GEORGIA CLUB LAMB ASSOCIATION

2024 RULES OF MEMBERSHIP

These rules of membership are written to further support the GCLA By-Laws and will be reviewed annually by the Board of Directors.

MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA

- 1. All members must reside in the state of Georgia and be actively involved in sheep production.
- 2. Membership fees are as follows:
 - a. Breeder Membership = \$75.00
 - b. Family Membership = \$75.00
- 3. Membership dues must be received no later than February 29, 2024. The fiscal year is from January 1 to December 31. If dues are not paid by March 1st a late fee of \$35.00 will be charged to the member.
- 4. The board, including the executive board, must consist of at least 50% breeder members.
- 5. Only one vote per membership will be allowed.
- 6. Members agree to abide by all decisions of the GCLA Board of Directors, officers, and its general membership. As well as all regulations as set forth in the GCLA By-Laws and rules of membership.

FLOCK CRITERIA

- 7. Ewes must be owned prior to conception by the GCLA member. The ram may be owned, leased or co-owned.
- 8. GCLA lambs may be sired outside of the state boundaries, but all lambing must occur in Georgia.
- 9. Members flock must be physically present in the state of Georgia.
- 10. Any outstanding fees must be paid prior to lambs being registered.
- 11. All breeder members will register lambs that were tagged for the points program in Georgia with the Secretary no later than June 15th each year using the "Breeder Scrapie Tag Form". A fee of \$10 will be due for each tag registered.
 - a. Registration can be made after July 1 up until the Futurity show in July with an additional \$20 fee per tag.

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- 12. I understand that if my junior wants to participate in the points program that I have to nominate each lamb and I may have to pay a fee at least two weeks prior to a show in order for that GA lamb to count towards the points program. The first lamb is included with your membership each lamb after will have a \$15 fee.
- 13. Any grievances against members or the association will be made in writing and submitted to the President or Secretary of GCLA with a grievance fee of \$50, as set by the board of directors. The board will meet within five business days to discuss said grievance. If the board does not vote in your favor, the association will keep the grievance fee.
- 14. A copy of these rules will be available to all members.
- 15. Application with a paid membership affirms that you accept these rules and understand that you will be held to them.
- 16. All decisions that are made by the GCLA board concerning events, shows, and sales that are governed by the GCLA will be final.
- 17. The association has a web page that may or may not contain your membership and contact information, and / or pictures of you or your sheep.

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18. Current paid members or breeder's information will be posted on the Facebook page and the Webpage.