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Official Scrapie ID required on all sheep and goats imported into Wyoming

Anyone wanting to import sheep and/or goats to Wyoming from another state needs to be aware of the Wyoming Livestock Board (WLSB) and USDA APHIS requirements that *all* sheep and goats entering the state must be individually identified with USDA APHIS-approved Scrapie identification. This requirement includes wethers imported for exhibition purposes.

The following forms of identification are approved by both the USDA APHIS and the WLSB as official scrapie identification, and are accepted by Wyoming as sufficient ID for import from another state:

- Scrapie flock tag that includes both the flock number and the animal number.
- Paired tattoos, one in each ear, of the USDA-issued scrapie flock number and the individual animal number. Non-eared goats may be tattooed in the tail web or flank.
- Scrapie serial tags issued by the USDA or state. Each tag has the state-of-issue postal code followed by a series of number and letters.
- Registration tattoo featuring paired numbers, one in each ear. These numbers are listed on the breed registration paper and, together, are unique for each animal, consisting of the breeder number and animal number. The registration tattoo must be accompanied by a copy of the registration papers. Non-eared goats may be tattooed in the tail web or flank.
- 15-digit Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) tag beginning with the numbers 840. A microchip can be used instead for non-eared goats; however, if a microchip is used, it must be accompanied by a reader.

In addition to having official scrapie ID, all sheep and goats being imported into Wyoming are required to have an Individual Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI) - also known as a "health certificate" - with an import permit number.

For more information on the Wyoming Livestock Board's animal import requirements, please contact the Wyoming Livestock Board at 307-777-7515 or 307-857-4140.