

Scorecard for Judging a CVM/Romeldale
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Appearance of the "Dream CVM

General- CVM sheep are sturdy animals with a strong bone structure and well-balanced, capacious bodies. In addition, the CVM has an alert but calm and confident disposition. Emphasis should be placed on selecting for these breed characteristics. Several wool styles are acceptable within the breed. However, only one style should be present on the body of a particular animal and it should be uniform throughout. Rams (175-275 lbs) should exhibit masculine characteristics and ewes (140-175 lbs) should exhibit feminine characteristics.

Head and Neck- The long face is usually clean with a small topknot or bare head. The neck should join smoothly with the shoulders. If horned ewes horns should be small, curved forward and downward and close to the jaw. Horns should not touch the face or jaw.

Body- The forequarter should be light and the shoulders level with the back. The back should be straight with good length and a flat loin, blending smoothly from the base of the neck and ending in a minimal slope. The hindquarter should be broad to accommodate a wide pelvis.

Legs- Front legs should be straight and wide-set. Rear legs should have a slight natural curve from a side view, and be straight and wide spread from a rear view. Pasterns should be strong and upright.

Udder or Scrotum- Ewes should have well-formed, soft, even udders with two good teats. Rams should have two large, even, well-developed testicles.

FLEECE

Natural of the badger face maybe deceptive, as it can be so light to seem white. This is very acceptable.

Character- The high yielding fleece should be uniformly crimped overall with a soft hand. Free of kemp and hair, the fleece should exhibit good length.

Color- The fleece should be free of stains. White CVM fleeces should be free of black or brown fiber. Natural colored fleeces may be variegated, exhibiting more than one shade in a fleece.

Luster- The fleece should exhibit a bright, shiny, healthy appearance.

Quantity- Annual fleece production should be eight pounds or more for ewes, and 10 pounds or more for rams. This should be attributed to the density and length of the fleece rather than excessive grease.

Length- Annual fleece length should be 3-6 inches.

Grade- Wool with a spinning count of 58-64 is within the breed standard.

SCORECARD

General Appearance 15%
Head and Neck 5%
Body 15%
Legs 10%
Udder & Scrotum 5%
Wool 50%