



Data Entry Book

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SHEEP GENETICS AUSTRALIA



NOTES - Please refer to the SGA Breeder's Quality Assurance Manual for further detail.

1. Fill out a line for every lamb born, including lambs dead at birth. Dead lambs can be assigned an ID as DAB001, etc. SGA also recommends that dry ewes be recorded.
2. Do not recycle lamb ear tag numbers from lambs that have died as this causes confusion in data analysis.
3. The table below lists the two digit breed codes for most breeds. Use the code for your breed on the stud identification line (Stud Number: XX/_____) on the top of the page. If your breed is not listed phone SGA for the code.
4. All sheep require a 16 digit identification number. The number consists of:
 First two digits..... Breed of the flock - BB
 Next four digits..... Registered (or unregistered) flock - FFFF
 Next four digits..... Year of Birth - YYYY
 Last six digits..... On farm ID number, starting with the last two digits of year of birth - TTTTTT
 The complete ID is therefore.... BBFFFFYYYYTTTTTT. If you are unsure of your flock number please consult SGA.
5. SGA does not input any data. This information needs to be submitted via one of the recommended software packages or via an SGA formatted text file. You can enter the data yourself or you can have a Data Service Provider enter it for you. A list of Data Service Providers can be obtained from the SGA office.
6. With improvement in post weaning and yearling weights now evident in most breeds SGA recommend that birth weights also be collected to enable SGA to produce accurate breeding values for this trait and help minimise lambing difficulties.
7. Record management groups as they are created either at lambing or at weaning in column...Man Group.

BREED CODES TABLE

Breed	Code	Breed	Code	Breed	Code	Breed	Code	Breed	Code
Border Leicester	02	Corriedale	03	Dorset Horn	04	Coolalee	05	Bond	06
Gromark	07	Wiltshire Horn	09	Hampshire Dn	11	Southdown	14	Coopworth	15
Poll Dorset	16	Texel	17	Suffolk	19	South Suffolk	21	Aust Finnsheep	22
White Suffolk	23	Ryeland	34	Boer Goats	36	Texeldown	37	East Friesian	38
Booroola	39	Dorper	47	SAMM	48	Damara	49	Merino	50
Dohne	51	Poll Merino	60	Comp Terminal	CT	Comp Maternal	CM		

