



Replacement nutrition requirement for first lactacion

Need/issue: Nutrition requirement for 1st lactation

Aim: To raise well-developed young lamb and to keep the number of days between the first and second lambing to a minimum.

How to implement:

- We do a condition scoring every three weeks, and pregnancy check by ultrasound.
- Single and twin bearing young ewes should be separated in different groups. Twin bearing ewes get extra concentrate/feed ratio.



Description:

- The feeding of the young lamb is largely determined by the breed or genotype, which is related to the expected adult body weight.
- The feed ratio and the day of breeding are determined based on body weight.
- In addition, the season is a very important factor (grazing, + ratio).



Expected benefits:

- Less problems at parturition
- replacements in good condition do not go into minus or negative condition after lambing

Prerequisites and/or limits:

- Grazing yards/paddocks
- ultrasound
- Sorting paddock
- Extra ration

Topic:

- Health
- Nutrition
- Management

Level of solution:

- Knowledge
- Practical

Country: Hungary

Dairy or/and meat sheep: Meat sheep

Category of Animal (ewe, replacement, lamb):
Replacement

Source of information:

N/A