



SCRAPIE

Sheep | Goats

Symptoms

- Tremors
- Behavioral and/or temperament changes
- Biting at their feet and legs
- Normal eating but losing weight
- Smacking their lips
- Rubbing and scratching on things to the point of substantial hair/wool loss
- Irregularity in gait such as rabbit hopping
- Convulsions or trembling when stimulated

Identification

There are three ways to put Scrapie identification on your animal: Ear tagging, tattooing, and microchipping. More than one may be applied to an animal. Scrapie tags can also be put on the same tag as your personal flock/herd identification tag.

Rules and Laws

- While there are national laws about Scrapie identification individual states may have additional laws.
- Animals that could be used for breeding must have identification.
- All animals over the age of 18 months are **REQUIRED** to have identification.
- To be on premise at the Clackamas County fair you are required to have Scrapie identification, no matter the age or intention of the animal.



Scrapie Tag



Customized Scrapie Tag paired with flock ID

What is Scrapie?

Scrapie is a neurodegenerative disease that can infect sheep and goats. It falls under the classification of transmissible spongiform encephalopathy meaning it impacts the central nervous system of the animal and can spread to sheep and/or goats not previously infected. There is a 100% mortality rate for infected animals. There are no cures or supportive therapies.

Where do I sign up for the Scrapie Eradication Program?

You will need to be assigned a flock/herd ID tag, even if you only have two sheep or goats. Call 866-USDA-TAG to go through the process of being assigned a flock/herd ID. You can then purchase customizable tags from approved sellers or request up to 80 non-customizable tags for free from the USDA. More information can be found at https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/animal_diseases/scrapie/downloads/niaa-sheep-and-goats-id-requirements.pdf

DISCLAIMERS:

- Rules, laws, and identification requirements are subject to change and are the responsibility of the owner of the animal to stay up to date on. This document is not inclusive of all possible laws and rules.
- Symptoms of Scrapie is not inclusive of all possible symptoms. Contact your veterinarian for more information on Scrapie.