



Sheep Quality Assurance Program Update

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SSQA → SQA

- Changing the name from Sheep Safety Quality Assurance Program (SSQA) to Sheep Quality Assurance Program (SQA).

Why?

- Synchronize programs throughout the agriculture industry to more align with the beef and pork industry standards on a quality program.
- To make the manual more user friendly, easy to read, and applicable to all segments of the industry.





New Revisions

- HACCP principles
- Behavior and Handling
- Incorporating more of Wool Quality
- Sustainability/Environment (stocking rate, soil water management)
- Worker Safety
- Emergency Action Plan

Why is SQA Important?

- It was developed to improve lamb quality, safety and consumer confidence
- Consumers now more than ever want to feel confident about animal welfare practices, sustainability, and safety of the food products they consume
- The importance of revising the manual is to provide a platform for all experience levels of producers and industry members to utilize

Questions?



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