### INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUFFOLK MEMBERS

The new DigitalSuffolk online registry system is now online for United Suffolk Sheep Association and United Junior Suffolk Sheep Association members. DigitalSuffolk includes registrations, transfers, flock inventories and online bill payment. Performance data recording and NSIP data submission will be available soon. There are many benefits for members to use DigitalSuffolk included, recording ram leases, semen inventory and sales and lambing dates. The USSA plans to make this transition as smooth as possible but realize that there will be some complications as we go live with member -use,



please kindly bear with us. We ask members to share any feedback or complications that occur during member use. Tutorials and more outreach on how to use the system will become available in the future.

The same software is being used in many of the cattle associations such as Limousin, Shorthorn, Chianina and Gelbvieh just to name a few. Suffolks are the first sheep breed to adopt this new registry system. We are excited to provide this program and its endless possibilities to advance the Suffolk breed.

#### **LOGIN**

Go to www.digitalsuffolk.org website. You can also easily access this by clicking "Digital Suffolk" at the top right-hand corner of the USSA website. Enter the login and password provided by the USSA Office. Once logged in, members can update their password. On this page you can also search for specific animals, breeders, link to the virtual marketplace, breeder map, event calendar and sheep related links. Other features of the home page:

- 1) Search Features You can search for members and animals on this screen.
- 2) Marketplace Members can flag sheep that have for sale, shown in the Marketplace.
- 3) Breeder Map Find a Suffolk breeder near you.
- 4) Industry Links Many sheep industry links are listed.



### VIEW/ZOOM

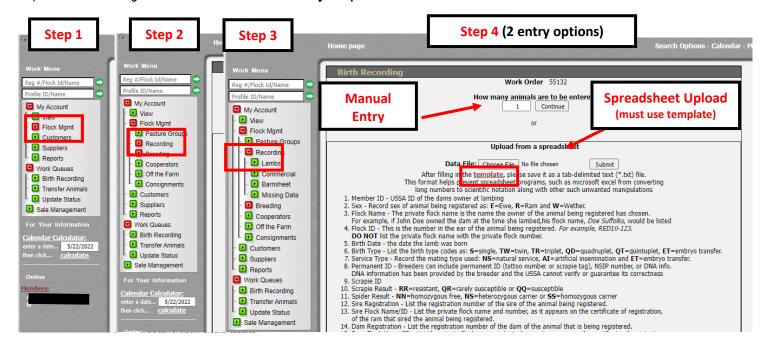
Depending on the browser, screen size and device you are using, members may want to increase their browser zoom settings. In most browsers, zoom or view size can be found under:

- File
- Main menu
- " (might located to the right-hand side of your browser, just to the right of your browser's address bar

Increase the setting to your preferred text/view size. In most cases, increasing the zoom to 110% or 120% is sufficient.

### REGISTERING LAMBS

After you have logged in to your account, a work menu bar will appear down the left side of the screen. To start the registration process, click on "Flock Mgmt" bold Letters, then click on the "Recording" and then click on the "Lambs" tab. You will have two options to submit registration information: Manual Entry or Spreadsheet.



#### **MANUAL ENTRY**

The registration queue is like paper and electronic forms provided in the past.

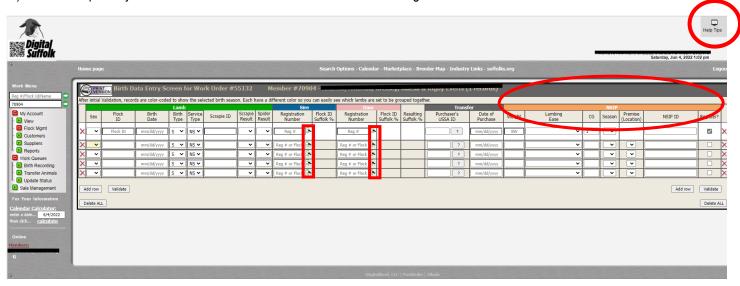
- 1) Complete the application "help tips" can be turned on by clicking the circled area.

