



REQUIRED TO BE IDENTIFIED

- FEDERAL REQUIRES ALL SEXUALLY INTACT GOATS FOR EXHIBITION.
- OHIO REQUIRES IMPORTED WETHERS FOR EXHIBITION TO COME WITH OFFICIAL ID AND CVI .

* Ohio requires ID on all intact goats at change of ownership.

Layers of regulations that get more specific: federal + state + show/Fair. OH State fair requires all wethers to have ID.

OFFICIAL EARTAGS

THEY COME IN MANY SHAPES AND COLORS,
PLASTIC OR METAL, BUT WILL HAVE THE
US SHIELD.

Available Colors:

* The color blue is only available for meat/slaughter.

Tags distributed from our office will be serial style

These are serial style tags

These are flock style tags

How Do I Know If a Tag is An Official Tag?

The **US Shield** is on all official tags.

DO NOT REMOVE OFFICIAL TAGS

Producers who want flock style plastic tags will need to purchase them.


IF a tag needs to be applied, should find tags with fair vet

TAG PLACEMENT



- ◆ Official Scrapie tag (plastic/metal tag).
- ◆ Good tag placement.
- ◆ Female portion of tag on inside of ear.

TWO-PIECE SWIVEL TAG - HAS BEEN DISCONTINUED DUE TO POOR RETENTION. HAVE OWNERS CALL US FOR NEW TAGS



These were the original scrapie tags distributed in 2002

This slide shows copy of a sign in our OH markets

THESE ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE IN EXHIBITION ANIMALS

Sheep or goats with blue metal or plastic official tags (with US shield) that are stamped "MEAT" or "SLAUGHTER ONLY" on one side of the tag, Like these pictured below:



CANNOT be used for breeding or exhibition (fairs, shows, petting zoos). But **CAN** go back to a farm to be fed out for slaughter or go direct to slaughter. (9 Code of Federal Regulations Part 79.2 & 79.3).

TATTOO INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN TO PRODUCERS

- IF YOU ARE USING **TATTOOS IN REGISTERED GOATS**, THE OFFICIAL ID IS THE REGISTRY TATTOO APPLIED IN EACH EAR AS OUTLINED ON THE REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE. THESE ANIMALS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE ORIGINAL REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE (IN EXHIBITORS NAME) IN ORDER FOR THE TATTOOS TO BE CONSIDERED OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION.
- IF YOU ARE USING **TATTOOS IN NON-REGISTERED GOATS**, THE OFFICIAL ID IS THE USDA-ASSIGNED FLOCK ID NUMBER IN ONE EAR AND AN INDIVIDUAL ANIMAL NUMBER TATTOOED IN THE OTHER EAR. WHILE THE FLOCK ID IS ASSIGNED BY USDA, THE ANIMAL NUMBER IS ASSIGNED BY THE OWNER AND MUST BE UNIQUE TO EACH ANIMAL.

TATTOO AND REGISTRATION

- USE OF TATTOOS IS A PRIVILEGE.
- OWNERS MUST ASSURE **LEGIBILITY** OF TATTOOS.
- ANIMALS MAY BE IDENTIFIED WITH A TATTOO IN LIEU OF AN OFFICIAL EAR TAG, AS LONG AS THE TATTOO IS EITHER:
 - THE SAME AS THE HERD ID ASSIGNED BY USDA
 - OR THE ANIMAL IS REGISTERED AND ACCOMPANIED BY A COPY OF THE REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE LISTED UNDER THE CURRENT OWNER.

This is the area to look for tail web tattoo --
DO NOT PLACE TAGS IN TAIL WEB AREA

TAIL WEB TATTOO SITE



Reading a tattoo
with a flashlight providing
backlight illumination



ELECTRONIC IMPLANTS

- ELECTRONIC IMPLANTS ARE AN OPTION FOR GOATS IN AN SFCP ENROLLED FLOCK/HERD, OR
- GOATS REGISTERED WITH NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS THAT ALLOW THE USE OF ISO 11784/85 COMPLIANT (840....) ELECTRONIC IMPLANTS (EID) FOR REGISTRY IDENTIFICATION, **IF ALL THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:**
 - ✓ THE ANIMAL IS REGISTERED WITH A NATIONAL REGISTRY ASSOCIATION;
 - ✓ THE ELECTRONIC IMPLANT IS RECORDED BY THE REGISTRY ON THE OFFICIAL REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE;
 - ✓ THE ANIMAL IS ACCOMPANIED BY THE OFFICIAL REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE; **AND,**
 - ✓ THE ANIMAL IS ACCOMPANIED BY A READER THAT CAN READ THE IMPLANT.
- NOTE: THESE EID NEED TO BE ORDERED DIRECTLY FROM THE TAG COMPANY AND REQUIRE AN ADDITIONAL STATE ID NUMBER (PIN).

**** Note-** animals presented in open class/ senior fair project, that are older than 3 years MAY have the older EID (not 840) and IS grandfathered in as official ID.

REQUIRED RECORD KEEPING

- ❖ **A RECORD MUST BE MADE WHEN OFFICIAL ID IS APPLIED TO THE ANIMAL.**
- ❖ **THE RECORD MUST BE KEPT FOR 5 YEARS AFTER THE ANIMAL DIES OR IS NO LONGER OWNED BY YOU.**
- ❖ **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THEY CAN BE EASILY RETRIEVED.**