Shearing Pattern

1. Belly
   All blows must start high on the brisket. Remove all fribs and ensure easy entry for neck blows.

2. Crutch
   Blows 6 and 7 may be combined. Protect teats on second blow. Repeat if necessary to ensure a clean crutch.

3. First Leg
   Blows 9 and 10 may be combined. Gently push the wool upwards to remove skin wrinkles for blow 9 and 10.

4. Undermine
   Blows must run parallel to the backbone— one each side. *Blow 13 may be deleted.

5. Topknot
   Place blows carefully. Blow 15 must clear top of eye and front of ear.

6. Neck
   On blow 17, keep the top of the comb on the skin and finish square under the jaw.

7. Neck
   Blow 20 clears ear and continues around back of head to far ear and clearing front of eye on wooly sheep. Start moving sheep into first shoulder while shearing blow 21. Roll wrist on blow 22 to keep bottom tooth on the skin.

8 & 9. First Shoulder
   Blow 24 clears strips under leg. Blow 25 runs from rib under leg while turning into long blow.

10. & 11. Long Blows
    Delete blow 26 on small lambs. Keep sheep's head down and step over while shearing blow 28. Blow 29 must not cross the backbone before the shoulder. It finished square under the bottom ear.

12. Head
    Shearer's knees are used to control sheep's head.

13. Last Shoulder
    Sheep's head turned and placed high between shearer's legs.

14. Last Shoulder
    Blow 36 cleans fribs under sheep's legs.

15. Last Side
    Roll sheep back for blow 38 to shear out the leg.

16. Last Leg
    Blow 39 clears top of leg if necessary. Blow 40 rolls under hamstring.