

## Lambing Part 6 – Fostering, Castration and Docking

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Please circle one answer only e.g.  A

- 1. The long-term acceptance rate (to weaning) of all foster lambs is likely to be:**
  - A. 100 per cent
  - B. around 90 per cent
  - C. around 80 per cent
  - D. less than 60 per cent.
- 2. Artificially reared lambs should have access to palatable and nutritious solid food:**
  - A. from birth
  - B. from two week-old
  - C. from four week-old
  - D. from eight week-old
- 3. Artificially reared lambs should have access to clean water:**
  - A. from birth
  - B. from two week-old
  - C. from four week-old
  - D. from weaning onto solid food
- 4. The tail length of ewes appears shortest:**
  - A. at mating time
  - B. immediately before lambing
  - C. during lactation
  - D. at weaning
- 5. Which of the following statements about tail docking is correct?**
  - A. Tail docking may be carried out only if failure to do so would lead to subsequent welfare problems because of dirty tails and potential fly strike
  - B. Tail docking is compulsory to prevent blowfly strike.
  - C. Tail docking is necessary to produce cleaner carcasses.
  - D. Sheep look cleaner and healthier with docked tails.
- 6. Under the Protection of Animals (Anaesthetics) Act 1954, as amended, it is an offence to castrate lambs which have reached what age without the use of an anaesthetic:**
  - A. one month
  - B. two months
  - C. three months
  - D. six months

**7. Under the Protection of Animals (Anaesthetics) Act 1954, as amended, it is an offence to castrate lambs using a rubber ring without an anaesthetic unless the device is applied during:**

- A. the first day of life
- B. the first week of life.
- C. the first month of life
- D. the first three months of life

**8. Docking of female sheep is permitted provided:**

- A. the tail is as short as possible
- B. sufficient tail is retained to cover the anus
- C. sufficient tail is retained to cover the vulva
- D. any tail length is permitted provided elastrator rings are applied within the first week of life

**9. Tail docking and castration with rubber elastrator rings:**

- A. causes minimal pain
- B. causes some pain
- C. causes considerable acute pain
- D. causes considerable acute and chronic pain

**10. Which of the following statements is true about tail docking and blowfly strike?**

- A. Blowfly strike can be prevented by controlling faecal contamination of the perineum, dagging where necessary, and use of insect growth regulators such as dicyclanil.
- B. tail docking significantly reduces the incidence of blowfly strike
- C. tail docking is deemed a necessary procedure by the general public
- D. tail docking is necessary because farmers are prevented from dipping sheep because of environmental restrictions relating to disposal of spent dip.

