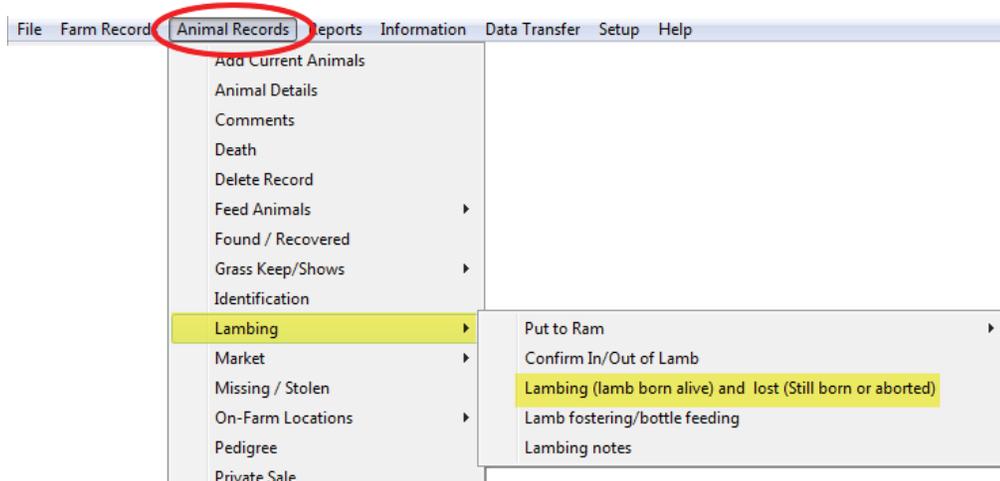


Lambing

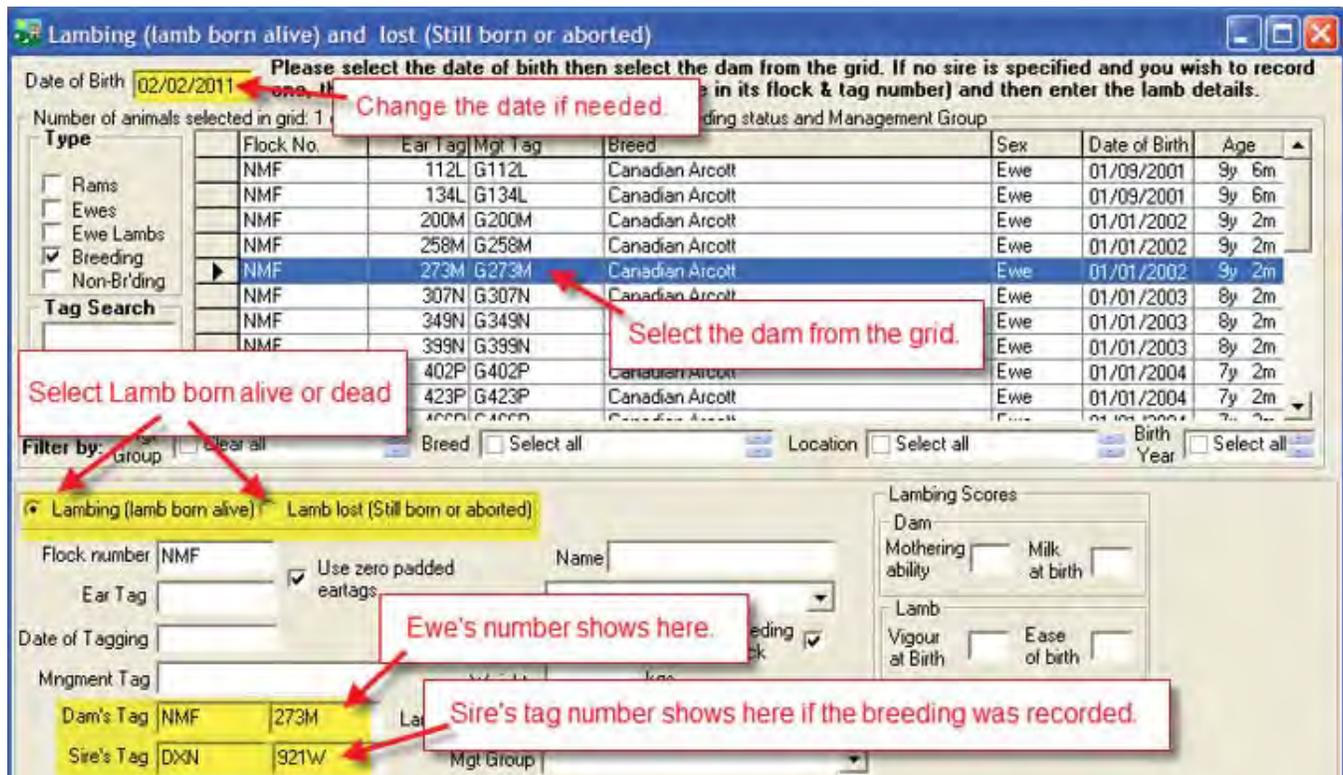


Recording Lambing on FarmWorks

Go to **Animal Records > Lambing > Lambing** (lamb born alive) and lost (Still born or aborted).



- » Select the date the ewe lambbed. Select the dam from the list.
- » If a breeding was recorded the sire's tag information will also be shown.
- » If the lamb is alive select **Lambing (lamb born alive)** or if the lamb died before tagging select **Lamb Lost (Still born or aborted)**. Dead lambs should be recorded too.





Lambing

1. If the lamb is alive enter the tag number you are giving it. Select a date of tagging.
2. Use the drop down menus to select the breed and sex of the lamb.
3. Enter the birth weight of the lamb if known. If not a default weight of 4 Kg is assigned. If you are using imperial pounds (lbs) instead of metric kilogram (Kg) then ignore the Kg symbol beside the weight field.
4. Optional: Select **Lambing Difficulty** from the drop down list or enter values into **Lambing Scores**. For a full explanation of the lambing trait scoring system see page 42.
5. Enter any comment that you wish to make on the lambing and click on **Add Comment**. This comment will then appear in the main details section for the dam.
6. If the lamb was stillborn/aborted or died before tagging, click the **Lamb lost (Still born or aborted)** button and enter details.
7. Click on **OK/Save** to save after entering each lamb. Click on **Cancel/Exit** to exit the screen.

Lambing (lamb born alive) and lost (Still born or aborted)

Date of Birth: 01/02/2011
Please select the date of birth then select the dam from the grid. If no sire is specified and you wish to record one, then select the sire from the grid (or type in its flock & tag number) and then enter the lamb details.

Number of animals selected in grid: 1 out of 25. The grid is currently filtered by Breeding status and Management Group.

