

MANDATORY NATIONAL SCRAPIE ERADICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Mandatory Scrapie Eradication Regulations enacted in 2001 require:

- All Sheep and Goat Owners to register their premises with the USDA;
- **All Sheep and Goats must be properly identified; (Exhibited animals must be USDA ID'd)**
- All identification records are to be maintained for 5 years.

Exceptions to mandatory identification are limited to:

- Sheep and goats that never leave their premise of origin;
- Sheep and goats less than 18 months of age that go directly to USDA approved slaughter facility,
- Or USDA approved “registered feedlot.

Are the Sheep or Goats registered with a breed association?

YES

Registration meets USDA premise ID requirements;
 Owners given choice of identification: USDA tag (metal or plastic), Or Association registered tattoo, Or Association registered EID (Electronic Identification=RFID);
Leaving premises (includes exhibition, but not exceptions) requires:

- ✓ USDA metal or plastic tag, Or
- ✓ Legible tattoo **with** registration papers indicating use of exact tattoo, or
- ✓ Registered EID **with** registration papers indicating use of exact EID number, **and** appropriate EID reader; **and** meeting FSIS requirements.

NO

Sign-up with USDA:

- ✓ Call: 1-866-USDA-TAG
- ✓ Tags and Taggers supplied free of charge;
- ✓ Name &/or Farm Name
- ✓ Premise’s Physical Address and Mailing Address (if different)
- ✓ E-mail/Fax/Website (if used)
- ✓ Number and Breed of Sheep &/or Goats
- ✓ Identification with official USDA metal or plastic tag, Or
- ✓ Goats can also be identified with a legible tattoo including both flock and individual ID.
- ✓ Goats going to livestock market are required to be tagged.
- ✓ Sheep and goats tagged at market may be assessed tagging fee.

After
3.11.2014

EID must be ISO compliant: 11784,
11785
and 134.2 kHz.

After 3.11.2015

EID is ISO compliant and meets AIN, 15 digit
requirement including 840(USA) prefix.