  Note: If animals being registered have been sold, a transfer of ownership can be recorded at the time of registration. To transfer animals, the member ID must be known. To search for a member ID select "?" next to the blank for purchaser's ID and search by zip code or search on the DigitalSuffolk.org homepage by name, city, zip code, etc.
- 2) Once entry is complete, select "validate". Validation will check for any entry errors, conflicts, or missing data. Validation does not officially save the entry. If errors appear after validation, correct information and re-validate.
- 3) After validation, select "commit to registry". Commit to registry button will not appear until after an initial validation has run. Animals with errors will not be committed and will remain in the work queue. Once animals are committed, very few corrections can be made by members. Please double check your work.
- Once completed you will be redirected to a work order screen with billing information.

#### SPREADSHEET UPLOAD

- 1) To upload a spreadsheet the provided template must be used. Download template and populate fields and <u>save as a .csv or .txt</u> <u>file.</u> Files saved as a standard Excel worksheet will not upload.
- 2) Upload the completed spreadsheet.
- 3) When upload is complete, you will be redirected to the registration queue screen shown below animal data will be populated accordingly. Select "validate". Validation will check for any entry errors, conflicts, or missing data. Validation does not officially save the entry. If errors appear after validation, correct information and re-validate.
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#### **Required Fields**

sex • flock ID • birth date • birth type • sire registration number • dam registration number

#### **Important Notes**

- Once animals are committed, very few corrections can be made by members. Please double check your work.
- Do not include flock name with flock ID, only include flock ID.

correct: 2206 incorrect: Smith Farm 2206

• **Do not** include DNA with flock ID, there are separate fields for that information.

correct: 2206 incorrect: 2206 RRNN

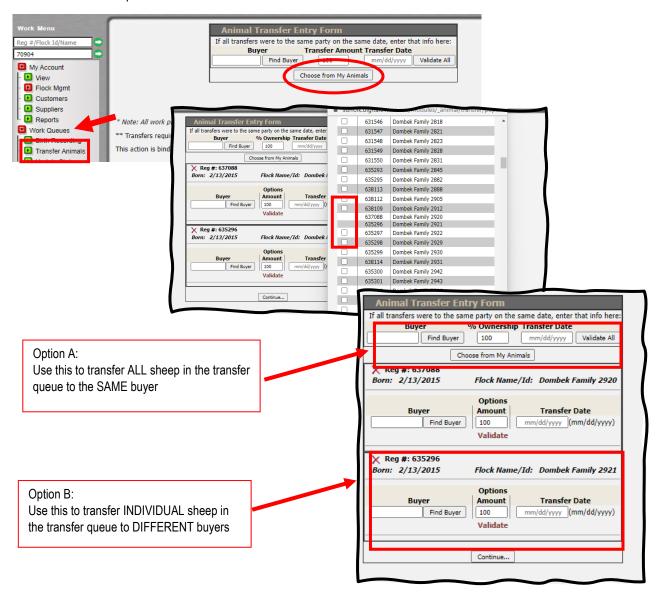
- Registration number lookup: If you do not know the registration of the sire or dam, you can click the icon directly to the right of the data entry field to look up active animals in your inventory.
- If animals being registered have been sold, a transfer of ownership can be recorded at the time of registration. To transfer animals, the member ID must be known. To search for a member ID select "?" next to the blank for purchaser's ID and search by zip code or search on the DigitalSuffolk.org homepage by name, city, zip code, etc.
- If you are enrolled in NSIP and the NSIP fields are not shown, please contact the Suffolk Office.

### **TRANSFERS**

To register lambs at the time of registration, refer to **registration** instructions.

To transfer registered animals, select work queues then transfer animals on the left-hand side work menu. Through this screen animals can either be transferred to one buyer or multiple buyers.