Type	Flock No.	Ear Tag	Mgt Tag	Breed	Sex	Date of Birth	Age
<input type="checkbox"/> Rams	NMF	112L	G112L	Canadian Arcott	Ewe	01/09/2001	9y 6m
<input type="checkbox"/> Ewes	NMF	134L	G134L	Canadian Arcott	Ewe	01/09/2001	9y 6m
<input type="checkbox"/> Ewe Lambs	NMF	200M	G200M	Canadian Arcott	Ewe	01/01/2002	9y 2m
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Breeding	NMF	258M	G258M	Canadian Arcott	Ewe	01/01/2002	9y 2m
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Breeding	NMF	273M	G273M	Canadian Arcott	Ewe	01/01/2002	9y 2m
<input type="checkbox"/> By Mgt Tag	NMF	307N	G307N	Canadian Arcott	Ewe	01/01/2003	8y 2m
	NMF	349N	G349N	Canadian Arcott	Ewe	01/01/2003	8y 2m
	NMF	399N	G399N	Canadian Arcott	Ewe	01/01/2003	8y 2m
	NMF	402P	G402P	Canadian Arcott	Ewe	01/01/2003	8y 2m
	NMF	423P	G423P	Canadian Arcott	Ewe	01/01/2004	7y 2m

Filter by: Mgt Group Clear all Breed Select all

Lambing (lamb born alive) Lamb lost (Still born or aborted)

Flock number: NMF
Ear Tag: 103Y
Date of Tagging: 03/02/2011
Mngmen: [blank]
Dam's Tag: NMF 200M
Sire's Tag: DXN 921W
Breed: Canadian Arcott X
Sex: Ewe lamb
Weight: 12 kgs
Breeding stock:
Lambing difficulty: No Assis
Lambing Scores: Dam Mothering ability: 3, Milk at birth: 4; Lamb Vigour at Birth: 2, Ease of birth: 1

Comments about births for the Dam
Date of Comment: 03/02/2011
Comments: Hard half bag

Date: 03/02/2011
New Comment: [blank]
Add Comment

OK/Save Cancel/Exit

Annotations:
- "Lamb's tag number." points to Ear Tag field.
- "Date of tagging" points to Date of Tagging field.
- "Select breed and sex. If you know this lamb will be breeding stock then tick this box." points to Breed and Sex dropdowns and Breeding stock checkbox.
- "Enter lambing scores (optional)" points to Lambing Scores section.
- "Record a birth weight or the program uses 4 Kg as the default." points to Weight field.
- "Add a comment for the ewe." points to Comments section.

