Solving the Scrapie Identification Puzzle

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Easiest Option

Non-Positive Non-Exposed

Non-High risk Non-Suspect

Scrapie Positive Scrapie Exposed

Scrapie High-Risk Scrapie Suspect
You can purchase an official ear tag by calling: 866-USDA-TAG

Officially identify each animal and maintain the records for 5 years AFTER the animal is terminated.
Ideally, producers should keep records in electronic format!!
Official ID
APHIS APPROVED

Ear Tags (including those with RFID) easiest to use and preferred by markets and buyers as they quickly determine which goats meet the requirements for official ID.

Flock ID/Registry Tattoos
Combination of assigned National Scrapie Database and unique individual animal number

Electronic Implantable Devices-EIDs
Official Ear Tags on neck straps
Back Tags
Registry tattoos as official identification is allowed when the goat is legibly tattooed and accompanied by a copy of their registration in the name of the current owner or a copy of a completed application of ownership dated within 60 days of the change in ownership or when accompanied by an ICVI that lists the flocks of origin and birth, the registry, and the registry tattoo.

APHIS provides for tail fold tattoos, Electronic Implantable Devices (EIDs), and neck collars as acceptable means of identification for very small eared or earless goats.

Back tags for earless animals moving directly to slaughter is allowed.
Entering Interstate Commerce

Does and Bucks (all ages)

ICVI (Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection) is required to cross a state line unless moving with an owner/hauler statement to a federally approved market or another premise of the flock without change of ownership.

OFFICIAL ID IS REQUIRED

Not In Slaughter Channels

Not Entering Interstate Commerce

Does and Bucks (all ages)

Goats that...

1. Are not and have not been in interstate commerce
2. Are not owned by people who engage in interstate commerce
3. Have not resided on premises from which or to sheep or goats are moved interstate

...are exempted from the federal ID requirements but must comply with state requirements. Contact your State Veterinarian’s office for specific information.

Engaging in interstate commerce of goats includes offering to sell or dispose of or selling or disposing of sheep or goats out-of-state, buying or acquiring sheep or goats that have been out-of-state, moving sheep or goats across a state line, or selling sheep or goats through a livestock market where out-of-state buyers may bid.
In Slaughter Channels

Transporting to a terminal feedlot, slaughter, slaughter-only auctions and personal consumption

18 months or older

Less than 18 months old

Official ID is required unless moving them as a single source group/lot accompanied by a Owner/Hauler Statement

No official ID required
Wethers

18 months or older

Official ID is required unless moving them as a single source group/lot accompanied by an Owner/Hauler Statement.

Less than 18 months old

No official ID required if in slaughter channels. State may have tag requirements—check with State Veterinarian.
State Veterinarian will provide instructions on movement of animals!!

Scrapie Positive
Scrapie Exposed

Scrapie High-Risk
Scrapie Suspect
Thank you for being the final PIECE to eradicate this disease!!

When in doubt ID it!