

Suri Fleece Length for Showing Survey Report

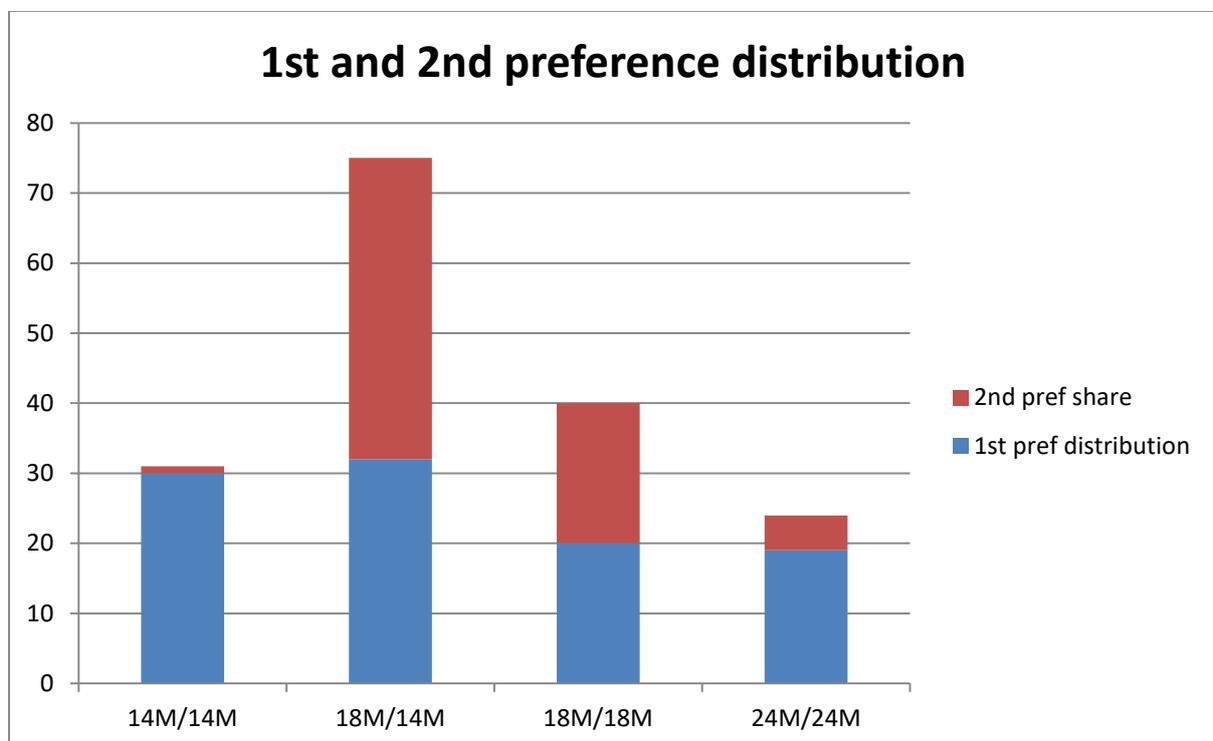
The survey opened 23 October 2020 and closed on 2 November 2020. 106 responses were received from the 242 invited participants, giving a response rate of 44%. All respondents answered questions one and two, while 101 respondents answered question three and five skipped it.

The most popular response was to retain the current rule of up to 18 months for a first fleece and 14 months for subsequent fleeces (n=32 for first preference) and a further 43 respondents selected this as their second preference (figure 1).

The least preferred option was the 24 month option for first and subsequent fleeces (n=19 for first preference and n=5 for second preference).

These patterns were consistent in both the whole group analysis and in sub-group analysis based on show participation.

Figure 1: 1st and 2nd preference distribution



Whole group responses

Question 1

- 99% of respondents owned Suri alpacas (n=105)
- 89% of respondents breed Suri (n=94)
- 77% of respondents exhibited Suri prior to Covid-19 restrictions (n=82)
- 71% of respondents intend to exhibit Suri when AAA shows resume (n=75)

Question 2: In a USUAL calendar year, approximately how many shows would you exhibit Suri at?

- 0 shows – 15% (n=16)
- 1 to 3 shows – 33% (n=35)
- 4 to 6 shows – 42% (n=44)
- 7 or more shows – 10% (n=11)

Question 3: If the rules allow, what are your preferred options for MAXIMUM Suri fleece growth for exhibiting in AAA shows?

	1	2–	3–	4–	SCORE–
14 months for all Suri fleeces	29.70% 30	22.77% 23	16.83% 17	30.69% 31	2.51
18 months for first Suri fleece and 14 months for subsequent Suri fleeces (current rule)	31.68% 32	42.57% 43	24.75% 25	0.99% 1	3.05
18 months for all Suri fleeces	19.80% 20	29.70% 30	48.51% 49	1.98% 2	2.67
24 months for all Suri fleeces	18.81% 19	4.95% 5	9.90% 10	66.34% 67	1.76

Sub-Group Analysis: Suri Show Participation

Question 3: Respondents who **showed Suri** prior to Covid-19 restrictions

	1–	2–	3–	4–	SCORE–
14 months for all Suri fleeces	26.25% 21	20.00% 16	18.75% 15	35.00% 28	2.38
18 months for first Suri fleece and 14 months for subsequent Suri fleeces (current rule)	31.25% 25	41.25% 33	26.25% 21	1.25% 1	3.02
18 months for all Suri fleeces	21.25% 17	33.75% 27	43.75% 35	1.25% 1	2.75
24 months for all Suri fleeces	21.25% 17	5.00% 4	11.25% 9	62.50% 50	1.85

