

LAMBS—Leading

The child should become familiar with what is expected in the ring. This event is to assess the coordination and cooperation of the child and lamb. The lamb is led anti-clockwise around a square. The child leads the lamb around the outside of the pegs, stopping halfway to count to three. The child should lead with the lamb in the child's right.

General Guidelines:

- Walk at the speed your lamb usually walks.
- Keep to a straight line
- The lambs front legs should be in line with the child's legs.
- The lead should not be too tight or too loose. You should be able to steer the lamb by moving the hand to one side or another.
- The right hand should grip the rope, palm upwards.
- The left hand should grip the rope, knuckles upwards, leaving a loop of slack rope between the lands.
- There should remain 30 to 45cm of tail end rope hanging free from the left hand. No loops or trailing ends.
- All control should be exercised by the right hand on the lead.
- Always stand upright and be proud of yourself and the lamb.

The following actions will be penalised:

- Releasing the right hand grip on the rope at any time.
- Touching the lamb with the hand during the competition
- Hitting the lamb with anything
- Jerking the collar
- Stopping except required by the judge