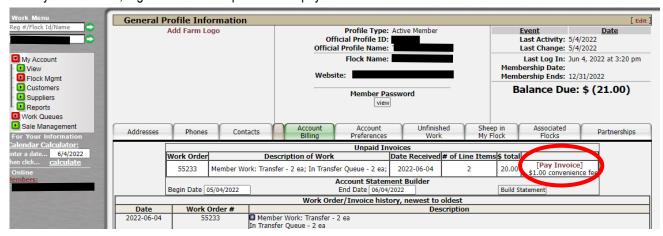
- 1. Once transfer entry form appears, select choose from my animals.
- 2. A pop-up box will appear, select the animals you want to transfer (they will automatically populate on the transfer form). Close the pop-up window when finished
- 3. Assign buyer. Member IDs can be searched by zip code by selecting "find buyer". To search for IDs by name or city go to the DigitalSuffolk.org homepage search menu.
  - a. To assign the same buyer to ALL animals compete the very top of the application.
  - b. To assign different buyers to the animals selected, complete the transfer information for each individual animal listed.
- 4. 100% ownership transfer is defaulted, if different update the transfer amount.
- Once buyers are assigned, select "validate".
- 6. Once validation has run, select "continue". If the message "You have successfully transferred this animal!" appears, the transfer is complete.



# **CHECKING OUT**

If you would like to check your balance and settle your account, you may now do so at any time. Click on the "View" from the work menu on the left-hand side of the screen. Then select "Account Billing" from here you will be able to view your account statements and your invoice history.

A credit card payment can be made from this screen by clicking "Pay Invoice". Registry work will not be printed and mailed until paid. Members may mail a check; registrations will be printed once payment is received.



### PRINTING CERTIFICATES

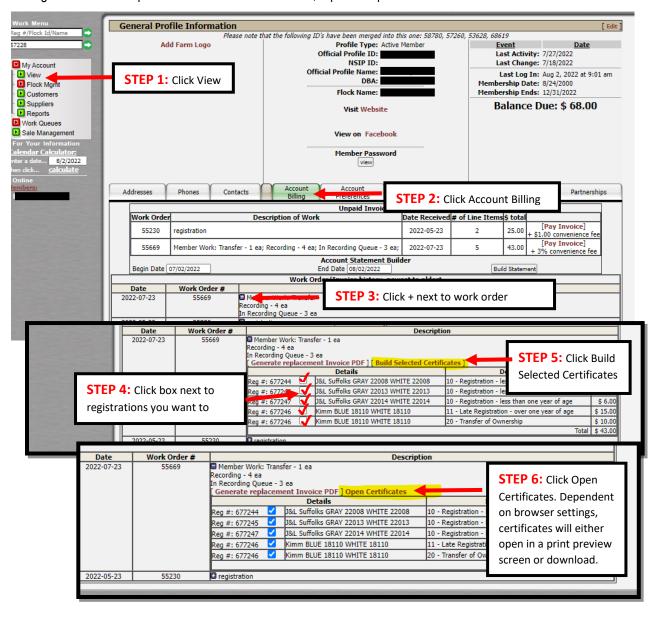
Certificates can be generated two ways - from a recently processed work order or an individual animal's details screen.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

Certificates will be generated as a pdf viewer file. A front and back side will generate for each registration certificate. This file can also be saved as a pdf file. If your printer allows for front and back printing, be sure to select "flip on short edge" in your printer settings.

#### PRINTING NEW REGISTRATIONS/TRANSFERS CONNECTED TO A WORK ORDER

To print certificates for any sheep connected to a recent work order in Digital Suffolks, use the following steps. Please note that within a work order you can generate certificates for all sheep or just select sheep; check the boxes next to the animals you would like to have certificates generated. If sheep are in two different work orders, repeat the process.



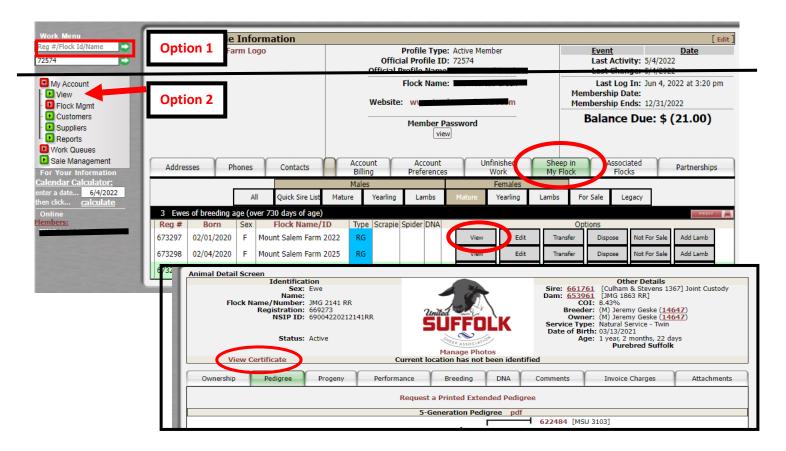
#### PRINTING REGISTRATIONS NOT CONNECTED TO A WORK ORDER

To print registrations that are not related to a work order (duplicate certificate):