Lambing (lamb born alive) Lamb lost (Still born or aborted)

Flock number: [blank]
Ear Tag: [blank]
Date of Tagging: [blank]
Mngmen: [blank]
Dam's Tag: [blank]
Sire's Tag: [blank]
Breed: Canadian Arcott X
Sex: Ram
Weight: 5 kgs
Breeding stock:
Lambing difficulty: Some Assistance
Lambing Scores: Dam Mothering ability: 2, Milk at birth: 3; Lamb Vigour at Birth: 5, Ease of birth: 3

Death reason:
 Aborted
 Still born
 Died before tagging
Death Date: 23/03/2011

Add New Mgt Group

Annotations:
- "A dead lamb should be recorded." points to the "Lamb lost" radio button.
- "Put in lambing scores (optional)" points to the Lambing Scores section.
- "Select breed, sex and birth weight." points to Breed, Sex, and Weight fields.
- "Record death reason and date of death." points to the Death reason and Death Date fields.



Recording Lambing on the Psion stock recorder

1. Go to **Sheep Procedures > Lambing**
2. Today's date will show. Change the date if you need to.
3. The cursor blinks in the **Dam** field - scan the ewe's RFID tag. Her number will appear in that field.
4. The cursor will move to the **Sire** field. The ram's number will appear if the sire is known.
5. Select the **Traits** button if you want to score the ewe or her lambs.

The screenshot shows the 'Enter Lambing Details' screen with the following fields and callouts:

- Date:** 13/01/2013. Callout: "Change the date if needed."
- Dam:** NMF 200M. Callout: "Scan the ewe's RFID tag to get her number."
- Sire:** NMF 3111S. Callout: "If the sire was recorded at breeding then the ram's number will appear here."
- Added so far:** Dead 0 Live 0. Callout: "Turn trait scoring on or off."
- Buttons:** Esc, Traits (highlighted with a yellow box), Add Lamb.

6. If **No** is selected then you can return to the lambing screen and start adding lambs. To enable scoring the ewe and her lambs select **Yes**.

The screenshot shows the 'Lambing Traits' screen with the following fields and callouts:

- Default Birth Weight:** 12.0 Kg. Callout: "Set your default birth weight. Remember it can be either lbs or Kgs."
- Enable scoring?:** Yes, No (No is highlighted with a yellow box). Callout: "To turn off trait scoring select **No**."
- Buttons:** Esc, Save.



Lambing

- The ewe traits are mothering ability and the amount of milk she has at birth. Use a scale of your own choosing but an odd-number is the easiest. For example, one to five, with five being the best and one being the worst.
- The lamb traits are how vigorous the lamb was at birth (meaning how quickly it stood up and sucked) and how easy the birth was (meaning how much help was needed).
- Set a default score for each trait, then you can score each ewe and lamb compared to the default or "average" score.

Lambing Traits

Default Birth Weight Kg

Enable scoring?

Ewe defaults

Mothering Milk

Lamb defaults

Vigour Ease

Set your default birth weight. Remember it can be either lbs or Kgs.

Example - score the ewe and lambs from 1 to 5 for mothering ability, amount of milk, and vigour at birth, with 5 being the best and 1 being the worst.

Set the defaults to the 'average' so animals can be scored above or below "average".

Example - ease of birth could be from 1 to 4,
 1 = born unassisted
 2 = easy pull
 3 = hard pull
 4 = vet assisted

- Press **Save** to return to the lambing screen. Score the ewe for lambing traits then start entering lambs.
- Choose either **Live** or **Dead**. If the ewe has a lamb that died before tagging, select **Dead**. Choose a cause of death from the drop-down menu. Then **Save and Esc**, if there are no more dead lambs to add for that ewe. Or select **Save and Add** if there are more dead lambs for that ewe.

