

How to Register Individual Sheep with KSAR Karakul Shepherds Alliance Registry

1. Complete the *Farm & Flock Finder* form once, or provide info online at the Alliance website **Flock Finder** page (Genetic additions to Validated Bloodline flocks will need History updated with *gender, source, and year.*)
2. Option 1-Complete the *Application for Individual Sheep Registration* using the *Terms To Use* form.
Option 2-*Photos Only* Application. The Registrar will discern identifying sheep characteristics directly from multiple angle photographs, with follow-up questions. Prices listed at bottom and *Work Order-Fee Schedule*
3. Please submit 1 or 2 **identifying** photos for the Registration Certificate, side and rear views preferred.
We ask for photos of sheep with registered parents for the following reasons—1) identification on the certificate, 2) the historical record ex. prominent sires & dams, and 3) since KSAR is an Open Registry to watch for “throwbacks” because of Karakul’s history of crossbreeding in the first 40 years after the 1908 importation. We HIGHLY recommend photos at time of registration please. However, No-Photo Certificates can be reissued as a Duplicate Certificate (for \$3 fee) when photos are added later.
Consider a file share service like Dropbox, Flickr, Google Drive or Microsoft OneDrive to share large numbers of photos.
If photo(s) do not capture all angles please use form *Lamb Sketch for Registration* to draw markings (see Registry page)
4. If sire and dam are already registered with either KSAR (The Alliance), AKSR, or KSA skip to #7.
5. If there is no registration record for one or both parents, we need to establish ‘proof of breed character and fat tail’ with a **minimum of three photographs, preferably four.**

The extra information requested for registering a *new* sheep from unregistered parents is our attempt to establish and maintain the integrity of KSAR’s Registry population. There are both challenges and advantages to raising Karakuls in large flocks, while still making it possible for individuals to be a genetic contribution to the breed. For a discussion of this, please read our *Traditional Flocks* paper before filling out the *Application for Registration*; then include:

(Required photos in bold font)

- a. **A minimum of three photos, the first two:**
 - i. **one body side-view**
 - ii. **one rear-view (to show fat tail, preferably shorn, or short fleece)**
- b. And **EITHER one more** photo
 - i. one *front* head shot (to observe face and ear set)
 - ii. one *side* head shot (to view arch of nose)

Traditional Flock applications will be reviewed by Alliance Advisors. Please allow an extra 10 days processing time.

- c. The fourth (*necessary*) photo is to observe pelt quality, to prove Karakul Persian lamb pelt genetics. A lamb photo between birth and two weeks old; or photos of lamb progeny if the sheep is an adult and has lambs on the ground. If there are concerns about historical acquisition or breed character, this photo will be required.

6. Additional information Advisors might ask for—Photo(s) of the unregistered parent(s); photos of grandparents might be requested as well. Advisors may also ask for a fleece sample from *mid-side*.

Once we know your flock & have enough history on your flock’s origin these steps can be skipped.

RECOMMENDATION for large traditional-type flocks: Register ALL rams, then any sheep sold or exhibited, with preference that dams are registered before lambs. Registering oldest sheep first prevents pedigree mistakes.

7. Complete an Alliance Work Order and mail with \$5.00 per sheep with Application,
\$10.00 per sheep with *Photos Only* Application to:

Deborah Hunter, KSAR Registrar, PO Box 1200, Colville, WA 99114. Thank you!

Documents for registering Karakuls and our discussion of *Traditional Flocks* are available from the Alliance Registrar or visit Karakul Shepherds Alliance Registry tab on the website