Option 1: Enter the animal's registration number in the work menu on the left-hand side/grey column

**Option 2:** Find the animal in your flock inventory. Click "view" – "Sheep in my Flock" – "View" next to the animal. In the animal detail screen click view certificate. Depending on your browser settings, certificates will open in a pdf viewer or download. Certificates can be printed or saved once opened.

\*Note, if you are not currently recorded as the registered owner, you cannot print certificates for transferred sheep not connected to a work order. You can view the sheep in the system but do not have access to printing. You will need to request a duplicate certificate.

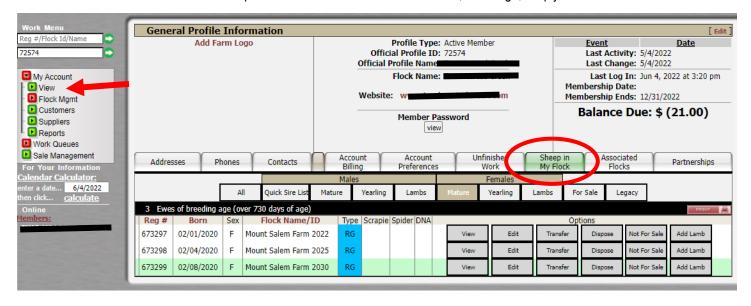


## VIEW FLOCK INVENTORY

Members can view all sheep in their flock at any time. If there are junior or partnership accounts connected to the membership, those sheep will be populated as well. If there are family members or partnerships associated with your flock and you do not see those sheep in your inventory, please contact the Suffolk Office.

Through the Sheep in My Flock Screen members can:

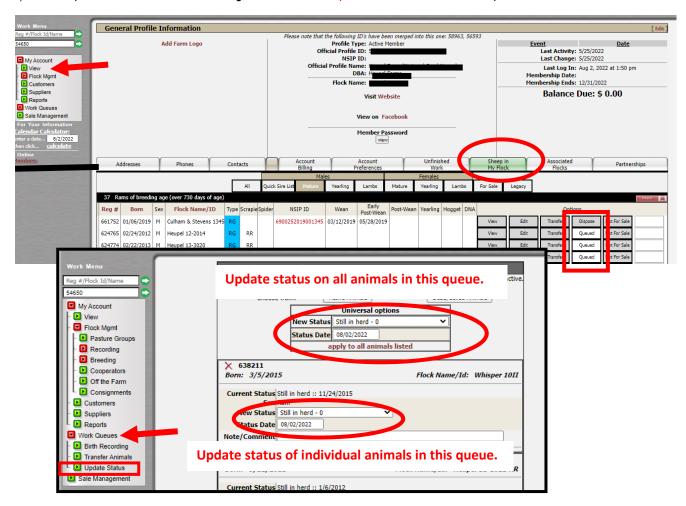
- Dispose of inactive animals. We ask that all members do this every year.
- View individual animals
- Edit animals member editing is very limited. Contact the Suffolk Office to make changes other than those listed.
- Transfer animals Animals can be selected for transfer. Once animals are selected, continue through work orders/transfer animals screen as mentioned in the **TRANSFER** section of this document.
- List animals for sale in the Marketplace. Animals are defaulted not for sale, to change, simply click not for sale.



# **DISPOSAL OF INACTIVE ANIMALS**

Each year members are asked to update their flock inventory and dispose of any sheep that have been sold, culled or are deceased.

