJ Chambers Esq., for the Champion.
THE HERBERT CATT MEMORIAL TROPHY awarded for the Best Romney sheep.

HILL & HEATH
Judge: Mr G Tobitt- Surrey

Entries will be accepted from MV ACCREDITED and NON SCHEME sheep of British origin only and not eligible to compete in classes 100 – 122 and 131 – 134.
Entries are restricted to sheep registered with their own Breed society.
Sheep may only be shown in one class.

CLASS
127 SHEARLING RAM.
128 RAM LAMB.
129 SHEARLING EWE.
130 EWE LAMB.

SHEPHERD PUBLISHING PERPETUAL TROPHY presented by Shepherd Publishing Limited for the Champion

ANY OTHER PURE BRED SHEEP – FOREIGN
Judge: Mr J Metianu - Ashford

These classes are restricted to MV ACCREDITED sheep of foreign origin only, not eligible to compete in classes 100 – 118.
Entries are restricted to sheep registered with their own Breed Society.
Sheep to be shown in accordance with the rules of their Breed Society.
Sheep may only be shown in one class, excluding class 135.

CLASS
131 SHEARLING RAM.
132 RAM LAMB.
133 SHEARLING EWE.
134 EWE LAMB.
135 GROUP OF THREE. The property of and bred by the same Exhibitor. One animal the opposite sex to the other two. The animals must have been entered in the previous classes.

THE BAYER UK PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP presented by Bayer UK Ltd, for the Champion.

The Show Council reserves the right to transfer sheep that do not comply with Heathfield Agricultural Show Society rules of origin.
SHEEP CHAMPIONSHIPS

RARE BREED CHAMPION
Judge: Mr G Tobitt - Surrey

THE YOUNG PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP, presented by Young’s Animal Health Ltd, for the Champion Rare Breed. Rosettes and Prize Cards for the Champion and Reserve Champion Rare Breed.

SUPREME SHEEP CHAMPION
Will be judged by a Panel of Judges working on a points system.

PRIZES £100 Champion. £50 Reserve Champion.

The Supreme Champion prize money and Championship Sash and Reserve Champion prize money sponsored by Watson Associates.

THE CLARE HASTINGS PERPETUAL CHALLENGE TROPHY for the Champion together with a Championship Rosette.

WOOL ON HOOF
Judge: Mr S Spencer - Bradford

Judging to commence at 2.30 pm.
Entry Fee £2.00. Entries may be taken on the day. Trophy presented to Champion

CLASS
136 Shortwool Classes
137 Longwool Classes

SHEEP YOUNG HANDLER CLASS
Judge: Mr N Page – East Sussex

Judging to commence at 3.00pm.
Depending on entrant numbers in the 11 – 16-year-old class. Entrants maybe split between those with an Agricultural College/Young Farmers background and those without.

Open to Young Handlers, 16 years of age or under, showing sheep already entered in previous classes including lambs from Prime Lamb classes. **Judging will be on the ability of the handler to present to the judge.** The age of the handler is to be shown on the entry form.

Sheep may be MV Accredited or Non Scheme.
Entries may be taken on the day of the Show if room.
Entry Fee: £1.50 members, £2.00 non members
Prizes: £6, £5, £4, £3, £2, £1. Rosettes for all entrants.
CLASS
138 6-10 YEARS OLD.
139 11-16 YEARS OLD.

SOUTH EAST MARTS PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP for the best Young Handler presented by South East Mart.

THE SHEEP PARADE OF BREED CHAMPIONS and representatives of each breed will follow the Young Handlers classes.

All sheep entries and remittance forms should be sent to:

Miss Rachael Smith
Wheelwrights Studio
Muddles Green, East Sussex
BN8 6HS

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