

## Certified Columbia Ram

A ram must meet all of the following criteria while part of a CSBA-approved ram test to achieve Certified Columbia Ram status:

1. **Carcass–Ribeye/Loineye Area must meet or exceed 1.3 square inches per 100 pounds of body weight.**
2. **Average Daily Gain–Average Gain/Day on test must meet or exceed 0.80 pounds per day.**
3. **Wool:**
  - Fleece fiber diameter must be within the range of 22.05-27.84 microns.
  - 365 Day Estimated Staple Length must meet or exceed 4.3 inches for fleeces of fiber diameter 22.05-24.94.
  - 365 Day Estimated Staple Length must meet or exceed 4.8 inches for fleeces of fiber diameter 24.95-27.84 microns.
  - Face Wool Score must be 3 or less.\*
  - Belly Wool Score must be 1.\*
4. **Genetics for Scrapies Resistance–DNA at Codon 171 must be QR or RR.**
5. **Registration–Rams must be registered with Columbia Sheep Breeders Association of America no later than sixty days after their initial weigh-in date at an approved ram test.**

\* Based on score cards on pages 2-3