

American Miniature Cheviot Sheep Breeders Association
To promote and protect an authentic breed of miniature sheep

Registry Rules
 (updated 12/8/2012)

1. Association: *Association* refers to the American Miniature Cheviot Sheep Breeders Association.
2. Sheep must be registered with the Association to receive a letter designation.
3. Foundation sheep (F1): As of January 1, 2007, F1 foundation sheep are no longer accepted by the registry.
4. Direct descendants of sheep registered with the Association shall be entitled to registration, provided both parents were registered at the time of the descendants' birth.
5. Letter designations are based on the following table. Bold letters represent the "true" designation of the parents (see footnote below).

	F1	A	B	C	D	E
F1	A	A	A	A	A	A
A	A	B	B	B	B	B
B	A	B	C	C	C	C
C	A	B	C	D	D	D
D	A	B	C	D	E	E
E	A	B	C	D	E	F

*Note: As of January 1, 2004 the original registration records were revised to indicate the "true" letter designation of each registered sheep. Before 2004, letter designations were assigned by birth year. Now letter designations are assigned to represent each generation removed from the foundation (F1) sheep. This "true" designation now appears in the permanent record of each sheep, dating back to the registry's inception. Prior to 2004 the "true" designation may not match the assigned letter as reflected in the registration number. Subsequent generations of offspring are now granted designations based on the "true" designation of their ancestors based on the above table.

6. If subsequently proven that any animal has been admitted improperly, the facts of the case shall be recorded; the animal disbarred and no progeny tracing to such animal shall be thereafter admitted.
7. **All sheep for which application is made must be labeled with an ear tag or tattoo.**
8. Blank application forms will be provided free of charge via our affiliate website: www.minicheviot.com , or by writing to the Registrar
9. No membership dues are required, effective 8/4/2012
10. Registration fees are \$7.00 each for lambs registered during their birth year. Applications must be postmarked before December 31st of each calendar year to qualify for the \$7.00 fee. For applications post-marked after the deadline, an additional \$3.00 fee will be assessed, for a total of \$10.00 for each application.

11. Lambs **must be registered by their original owner**, and cannot be registered by subsequent owners. It is the sellers' responsibility to provide registration certificates to buyers at the time of sale.
12. In the case of a ewe bred to a ram not owned by the owner of the ewe, a *breeder's memo* (letter from breeder) signed by the owner of the ram must accompany application for registry.
13. Transfer fees are \$5.00. Transfers of ownership are to be completed and mailed to the registrar by the seller, or buyer, along with the appropriate fees. It is the sellers' responsibility to assist their buyers in filling out transfer paperwork.
14. Transfer of ownership shall not be considered recorded unless it shows the signature of the Registrar of this Association.
15. As of Jan 1, 2013 a pedigree extended to four generations (when available), will be included on the back of the registration certificate. Additional pedigrees may be purchased for \$3.00 each. No information pertaining to pedigrees or transfers of any sheep will be given to any person or agency, other than to an owner of one or more sheep involved in such pedigree or transfer, except by written consent of the current owner, or when required to do so by a court order.
16. If a registration certificate is lost, the registrar can issue a replacement certificate to the most recent registered owner. The replacement fee is \$5.00.
17. Photographs submitted to the administration for any reason, including but not limited to pedigrees and photo contests, become property of the AMCSBA and may be included in its promotional materials.