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Idea Plan Sheep Housing, Fencing, Feeders, and Equipment

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This Idea Plan is intended to provide educational information and ideas concerning housing; fence and creep panels; hay, grain, and mineral feeders; and a tilting squeeze for use with sheep. The following attached drawings are based on historical plans and may not meet design and construction standards for your area: Pen Panel and Portable Fence for Sheep (PSU 86)

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	Fencing and Creep Panels for Sheep (PSU 60)
	Hay & Grain Feeder for 12 Sheep or Goats (PSU 80)
	Hay Feed Rack for Sheep (PSU 82)
	Mineral Feeder for Sheep (USDA 5916)
	Creep and Grain Trough for Lambs (PSU 87)
	Tilting Squeeze for Sheep (USDA 6006)
	Sheep and Lambing Shed (USDA 5919)
	Portable Shelter (PSU 01)

If you decide to build a facility similar to any of these plans, be sure to check building requirements for your area. Your local building inspector, engineer, building supplier, or building contractor can help you determine what is a safe and legal facility for housing sheep in your area. In addition to the rules and regulations covering design and construction of buildings, be sure to consider how you will handle the manure and potential nuisance problems for neighbors, including flies, odor, and noise.

The Department of Agricultural and Biological Engineering at Penn State has a variety of educational material available related to agricultural and biological engineering. This material is intended to help Pennsylvania farmers and others develop buildings and facilities for modern, environmentally-compatible farm facilities. The material can be used in conjunction with county extension staff, builders, suppliers, consulting engineers, the Natural Resources Conservation Service, financial management advisors, farm lenders, veterinarians, and others to assemble a facilities plan suitable for local conditions.

Publications are available in the areas of agricultural safety and health, animal housing systems, building and farmstead planning, crops and greenhouses, machinery systems and tractors, residential housing, soil and water resources, and solid waste management. Contact your county Penn State Extension Office for more information on these subjects. You can also obtain an index of publications concerning the above areas by calling, writing, faxing or e-mailing:

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For more complete information, the following comprehensive handbook covering the many aspects of sheep housing and equipment is available:

MWPS-03—Sheep Housing and Equipment Handbook (1994). \$10.00 (Contact office below for current pricing).

Order from your local county Penn State Cooperative Extension Office or the Publications Distribution Center, The Pennsylvania State University, 112 Agricultural Administration Building, University Park, PA 16802-2602 (Telephone: 814-865-6713 or Fax: 814-863-5560).

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