Question 3: Respondents who **intend to show Suri** when AAA shows resume

	1–	2–	3–	4–	SCORE–
14 months for all Suri fleeces	23.29% 17	24.66% 18	16.44% 12	35.62% 26	2.36
18 months for first Suri fleece and 14 months for subsequent Suri fleeces (current rule)	35.62% 26	35.62% 26	28.77% 21	0.00% 0	3.07
18 months for all Suri fleeces	19.18% 14	32.88% 24	45.21% 33	2.74% 2	2.68
24 months for all Suri fleeces	21.92% 16	6.85% 5	9.59% 7	61.64% 45	1.89

Colour key:

Highest response as 1st preference

Highest response as 4th preference

Number of shows usually attended

Question 3: Respondents who usually attend 0 shows in a year

	1-	2-	3-	4-	SCORE-
14 months for all Suri fleeces	38.46% 5	30.77% 4	23.08% 3	7.69% 1	3.00
18 months for first Suri fleece and 14 months for subsequent Suri fleeces (current rule)	30.77% 4	53.85% 7	15.38% 2	0.00% 0	3.15
18 months for all Suri fleeces	23.08% 3	15.38% 2	61.54% 8	0.00% 0	2.62
24 months for all Suri fleeces	7.69% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	92.31% 12	1.23

Question 3: Respondents who usually attend 1 to 3 shows in a year

	1-	2-	3-	4-	SCORE-
14 months for all Suri fleeces	54.55% 18	15.15% 5	15.15% 5	15.15% 5	3.09
18 months for first Suri fleece and 14 months for subsequent Suri fleeces (current rule)	27.27% 9	57.58% 19	12.12% 4	3.03% 1	3.09
18 months for all Suri fleeces	9.09% 3	24.24% 8	60.61% 20	6.06% 2	2.36
24 months for all Suri fleeces	9.09% 3	3.03% 1	12.12% 4	75.76% 25	1.45

Question 3: Respondents who usually attend 4 to 6 shows in a year

	1-	2-	3-	4-	SCORE-
14 months for all Suri fleeces	15.91% 7	25.00% 11	18.18% 8	40.91% 18	2.16
18 months for first Suri fleece and 14 months for subsequent Suri fleeces (current rule)	34.09% 15	36.36% 16	29.55% 13	0.00% 0	3.05
18 months for all Suri fleeces	27.27% 12	31.82% 14	40.91% 18	0.00% 0	2.86
24 months for all Suri fleeces	22.73% 10	6.82% 3	11.36% 5	59.09% 26	1.93

Question 3: Respondents who usually attend 7 or more shows in a year

	1-	2-	3-	4-	SCORE-
14 months for all Suri fleeces	0.00% 0	27.27% 3	9.09% 1	63.64% 7	1.64
18 months for first Suri fleece and 14 months for subsequent Suri fleeces (current rule)	36.36% 4	9.09% 1	54.55% 6	0.00% 0	2.82
18 months for all Suri fleeces	18.18% 2	54.55% 6	27.27% 3	0.00% 0	2.91
24 months for all Suri fleeces	45.45% 5	9.09% 1	9.09% 1	36.36% 4	2.64

Sub-Group Analysis: Subsequent Response Patterns

Question 3: Those who prefer shortest fleece (14M/14M)

	1-	2-	3-	4-	SCORE-
14 months for all Suri fleeces	100.00% 30	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	4.00
18 months for first Suri fleece and 14 months for subsequent Suri fleeces (current rule)	0.00% 0	93.33% 28	3.33% 1	3.33% 1	2.90
18 months for all Suri fleeces	0.00% 0	3.33% 1	90.00% 27	6.67% 2	1.97
24 months for all Suri fleeces	0.00% 0	3.33% 1	6.67% 2	90.00% 27	1.13

Question 3: Those who prefer the current rule (18M/14M)

	1-	2-	3-	4-	SCORE-
14 months for all Suri fleeces	0.00% 0	68.75% 22	28.13% 9	3.13% 1	2.66
18 months for first Suri fleece and 14 months for subsequent Suri fleeces (current rule)	100.00% 32	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	4.00
18 months for all Suri fleeces	0.00% 0	31.25% 10	68.75% 22	0.00% 0	2.31
24 months for all Suri fleeces	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	3.13% 1	96.88% 31	1.03

Question 3: Those who prefer the middle option (18M/18M)

	1-	2-	3-	4-	SCORE-
14 months for all Suri fleeces	0.00% 0	5.00% 1	40.00% 8	55.00% 11	1.50
18 months for first Suri fleece and 14 months for subsequent Suri fleeces (current rule)	0.00% 0	75.00% 15	25.00% 5	0.00% 0	2.75
18 months for all Suri fleeces	100.00% 20	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	4.00
24 months for all Suri fleeces	0.00% 0	20.00% 4	35.00% 7	45.00% 9	1.75

Question 3: Those who prefer the longest fleece (24M/24M)

	1-	2-	3-	4-	SCORE-
14 months for all Suri fleeces	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	100.00% 19	1.00
18 months for first Suri fleece and 14 months for subsequent Suri fleeces (current rule)	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	100.00% 19	0.00% 0	2.00
18 months for all Suri fleeces	0.00% 0	100.00% 19	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	3.00
24 months for all Suri fleeces	100.00% 19	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	4.00

Colour key:

Highest response of 1st preference

Highest response of 2nd preference

Highest response of 3rd preference

Highest response of 4th preference