

SHEEP/GOATS OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION OPTIONS



Official Identification (ID)

is a device or identification mark approved by the USDA which provides a unique identification number for the individual animal. Official ID devices must be tamper evident and bear the U.S. shield.

IT IS UNLAWFUL TO REMOVE OFFICIAL ID.

How to obtain a National Premise ID Number (NPIN) for 840 tags?

Kentucky producers should call 502-573-0282 or email statevet@ky.gov

Scrapie / Flock ID Tags



manufacturers.

These tags usually contain the state abbreviation, followed by the flock ID number, which is unique to that premise. They also include a unique animal ID number. These are issued to flock/herd owners by approved tag

Animal Identification Number (AIN, 840) Tags



'840' tags or devices.

Tags begin with the official country code (840 for U.S.), followed by 12 digits. These tags can be Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) devices or be visual only. AIN tags are issued to accredited veterinarians by the State Veterinarian Office. Producers can order from an authorized tag manufacturer. A National Premises Identification Number (NPIN) is required to purchase

Official Tattoos

Registration Tattoo

USDA Approved the use of registry tattoos which includes the registry prefix which is recorded in the premises record for the flock/herd in the National Scrapie Database for CVI's. The registration certificate must accompany animals when traveling or selling. Sheep/Goats presented to a livestock market must have an official Scrapie tag in their ear prior to unloading, registry tattoos are not accepted.

Serial Tags



Contains the US state abbreviation followed by a alphanumeric combination that is six characters long. **Only distributed to individuals without breeding flocks.**

-Effective January 1, 2018, ALL sheep and goats MUST be identified with an official Scrapie identification tag prior to unloading/sold at a Kentucky Livestock Market or Swap Meet. This requirement applies to all sheep and goats regardless of age, breed or sex.

-Producers who handle sheep or goats in commerce who need tags may purchase official tags directly from approved tag manufacturers. A flock and National Premises ID is required to order tags from these sources.

-Call 866-USDA-TAG (866-873-2824) to obtain a flock ID number.

www.kyagr.com/statevet/animal-movement.html
for additional information

840 / Scrapie Tag Approved Manufacturers

- ◇ Allflex USA Inc.
800-989-8247
www.AllflexUSA.com
- ◇ National Band & Tag Company
859-261-2035
www.nationalband.com
- ◇ Premier 1 Supplies LLC
800-282-6631
www.premier1supplies.com
- ◇ Shearwell USA
800-778-6014
www.shearwell.com



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