



Noble provides sheep and goats with defined health status. Sheep models include Dorset and Dorset-cross. We supply Nubian and Nubian-cross goat models. Additional breeds are available upon request.

### **Veterinary Care**

Herds are observed and maintained daily by onsite licensed veterinarians with emergency and back-up veterinary care including weekends and holidays.

#### **General Herd Maintenance**

- Sick, diseased, injured or lame animals are examined and either treated, culled or euthanized
- Analgesics, anesthetics and sedatives used as needed
- Euthanasia performed in accordance with the current AVMA recommendations; performed by a licensed veterinarian
- Quarantine of any animals new to the herd
- Sick animals segregated from the herd
- Each animal tested for Q Fever (ELISA) prior to release from quarantine
- Routine body score monitoring
- Castration, docking and surgical procedures completed according to Standard of Veterinary Care
- Regular hoof trimming and shearing

#### **Vaccinations**

- Sheep are vaccinated for ORF, Clostridium perfringens Types C and D, and tetanus; other vaccines available on request

#### **Parasite Control**

- Pasture rotation
- Famacha body score based deworming
- Fecal egg counts as needed
- Regular coccidia and ectoparasite monitoring; treatment as needed

### **Housing and Husbandry**

#### **Housing**

- Open barn housing with separate pens for management of small groups
- Isolation housing for new animals brought in for special projects
- Small pens available for lambs
- Larger pens for lactating ewes/lambs

#### **Nutrition**

- Hay plus grain as needed to maintain body score of 3 to 4 (on a scale of 1-5)
- Free choice mineral formulated for sheep; free choice salt block and clean water; pasture year round
- Animals with a low body score examined by a veterinarian; fed for individual needs

#### **Pest Control**

- Feed stored in covered metal containers
- Weed and manure management
- Fly and rodent control programs

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### **Delivery**

- Sheep and goats quarantined for at least 30 days prior to delivery to ensure health
- Health assessments performed prior to delivery
- Transportation provided by DOT registered hauler; CVI/interstate health certificates provided