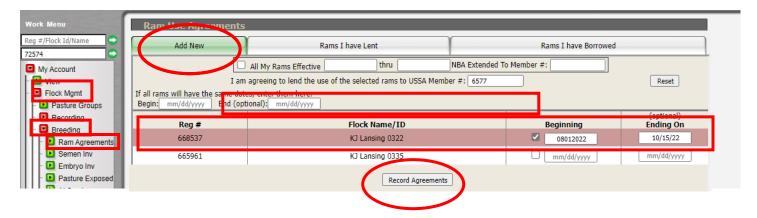
- 1) Select View
- 2) Select Sheep in my Flock
- 3) For the animals that need to be removed from inventory click dispose to the right of the animal's information, once clicked it will update to gueued. Animals can be selected from any of the inventory groups.
- 4) Select Work Queues on the left-hand Work Menu.
- 5) Select Update Status
- 6) Animal status updates can be made for 1) all animals listed in the queue or 2) individual animals.
- 7) Once disposal statuses have been assigned, click "make updates" at the bottom of the queued animals.



### **RAM LEASES**

Members can manage ram leases by a ram use agreement to another breeder. With the completion of a ram use agreement, the member leasing the ram will need no additional permissions or signatures to complete their lamb registrations. In order to record ram leases you will need a the lessee's USSA member number. To find that information, go to the homepage of DigitalSuffolk and use the search field. If the lessee has several member numbers, contact them for more information or contact the Suffolk Office.

- 1) In the left-hand work menu select Flock Mgmt Breeding Ram Leases Add New
- 2) Complete the following fields below:
  - Lessee member number
  - Check the box and fill in the lease dates next to the ram(s) that were leased
- 3) Click Record Agreements.
- 4) To review the list of rams you have leased out, refer to the tab highlighted yellow "Rams I have Lent"
- 5) To review the list of rams you have leased yourself, refer to the tab highlighted yellow "Rams I have Borrowed". Please note only the current owner of the ram can record a ram use agreement.

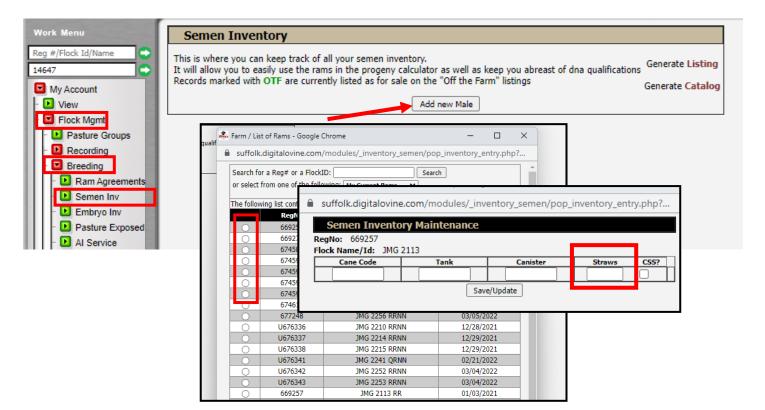


# **RECORDING SEMEN INVENTORY**

Members should record semen inventory on rams they currently own or have owned in the past. Members are unable to record semen inventory on rams they have never owned, however, it is very important this inventory recorded. Members should email the Suffolk Office semen inventory on rams they have never owned.

- 1) Select Flock Mgmt Breeding Semen Inventory
- 2) Click add new male
- 3) Click the circle next to the ram that inventory needs to be recorded; a pop-up window will open.
- 4) Record the number of straws of semen you have in inventory, click save/update.
- 5) Additional semen can be added to inventory with future collections.

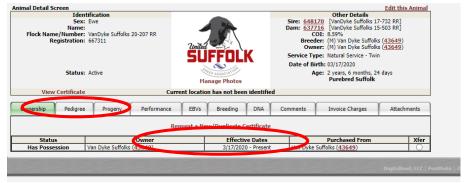
There is no requirement to record cane, tank or canister.



### REQUEST A DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE

Members can print a duplicate registrations paper themselves or request a duplicate.

- 1) Click "view certificate", the registration will populate in a new pdf viewer screen, the certificate can be printed.
- 2) A duplicate paper can be requested by clicking "request a new/duplicate certificate", the member will automatically be billed for a duplicate certificate.

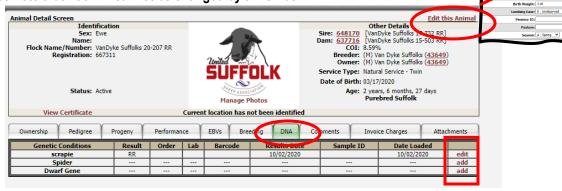


### **CORRECTIONS/STATUS UPDATES**

Members are limited to the corrections/updates they can make to a sheep that has already been registered. Members can print a corrected registration after they have made any changes or can request a duplicate (printed and billed through the office). Members can correct the following info; all other information will need to be emailed or called into the Suffolk Office.

