SCORE CARD FOR WOOL JUDGING

Points

Estimated Clean Wool Content (yield and shrinkage) 35

High yield per fleece is desirable. Small amount o flight-colored yolk as free from adhering sand, dirt and vegetable matter as possible. Cut heavily if tied with any twine other than paper.

Length 25

Should be combing or staple length for the grade: i.e., fine, 3 in.; ½ blood, 3 ½ in.; 3/8 blood, 3 3/4 in.; 1/4 blood, 4 in.; low 1/4 blood, 4 1/4 in.; braid, 4 ½ in. Lengths more than ½ inch greater than this are of no additional value except increasing the yield and grease weight.

Quality or Fineness 10

Should fall clearly in one of the grades according to fineness; i.e., fine, ½ blood; 3/8 blood; 1/4 blood; low 1/4 blood; braid. Uniformity of fineness particularly desirable. Cut heavily for hairy britch.

Soundness (strength) 10

Fiber should be strong throughout and free from breaks.

Purity 10

Free from hair, kemp, black or brown fibers. Cut heavily for black or brown fibers and coarse, hairy britch.

Character and Color (crimp) 10

Evenly crimped or wavy from base to top. Crimp should be distinct. Free from frowsy wool. Soft and springy to the touch. White to cream, bright color most desirable. Should be free from stains and with an even distribution of yolk.

TOTAL 100