

Performance Recording Services

A performance recording service to identify commercially important traits



What do I get from performance recording?

- Two breeding reports providing EBVs for your entire flock
- Pre-printed sale cards at the English and Scottish Society sales
- EBVs published in Society catalogues and on BASCO
- Entry to Signet recorded ram lamb classes
- Inclusion in regional directories of recorded flocks.

What does it cost?

Data analysis is £120 per flock plus £3 per ewe (+ VAT)
 Ultrasound scanning starts at £175/visit + VAT (first 100 lambs)
 For flocks outside England, Scotland and Wales there is an additional data analysis fee of £85 per flock.

It is easy to get started

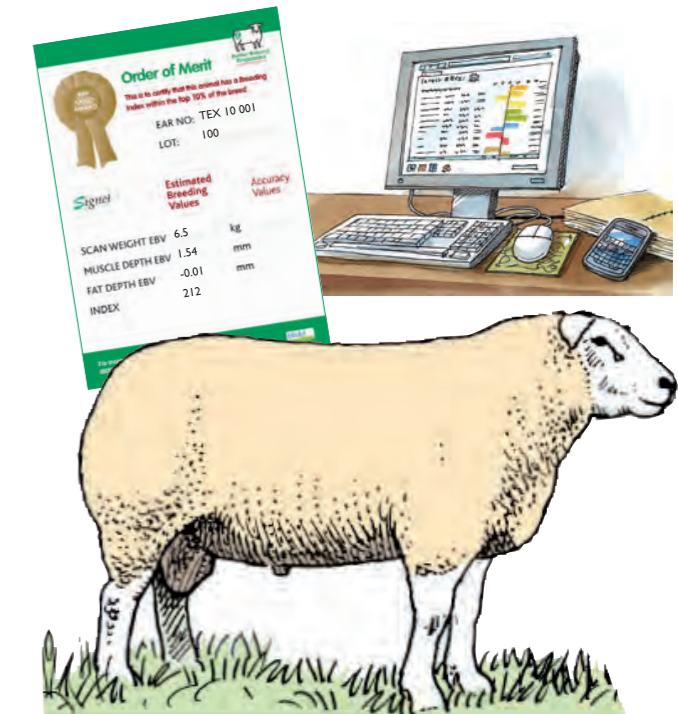
- Contact Signet for a contract
- Send 8-week weights to Signet
- As lambs approach 21 weeks of age contact a technician to measure muscle and fat depth using ultrasound
- Use of CT scanning is an additional optional breeding tool that many recorded flocks are making more use of. For further information contact SAC Tel: 0131 535 3250.



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Information that adds value and supports Texel breed improvement



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Why performance record?

- Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs) enable ram buyers to identify rams with superior breeding potential
- Recording adds value to the flock – identifying lambs with superior genetic potential.

Improve your marketing

- At sales – where there is increasing commercial demand for EBVs
- From home – where EBVs can support the breeding claims of homebred rams
- Online – where rams and semen sales can be promoted using EBVs.



Index	English National Sale			Scottish National Sale		
	Sold	Clearance	Average price	Sold	Clearance	Average price
Top 1%	14	100%	£1,451	22	73%	£3,817
Top 5%	26	84%	£1,011	51	76%	£2,341
Top 10%	20	87%	£934	18	51%	£2,378
Top 25%	14	70%	£601	18	51%	£1,368
Above average	7	88%	£420	7	47%	£600
Below average	4	31%	£612	1	11%	£315

Reaping the rewards of Performance Recording

2011 was a sensational year for performance recorded Texel sheep

- Scottish National Champion = Top 1% Index
- English National Champion = Top 5% Index
- Welsh National Champion = Top 5% Index
- Top Price at Kelso = Top 1% Index
- Sire of the Year 2010 = Top 1% Index
- Sire of the Year 2011 = Top 1% Index

The number of flocks involved in performance recording increased by 27%.

With over 10,000 lambs ultrasound scanned in 2011.

“The Texel is a modern breed with a progressive society, assisting its membership to develop a breed that continues to evolve and meet the requirements of a modern and reforming industry” John Yates, Texel Society Chief Executive.

Photos supplied by Texel Society

For more information on adding value to your Texel sheep please fill in your details below:

Breeder name: _____

Flock name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Please tick to receive an information booklet

Please tick to receive a contract to start recording

Number of ewes