- Addition/Correction of Scrapie Tag
- Addition/Correction of NSIP ID
- Status Updates
- Birth weight
- DNA (scrapie, spider, dwarf)

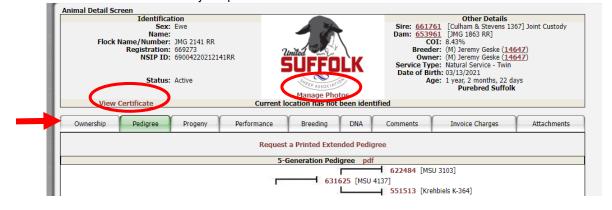
Please note that flock ID cannot be changed by a member.



#### ANIMAL DETAIL SCREEN

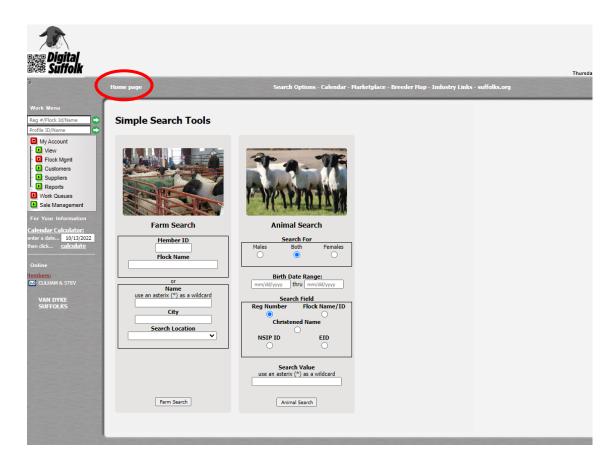
For each animal in your inventory, you can manage/view several things. Any text in DigitalSuffolk that is red and underlined is hyperlinked and when clicked will send you to learn more.

- 1) Print/view registration certificate. The registration will appear in a viewer screen and you can print the paper at home or save it as a file. Registrations are set to download with a front and back. Registrations printed by a member are deemed official, carrying a QR code that links the registration paper to the real-time information in DigitalSuffolk.
- 2) Photos of the animal can be added. Please note that photos must be less than 2 MB and a .jpg file.
- 3) Ownership history, progeny report by year, performance data (coming soon), breeding records, DNA, comments, invoice charges affiliated with the animals and the ability to upload attachments.



# **SEARCHING THE REGISTRY**

Members have access to searching members/flocks and individual sheep. At any time you can access the search page by clicking "homepage" as circled below. T



## **EDIT YOUR PROFILE**

Members can make some edits to their member profile, including:

Website

Email

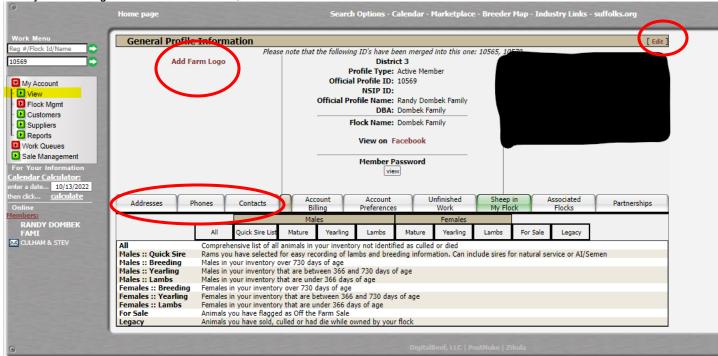
Facebook

Address

Add Farm Logo

Phone

For any other changes that need to be made, contact the Suffolk Office.

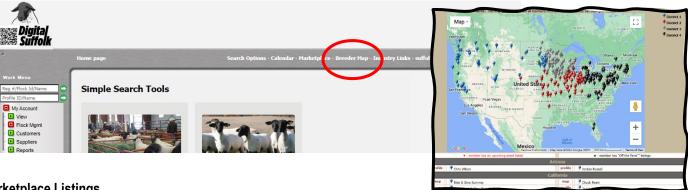


## MARKETPLACE/BREEDERS MAP

The marketplace and breeders map features are accessible by anyone, not just those who have login access to Digital Suffolk.

