

LAMBS and GOATS - Most Obvious Pet

You should try to get your lamb/goat when it is a few days old and start looking after it from then on. Whenever possible, allow your child to feed it, as it will only become really friendly to the child if the child is feeding it. To train it to call, stand with a bottle of milk and call your lamb from a distance by name. When it comes, give it a gentle pat and feed it. At all times be careful not to tease or frighten your lamb/goat, as it will only be trusting and affectionate if you are kind to it. Try and make some time each day for your child to play with your lamb/goat, so they both get to know each other well. By Livestock Day the lamb/goat should be so friendly it will follow your child everywhere, coming when called, whether they have a bottle in their hand or not.

Before Livestock Day you may want to practice these 3 main stages:

Stage 1: Get someone to hold your lamb/goat, stand 5m away from it and call it.

Stage 2: Walk along with your lamb/goat following behind. Be careful not to walk too fast for it.

Stage 3: Run along with your lamb/goat running behind. After running 5m stop and catch your lamb/goat. Practice catching it quietly. Remember the judge will be watching as it helps him to know whether your lamb/goat is friendly or just hungry.

RINK SIZE: 12mx12m