Enter second lamb details...

Lamb

Birth Weight Kg

Select **Dead** to record a lamb that died before it was tagged.

Select a cause of death and record a birth weight or leave the default.

Lambing



12. If **Live**, the cursor will blink in the **Tag** field. If the lamb has an RFID tag scan the tag - if the tag option on the Psion is set to EID (see page 24) then the last nine digits of the EID will become the lamb's tag number.

Enter first lamb details...

Lamb

Tag NMF 315772629

Sex

Breed

Birth Weight 11 Kg

Vigour 2 Ease of birth 1

Esc Save & Esc Save & Add

Numbering by EID Tag Option

Scan the lamb's RFID tag. The last nine digits of the EID number will become the lamb's tag number.

Select the sex and breed of the lamb.

Enter a birth weight or leave the default.

Enter lamb scores or leave the default.

Press **Save & Esc** if there are no more lambs, or **Save & Add** if there are more lambs to record for this ewe.

13. If the tag option is set to Type, lock the EID number to the lamb and type in the lamb's farm tag number.
14. Select a sex and breed of that lamb. Score the lamb traits. Enter a birth weight if known. If you are using imperial pounds (lbs) not metric kilograms then ignore the Kg symbol and put the weight in lbs.
15. Press **Save and Esc**, if there are no more lambs to add for that ewe. Or select **Save and Add** if there are more lambs for that ewe.

Enter fourth lamb details...

Lamb

Tag 12A

Sex

Breed

Birth Weight 12.0 Kg

Vigour 3 Ease of birth 1

Esc Save & Esc Save & Add

Numbering with the Type Tag Option

Type in the number you want to use as the tag number.

Select the lamb's breed and sex.

Enter birth weight and trait scores or leave the defaults.

Select Option

New EID read.
0124000315772018

If you are using your own farm tag as the tag number you must lock the EID number to this lamb.

Lock this EID to current lamb?

Yes No



Lambing Notes

Recording lambing - Lambing Notes

Use Lambing Notes to mark that a ewe has lambed but without adding the lambs into FarmWorks. Lambing Notes uses the Comments function to flag the ewe, the date, and the number of lambs born. When you are ready to tag the lambs you can see record the birth as usual.

1. From the menu bar select: **Animal Records > Lambing > Lambing Notes.**



2. Select a date and a ewe, or select multiple ewes that will have the same comment recorded on the same date.
3. Select a colour to mark the Importance (optional).
4. Add the number of lambs born per dam. This will be applied to each ewe selected.
5. Save and exit.

Enter the comment in the box below, record the number of lambs, the importance and whether to show on Stock Recorder or Mobile App.

Number of Lambs per Dam Lamb(s) born

Show comment on Stock Recorder or Mobile App when tag read

Importance
 High
 Medium
 Low
 None

Save details and stay in this screen Save details and exit this screen Delete selected note

Remove a Lambing Note from a ewe's record

1. From the menu bar select: **Animal Records > Lambing > Lambing Notes.**
2. Select a date. Select the ewe on the grid.
3. Highlight the ewe on the bottom grid. Click on Delete selected note.
4. Exit the screen.

Flock No	Ear Tag	Lambs
UK0100999	00249	3
UK0185650	00049	1
UK0185650	00853	2
UK0185650	00986	3
UK0185650	00988	3
UK0185650	06114	4

Edit the comment in the box below, record the number of lambs, the importance and whether to show on Stock Recorder or Mobile App.

Number of Lambs per Dam Lamb(s) born

Show comment on Stock Recorder or Mobile App when tag read

Importance
 High
 Medium
 Low
 None

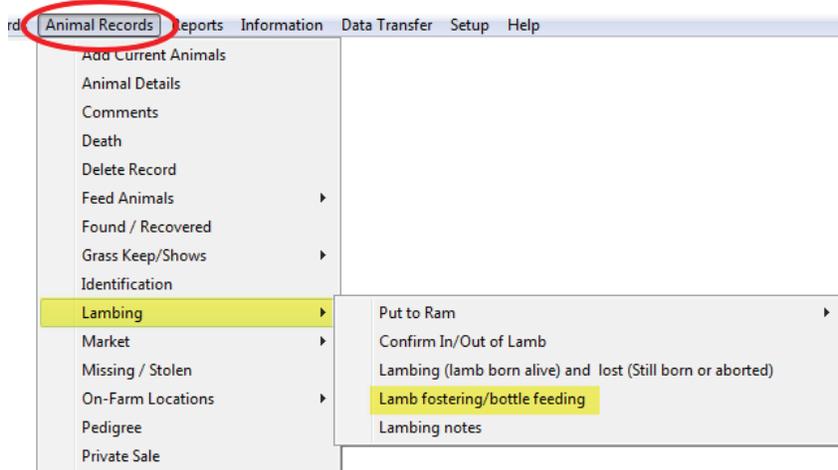
Save details and stay in this screen Save details and exit this screen Delete selected note

