

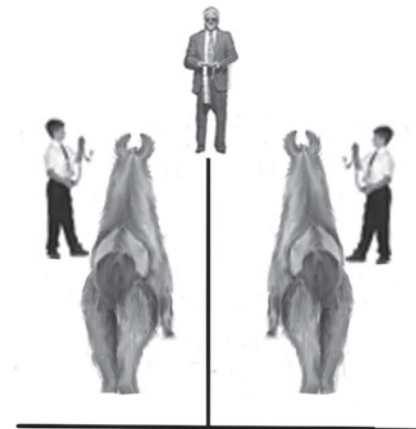
Showing Hints

- Encourage your lama to walk out briskly on a slack or “j” line.
- Never give the appearance of having to “drag” the lama or jerk on the lead.
- Exhibitors should leave a safe distance between lamas (about 6 ft.).
- Never crowd or come in contact with another lama.
- The lama should be lead from its left side. The lead is in the exhibitor’s right hand and at least 8 inches from the halter.
- The extra lead should be coiled in a figure-eight and held in the exhibitor’s left hand. Never wrap lead around the hand.
- When lining up, the lama should be set up square on all four feet.
- The exhibitor should stand facing the lama at a 45-degree angle off its shoulder, switching sides when necessary.
- An exhibitor should always be able to see the lama and the judge.
- When making a turn, the exhibitor should always turn to the right unless it is a ¼ turn or less.
- If asked to do a haunch or pivot turn, simply do a collected, safe turn where the lama’s hind feet stay nearly in place.
- Always travel to and from the judge in straight lines, so that the judge gets an accurate look at how the lama travels.
- If asked to change positions in the line, leave your space by walking forward and clear of the line, then turn to the right, go back through your space in the line, and clear the line again. Turn the correct direction toward the new space you are to enter, and then enter the new place in line from the rear.
- If asked by the judge to back, the lama should respond to the handler’s request willingly, back at least three steps, or however many steps the judge requests, then move forward to its original position.
- After the judge inspects the fiber or touches the lama, the exhibitor should reposition the fiber. If the exhibitor doesn’t reposition the fiber after the judge has touched it, the exhibitor should be faulted and therefore lose points.
- In accordance with the tradition of the show ring, it is suggested that exhibitors wear long-sleeved shirts, jackets, long pants, or skirts. Footwear must cover the entire foot. A conservative, neat, tailored style will be appreciated. The exhibitor is showing the animal at all times, not himself or herself.
- Be natural. Over-showing, maneuvering, and fussing are objectionable.
- Keep a close eye on the lama’s position and feet. Any faults should be recognized and corrected quickly.
- Smile and enjoy. It will show!

LAMA SHOWMANSHIP QUADRANTS

FRONT END - OPPOSITE SIDE

JUDGE IS AT THE FRONT HALF OF THE LAMA - HANDLER IS ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE LAMA



BACK HALF - SAME SIDE

JUDGE IS AT THE BACK HALF OF THE LAMA - HANDLER IS ON THE SAME SIDE OF THE LAMA

