






Hair Shed Chart

Hair shed is an Indicator for heat tolerance and endophyte toxicosis (environmental adaptability). In other words, how are the genetics of an animal reacting to the land, plants, water and climate.

Guidelines: Yearlings or older animals should only be evaluated.

Timeframe: April to June – Earlier hair shed is better. Animals are less stressed and use energy for growth and production.

Hair shed is from the front (head) to back of an animal and from top to bottom (belly).

1		Slick, short summer coat 100% shed
2		Coat is mostly shed ~75% shed
3		Coat is halfway shed ~50% shed
4		Exhibits initial shedding ~25% shed
5		Full winter coat 0% shed