

Commercial Ram Class

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Placing 2-1-3-4 Cuts 2-5-2

My placing for this class of Commercial Rams is 2-1-3-4. This class easily broke down into two pairs. A top pair of rams with more substance and balance, and then a bottom pair of pounds lighter rams.

In the initial pair it is power and substance that give the nod to two over 1 in this pair of more powerful rams. The lighter fleeced ram is the most massive ram of the class. He has more shape and depth to his rib and is deeper in his flank. He also appears to be the longer bodied pounds heavier ram that stands down on more bone while having more dimension to his rack and loin. In addition, he is leveler and squarer out his dock and appears to be more advanced in his testicular development.

I realize that one is an attractive profiling heavy muscled ram that most closely follows the top placing, but he is second because he is shallower in his rib and does not exhibit the mass of the ram in the first spot.

Moving to the intermediate pair once again it is substance and performance that places one over three. One appears to be a pounds heavier ram that is taller fronted. He also has more shape at the point of his shoulder and maintains that shape over his rack and loin while appearing longer from his last rib back. He also is a heavier honed ram that is heavier muscled throughout all portions of his leg.

I will admit that three is more advanced in his testicular development, but he easily falls into the bottom pair because he is the pounds lighter ram that does not exhibit nearly as much muscle or balance.

In the bottom pair of darker fibered rams it is three that gets the edge over four. He appears to be pounds heavier higher performing rams that shows more shape to his rib and is deeper in his flank. He also appears to have more thickness and depth to his loin and leg.

Yes four is cleaner about his neck, more attractive on the profile, and is also more correct in the angle to his rear leg. However, he easily falls into the bottom spot because he appears to be the slowest performing and is lightest muscled ram in the class.

Thank You,

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