

## American Romney Breeders Association Seller Checklist

- Advertise your animals.
  - Make sure you are a current ARBA Member to be listed in the online directory
  - Attend fairs, festivals, shows, and sales. Regional and National ARBA Show and Sales are a great venue. <http://americanromney.org/member-services/events/>
  - Places to post ads:
    - <http://americanromney.org/classifieds/>
    - Send an email to [americanromney@gaggle.email](mailto:americanromney@gaggle.email) - every member of the list will get the email
    - ARBA District Facebook groups (as well as other farm groups)
    - Farm Website/Facebook page
  - Take pictures from all angles –front view, back view and side view. Don't forget a picture of the fleece, too!
  - Provide details based on breed standards and the uniqueness of your genetics.
    - General appearance (topline, black points, etc.) and condition
    - Neck and head
    - Feet and legs
    - Body and fleece
    - Refer to <http://americanromney.org/about-romneys/breed-standard/>
  - Offer pictures and information on sire/dam, progeny, or full siblings of animals for sale, of the animal you are buying.
  - Provide health information.
    - Vaccinations and deworming
    - Be honest about any known health problems and how they were addressed
    - If selling mature animals, provide breeding history and productivity
- Inspect the animals before sale to ensure you are selling the highest quality animals possible.
  - Know how your animals align with the breed standards
  - Check bite/Jaw alignment
    - Teeth should meet dental pad
    - Avoid under or overshot jaw abnormalities
  - Check body condition and eye membranes
  - Check for health problems (hoof rot, lice, etc.)
- Be sure the animals have at least an official USDA scrapie tag that includes the originating flock's premise ID (state followed by number, ex. NY1234).
- Obtain health certificates as necessary under state requirements.
- Be sure the animals are registered and transferred.
  - Either sign the papers for the buyer to send in for transfer, or promptly complete transfers for the buyers. Have copies of registration papers available.
  - Be sure if you sell a bred ewe that you provide the proper signatures on a registration form so the buyers can register the lambs.

**ARBA encourages all sellers to be open, honest, and helpful. If you would like assistance finding buyers or advertising your animals, contact your District Director.**