

“Sheep Stuff”: Sunday May 13, 2018

Step 1: You have bought 5 new sheep and they have lice. You left them on the trailer overnight so that you can treat them and keep them isolated from the rest of the flock. Remove the 5 sheep from the trailer and take them to the pen beside the barn. 15 pts. -Trailer work and fetch/specific task

*Advanced handlers cannot enter the trailer but Open handlers can to assist their dog. The trailer compartment is approximately 8 ft by 7ft.

Step 2: Place the 5 sheep in the pen. 10pts-Pen work

Step3: Before going any further, you treat the five sheep for lice by having your dog settle them in the pen and then you will spray each sheep once. 5pts- spray/specific task

Step 4: Leave those 5 sheep in that pen and go around the barn to the aisle to get on with the rest of your day since the vet is coming and you want to be ready for her. Remove 5 sheep from the designated pen and move them into the alley pen, closing the barn door behind you. 5 pts.-pen work

Step 5: There are 3 collars in a bucket at the end of the alley pen, put them on the three sheep that you think need to be ultrasounded for pregnancy when the vet gets there. Once collared, turn the 5 sheep into the paddock and go close the exit of the chute. 5pts-specific task

Step 6: Gate sort the three collared sheep into the pen at the entrance of the chute, leaving the two without collars in the paddock. 25pts-Gate sort

Step7: When you look at the two remaining sheep, you realize that they too may be pregnant, so you bring them into the pen as well and then move all 5 sheep into the chute. 20pts-Chute work

*Advanced handlers cannot be in the pen to load the chute. Open handlers can be in the pen to assist their dogs in loading the chute. TIE BREAKER

Step 8: The vet comes and ultrasounds all 5 sheep to discover that the two non-collared ewes are pregnant and only one of the other three is pregnant. Unfortunately you accidentally released the sheep into the exit pen before changing their collars. So you need to collar those two ewes by taking collars off of two of the others while they are in the exit pen. 5pts-specific task

Step 9: You decide that you do not want to deal with summer lambs, so rather than sorting the sheep again, you decide to send all 5 to a friend that enjoys summer lambings. Before hauling them though, the sheep need to be fed and watered. Take the sheep out of the exit pen, pick up the buckets of grain and water and go to the feeding pen. 5pts-pen work

Step 10: Load the sheep into the feeding pen, dump the grain into the pan, leave the water bucket in the pen and close the gate. A friend will plan to open the gate soon. 5 pts-pen work

Step 11: While the sheep are eating, you and your dog go to the trailer, being sure to leave the paddock gates open. When ready, signal to your friend to open the pen up and then you send your dog back to gather the sheep while your friend waits near the pen. 20pts-Blind Gather

*Advanced handler teams must both be at the back of the trailer when the dog is sent. Open handlers can leave their dog at the trailer and position themselves anywhere between the trailer and cone when sending their dog.

Step 12: When the sheep arrive at the trailer, you need to take the three collars off and put them in the bucket. 5 pts- specific task

Step 13: All 5 sheep should be loaded into the trailer and the door is closed before time stops. 5pts-specific task

Time Allowances:

Advanced Teams will have 13 minutes on the course with a 3 minute warning.

Open Teams will have 16 minutes on the course with a 3 minute warning

Sheep groups will be consistent all day

There will be a crate of fowl on the course as a distraction for all runs.

Tie breaker #1: Step 7 Chute work Tie Breaker #2: Step 1 Trailer work and fetch