

Sheep shed at Hettinger Station, 24 ft. x 60 ft. with removable doors.

## Practical Sheep Housing for North Dakota Conditions

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Cold winters pose many problems for North Dakota sheep producers, one of the major considerations being adequate housing during lambing time and while the lambs are raised during the winter months. Recognizing the need for an economical type of housing of simple construction and suitable for cold weather, this building was designed and put into use at the Hettinger Branch Station.

A 24'x60' shed of this type will provide room for lambing 90 ewes with 10, 4'x5' lambing pens, or will house 110 ewes and their lambs if lambing is done in a separate shed. The easily removable doors facilitate cleaning with a Ferguson-type tractor, and allow the shed to be used for an open, airy shade in a feedlot during the summer months. (Note eight-foot clearance at front. Use plan N.D. 724-1-1 for a higher building of this same style.)

Sheds are easily adapted to individual needs as they can be built in various sizes. Three sizes: 24'x60', 16'x32', and 16'x24', are in use at the Hettinger Station. The sheds are versatile and can be used for other practices than lambing during the winter months.

It is recommended that the shed be located with some shelter from the elements especially if it is to be used as a lambing facility.

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