Fostering

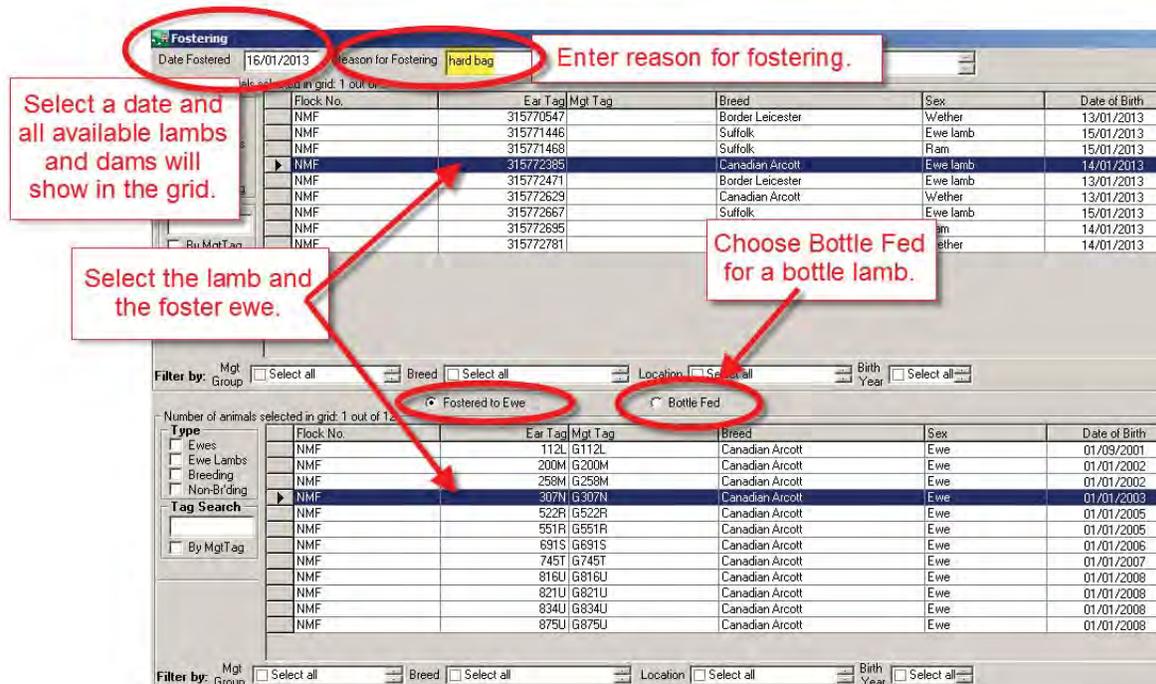


Fostering in FarmWorks

Animal Records > Lambing > Lamb Fostering/bottle feeding



1. Record the birth of the foster lamb as a normal lambing.
2. In the Fostering screen, change the date if needed. All the dams and lambs available for fostering that day will show on the grid.
3. Select the lamb.
4. Type in the reason the lamb can not be raised by its own mother.
5. Click on the option **Fostered to Ewe** or **Bottle Fed**
6. If fostering to another ewe select the foster dam from the bottom grid.
7. If fostering to a bottle then click on **Bottle fed**.
8. Save and exit.





Fostering

Fostering on the Psion stock recorder

1. Go the Fostering button on the Psion.
2. Change the date if needed.
3. Select either **Dam** or **Bottle**.
4. Tap the button with three small dots to the right of the **Reason** field. Select one of the reasons this lamb cannot be raised by its own dam.
5. If fostering to another ewe scan the foster dam's RFID tag.
6. Scan the foster lamb's RFID tag.
7. Save and exit.

