

ASRA Parentage Program

Definitions

- Rams: Intact registered males that have not sired any lambs. They are eligible to be shown as spring lambs, fall lambs, or yearling rams.
- Sires: Registered rams indicated on Shropshire pedigrees that have sired, or will sire, both male (rams) and female (ewes) lambs.
- Flock 54: The agency used to submit and establish DNA and BDI numbers for sires. It is the breeder's and/or owner's responsibility to submit this information to the Breed Secretary. Flock 54 offers an economical single-fee test covering scrapie, spider, dwarf, and DNA.
- American Shropshire Registry Association = ASRA.

Implementation Timeline

Period	Requirements / Guidance
Beginning in 2027	• It is recommended that all rams siring lambs in 2027 and beyond have their DNA submitted to Flock 54 to establish a BDI number. • Once submitted to the Breed Secretary, a BDI number will be added to the registration papers along with the VI (Verified Individual) designation, e.g., RR NN FF VI. • The standard renaming fee will apply to process and issue new registration papers. • The Breed Secretary will maintain a public directory of all sires and their BDI numbers on the Shropshire website.
Beginning in 2030	• All lambs, falls, and yearlings shown or presented in ASRA-sponsored events or events supported with ASRA funds, including but not limited to the All American, National Junior Show, National Open Show, and futurity contest, must be sired by a registered sire with a BDI number and VI designation on file and on their registration papers. • All classes at the All American, National Junior Show, National Open Show, and other ASRA-sponsored events or supported events with ASRA funds, will be subject to multiple random audits, as will all Champions and Futurity winners. • Lambs registered in 2030 or later that are not sired by a VI sire, or whose owners choose not to participate in the parentage program or ASRA events, will be issued grey papers, will not require a BDI number or VI designation, and will be eligible to show only at local, non-ASRA-sponsored events. • Any discrepancies regarding Verified Sires (VI) found during random audits at the All American, National Junior Show, National Open Show, and other ASRA-sponsored events or supported events with ASRA funds will result in a one-year ban for the breeder from participating in ASRA sponsored or supported events. In this ban period breeder or breeders' animals cannot participate in ASRA sponsored/ supported events. If the animal happens to be a sire, according to bylaws he is no longer as well as all progeny eligible for registration. If it's a female she or her progeny are no longer eligible for registration. 2nd offense will result in a 2-year ban, 3rd offense breeder or breeders' animals will no longer be eligible to participate in the program. Breeders can submit a written appeal to the DNA committee for review. • The National Board responsibility is to budget and fund the program. Provide board involvement and support at events for collecting samples. • Request to include additional events can be submitted by members, state/regional associations, or Board Members. Requests must be presented by January 15th each year prior to the first

board meeting. This is to ensure that if approved, proper notification and publication is managed in a timely manner.

Flock 54 / Audit Support Update

- Flock 54 is willing to provide 40 tests per year at no charge for board audits beginning in 2030.
- Flock 54 is changing labs in January 2027 and expects more test data in 2027.
- The current cost is \$16.00 per test for Shropshire members, and that fee may reduce in 2027.
- All tests in 2027 will need to be completed with an Allflex TSU sample.