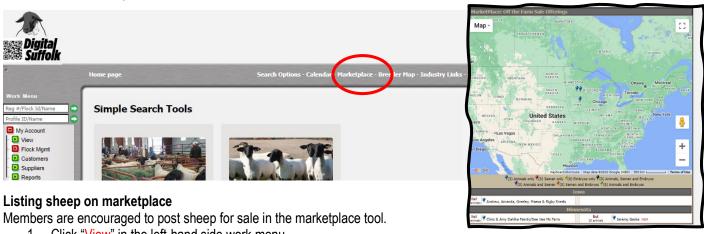
#### **Breeders Map**

Members are encouraged to check if they are included on the breeder's map. Note that you must be a **current** member to be listed on this map. If you are not included on the map, please contact the Suffolk Office.

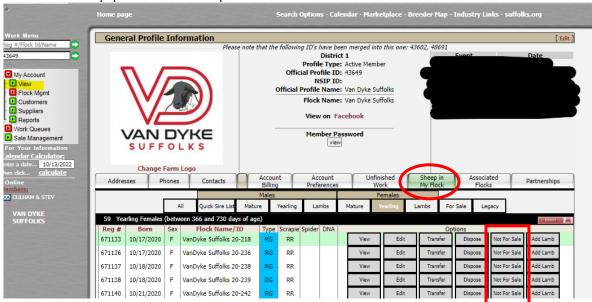


#### Marketplace Listings

Members are encouraged to post sheep for sale in the marketplace tool. '



- 1. Click "View" in the left-hand side work menu
- 2. Click "Sheep in my Flock"
- 3. Select the combination sex/age category
- 4. To the right of the sheep you would like to list for sale, click "Not for Sale", this will change the listing to "For Sale"
- The animals should populate to the marketplace.

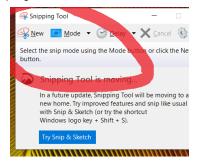


### SHARING FEEDBACK

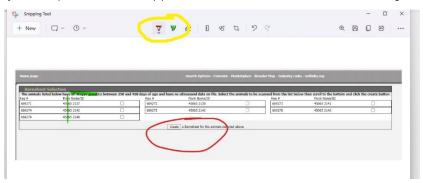
As the USSA softly rolls out the Digital Suffolk program for member use, there will be some continued programing needed to resolve issues, improve member use, and make corrections in the program that have not been updated to Suffolk sheep. We kindly ask to share feedback on things you find that need attention, don't seem right, or need clarity on the instructions sheet. Please note that tutorials on all the options/tools found in Digital Suffolk have been included on this document. Please stay tuned for more information but if you're comfortable with doing more, please do!

The easiest way to provide feedback is by sharing screenshots of the program page via email - here's a quick tutorial:

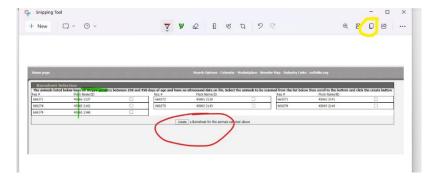
- 1) On your computer search for the program called Snipping Tool (it should come standard on your computer).
- 2) Open program and select new.



- 3) Your screen will turn a gray color. Draw a box around what you want to share.
- 4) The area your screen that was snipped will automatically feed into the tool. You can use tools such as highlighter or pen as circled below in yellow to point out the area(s) where the issue occurs or where something needs to be added/corrected.



5) Once you identified the issues (not always necessary) you can copy your edited screenshot by clicking on the double paper icon circled below in yellow.



7) Draft an email through your email account explaining what you found and place your cursor where you want the screenshot to go and hit clt and V at the same time to paste/place the image into your email message. You can do this as many times as you want in the email. Please send the email to info@suffolks.org, subject line DigitalSuffolk edits.

The best and preferred way to share the issue is by email as I can forward the information directly to the programmer. If the issue you are having is tricky to explain via email or time sensitive, please call the office for further troubleshooting.