

February 16, 2016

Dear Sheep Producer,

Enclosed is your copy of the 2016 Douglas County Wool Pool contract. The deadline to return your contract is Friday, March 11, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. After that date your wool will not be accepted in the Pool. We recommend that you make a copy of the contract for your records. **Please read and follow the contract carefully. There have been some changes to the contract from previous years.**

The wool will only be accepted in standard wool bags or bales. **NO FILM BAGS, PLASTIC FEED BAGS OR DOG FOOD SACKS WILL BE ALLOWED.** The wool will be put up for bid and sold as bagged or baled. There may be one price for bags and one price for bales. The wool is expected to bring .05 cents per pound more when it is baled.

The Wool Pool Committee will attempt to sell the wool at the best possible price within the current market conditions and anticipate shipping by the end of July. It is especially important to deliver your wool clean, dry and well packed. **Any foreign material such as dung tags, trash, baler twine, hair sheep crosses**, or tied fleeces will be grounds for rejection. [**BREEDS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO: KATAHDIN, ST.CROIX, DORPER, BLACK BELLIE BARBADOS AND ANY HAIR SHEEP CROSSES.]**

The Wool Pool is sponsored by the Douglas County Livestock Association and is coordinated by the Wool Pool Committee. To participate in the Pool you must be a member of the Douglas County Livestock Association. If you are not a current member, please include a check for \$30.00, made payable to Douglas County Livestock Association, when you return your contract.

Dues are current for this membership year. Thank you!

Dues are presently unpaid. Please fill out and return the enclosed dues invoice along with your \$30.00 payment and completed contract.

The Wool Pool committee appreciates your continued participation and support.

Sincerely,

Howard Henderlong

Chairman, Wool Pool Committee

(541) 673-5991



DOUGLAS COUNTY LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION WOOL POOL MARKETING AGREEMENT

Deadline: **March 11, 2016 by 5:00 p.m.**

I, the undersigned producer, wish to market my 2016 wool through the Douglas County Livestock Association Wool Pool, hereinafter called the Pool, and agree to deliver, at the time and place designated by the Wool Pool Committee the following amounts of wool. [Not over a 10% variance accepted in numbers.] **Please fill in number of head. If known, fill in number of bags and/or bales.**

Number of annual sheared fleeces _____, number of bags _____, number of bales _____

Number of lamb's wool _____, number of bags _____, number of bales _____

Number of crutchings _____, number of bags _____, number of bales _____

Number of black wool fleeces _____, number of bags _____, number of bales _____

I further agree to the following regulations:

1. You must be a current member of the Douglas County Livestock Association and a producer in Douglas County.
2. I guarantee that the wool is dry, free from dung tags, trash, or baler twine and the **fleeces are untied**. The bags will be sewn with hemp or cotton sacking twine only. I will do my best to try to keep the wool as clean as possible and pack the wool firmly in standard wool bags or bales – **No Film Bags, Plastic Feed Bags or Dog Food Sacks.**
3. Annual sheared sheep [fleece wool], lamb's wool, crutchings, and black wool will be included in the Pool. These four types of wool will be offered for bid and may result in different bid prices. Crutchings and black wool may be sold private treaty through the Pool, not bid on. The Pool will determine whether to accept the high bid or bids in its sole and arbitrary discretion. The Pool does not guarantee any minimum bid price for producer's wool. The undersigned producer authorizes the Pool to sell the producer's wool for the bid or bids accepted by the Pool.
4. I guarantee that said wool is free and clear of all liens.
5. **Hair sheep cross wool will not be sold through the Pool!**
6. Four pounds of tare will be deducted for each standard wool bag, three pounds of tare for each wool bale and one pound of tare for each burlap grain bag.
7. The wool will remain under the jurisdiction of the Pool until sold. If the wool is not sold, written permission releasing the wool from the Pool will be given to the producer.
8. If any of the wool, [bagged or baled] delivered hereunder does not conform to the requirements of this agreement, the Pool may reject any part thereof containing any wool not so conforming in the sole and arbitrary discretion of the Pool.
9. If I sell my sheep before they are shorn, I will immediately apply for a release from the pool and I will urge the new owner to leave the wool in the Pool.
10. When the wool sells, the Pool is authorized to deduct an amount to cover the expenses of the Pool, determined by the Pool expenses and the total pounds of wool shipped.
11. I authorize the Pool to deduct \$50.00 for the minimum dues to the Oregon Sheep Growers Association from any producer's check that is \$500.00 or greater. If your check is \$500.00 or less and you wish to join the Oregon Sheep Growers Association, please **check here** _____ and we will deduct the \$50.00 dues.
12. In the event the buyer of the Douglas County Livestock Association Wool Pool does not pay the Douglas County Livestock Association for the Wool Pool wool, the producer does not hold the Douglas County Livestock Association liable for payment of the producer's wool.
13. Douglas County Livestock Association is acting as an agent for the undersigned producer.

Name [please print]: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Cell phone/daytime phone: _____ Email: _____

SEND CONTRACTS TO:

DOUGLAS COUNTY LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION

C/O HOWARD HENDERLONG

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