

Don't Let Your Goat Leave Home Without It

NATIONWIDE MANDATORY Requirements



A Record must be made when official ID is applied to a goat; or a goat is acquired or disposed. *The record must be kept for five years after the goat dies or is no longer owned by you.*

The records must contain: Official ID - Type of Official ID (tattoo, RFID 840 device, USDA Scrapie ID Tag) - Breed - Date Official Scrapie ID Applied - Sex - Birth Date - Date Acquired - Name/Address of previous owner(s), if applicable - Date Sold - Name/Address of Buyer

In Addition To the requirements all producers must follow, each State can add requirements for producers in that state. Information for your state is available from your State Veterinarian. (see below)

Goats Moving in Slaughter Channels:

Complete an Owner/Hauler Statement and Group/Lot ID to accompany the goats (except wethers under 18 months of age).

- > Official eartags are required for goats 18 months of age or older that are in slaughter channels, unless moving them as a single source group/lot.

Tattoos and electronic implants may not be used to officially ID goats that are in slaughter channels or that are moving through a livestock market or buying station.

Goats Not Moving in Slaughter Channels:

That are Crossing State Lines or being offered for sale to out of state buyers (including through a market), being bought from out of state sellers, or being taken to a show:

- > official Individual ID (official eartag, flock ID or registry tattoo, or official Electronic ID Implant prior to moving (if they are in a class that requires official ID)
- > owner's official tags applied at another site in-state before changing ownership; or
- > tagged at market with market tags if being taken to a federally approved market.

Group/Lot ID and Owner/Hauler Statement are required for:

- 1) Goats in slaughter channels (except wethers under 18 months of age)
 - > Eartag goats 18 months of age or older unless moving them as a single source group/lot.
- 2) Goats not in slaughter channels that do not have an official eartag or other official ID (except wethers under 18 months of age)

Health Papers ICVI (Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection) issued by an accredited veterinarian are required for Goats Crossing a State Line and Not in Slaughter Channels:

Exceptions:

- 1) wethers under 18 months or age*,
- 2) goats moving to another premises of the same flock that is listed in the National Scrapie Database, and
- 3) goats moving to a federally approved market.

**Some states also require an ICVI (health paper) for instate shows, as well as official eartags for wethers being shown.*

Resources

Official Scrapie ID Tags Information and/or to Request a Flock/Premise ID or Free Tags for first-time Producers: **CALL 866-USDA-TAG (866-873-2824)**

Producer Recordkeeping, Other Forms, & Information, State Veterinarian Contact Information, Where to buy Official Tags: <https://AmericanGoatFederation.org/education/how-to-cope/>

USDA Scrapie Eradication Program Regulations:

<https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-disease-information/sheep-and-goat-health>

National Scrapie Eradication Website: <http://www.eradicatescrapie.org/>

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