

## **Omega Sheep and Goat Feed—Explained**

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With an analysis of 17 % protein , 6 % fat and a 11 % fiber level this premium show feed is built for performance and getting your sheep and goats to the next level . This feed can be utilized in different feeding concepts to help you get the most out of your animal when being at 12:00 is critical .

Omega is designed to partner with our new Alpha show feed so that you can increase protein , fat and energy as your animal matures. Omega makes a great top dress that can give your base ration more calories and energy. “Pro Tip” If you start your animals on Alpha you can slowly over time replace Alpha with Omega keeping your amount the same and ending up with your sheep or goat on 100% Omega. For example if I want to slow grow a black face club lamb I would start him on 2 lbs of Alpha with plenty of coarse hay. In two weeks I'll go to a 3/4 A - 1/4 O . If the sheep is cleaning up all of his feed and doing well at the next two week mark I'll go to a 1/2 A - 1/2 O still at 2 lbs total. The next two week period I'll go to a 3/4 O - 1/4 A and if the lamb is handling each increase good I'll move to 100 % Omega at the 2 lb. feed level with a plentiful amount of course hay. The sheep will stay on this volume indefinitely and now we're feeding a high energy - low volume concept providing a nutrient dense ration that can be fed at low volume.

Your lamb can be managed to mature slowly without excess growth and weight gain. This concept is not for all sheep and breed differences and genetics may or may not be suited for this feeding style. I see this high energy / low volume fitting a lot of medium wool sheep that I see. If you have questions concerning the New Alpha and Omega feeding system give me a call. Thanks and good luck with your Show Stock!