

Photographic Sequence of Winter Lambing Part 2

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Fresh water for the ewe is very important!



Tube with colostrum or powdered colostrum; 60cc – 120 cc if the newborn lamb does not suck on its own or is weak







Hold lamb between your legs head up or nose level with eyes. Do not push head up and back.

You can mark off length of tube from front of mouth to last rib – this is how far it should end up going in.

Let the colostrum or milk flow slowly,
i.e. by gravity





Weigh the lambs



Write down information while it is fresh





Stanchion ewes who appear to be rejecting their lambs or are having lambs that are not their own fostered (grafted) onto them. This way lambs can nurse without ewe having to view them and she will gradually accept them.




Try to provide bright, sunlit, well bedded jugs



Artificially
reared lambs
drinking from
lamb bar



Introduction
to creep feed

A black and white lamb is shown in a wooden stall. A heat lamp, consisting of a metal dome suspended by wires, is positioned above the lamb's head. The lamp is turned on, and a bright red glow is visible on the lamb's forehead and the top of its head. In the background, another lamb is partially visible behind a green bucket. A large block of brown material, possibly hay or a feed supplement, is placed on top of the green bucket. The stall is constructed of dark wood, and the background wall is made of corrugated metal.

Provide heat lamps to keep artificially reared lambs warm if needed, following proper safety requirements – heat lamps burn down barns every year.

Watch for and treat entropic eyes



Pull eye lids apart; use ophthalmic ointment or



Inject very carefully penicillin under the bottom lid subQ-





Ear Tagging - Watch placement









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Tail Docking –
Watch position,
Avoid docking too
short!





Try to minimize movement



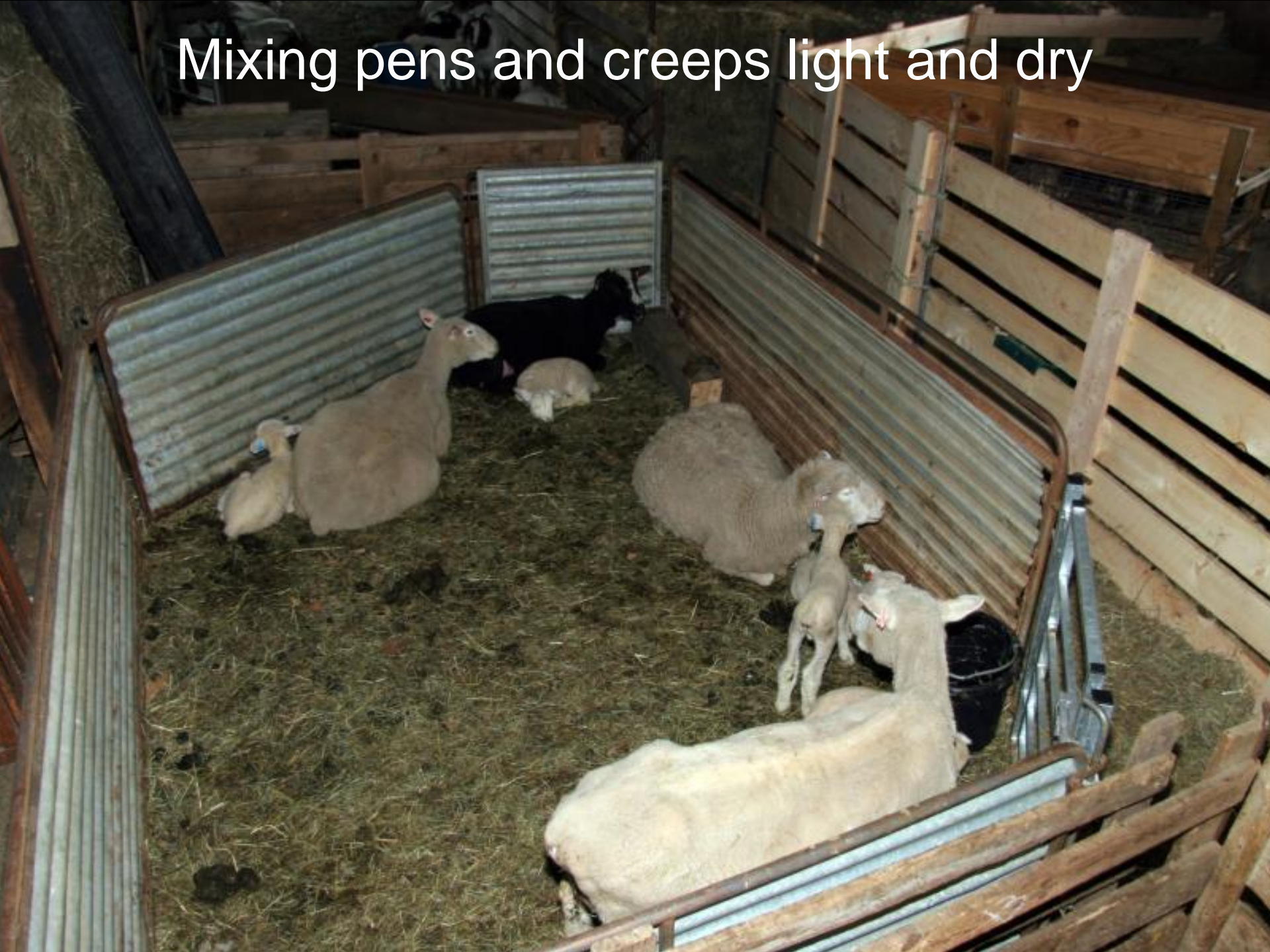


Shake Blood
Stopper on the
wound

Check Udders – soft, pliable, not exceedingly hot or ice cold



Mixing pens and creeps light and dry







To check lamb health daily, wake lambs and watch that they stretch and urinate. Most will then seek their dams to nurse.



Healthy Lambs



And Ewes

