

**21—64.202(163) Identification.** Animals required to be officially identified shall have official identification applied upon, or before, departure from the current flock of origin by the flock owner or the owner's agent. An animal that already has identification recognized as official for Iowa does not need to have any additional official identification applied. If an animal was not identified prior to departing from its flock of birth or if its identification has been lost, then the animal must be identified upon, or before, departing from the current flock in which the animal resides and the flock of birth, or previous flock of origin, should be recorded, if known. No person shall apply a flock ID tag to an animal that has not resided in that flock. If a sexually intact animal that requires official identification is of uncertain origin or if the animal is identified with a blue metal "meat only" tag or a red or yellow tag denoting exposure or test status, then the animal may not be used for breeding and must be restricted until slaughter. Animals that require official identification and enter the state of Iowa from other states must be identified with an identification that complies with 9 CFR 79.2. For sheep originating from out of state, ear tags that comply with 9 CFR 79.2 will be considered official identification in Iowa. For goats, either ear tags or tattoos that comply with 9 CFR 79.2 will be considered official identification in Iowa.

**64.202(1) Sheep—official identification required.** Sheep required to be officially identified include:

- a. All sexually intact sheep, unless specifically excluded in these rules;
- b. All sexually intact sheep for exhibition;
- c. All sheep over 18 months of age;
- d. All sheep residing in noncompliant flocks;
- e. All exposed, suspect, positive and high-risk sheep; and
- f. Sexually intact sheep of any age imported into Iowa, except as noted in 64.202(2).

**64.202(2) Sheep—official identification not required.** Sheep that do not require official identification include:

- a. Sheep under 18 months of age originating from outside the state of Iowa moving into an approved terminal feedlot, and any sheep under 18 months of age moving directly to slaughter;
- b. Wether sheep for exhibition, unless over 18 months of age; and
- c. Sheep moved for grazing or similar management reasons provided that the sheep are moved from a premises owned or leased by the owner of the sheep to another premises owned or leased by the owner of the sheep.

**64.202(3) Goats—official identification required.** Goats that require official identification include:

- a. Sexually intact goats that are registered, are used for exhibition, or have resided on the same premises with or been commingled with sheep, excluding limited contact;
- b. All goats residing in noncompliant flocks; and
- c. All exposed, suspect, positive and high-risk goats.

**64.202(4) Goats—official identification not required.** Goats that do not require official identification include:

- a. Goats under 18 months of age originating from outside the state of Iowa moving into an approved terminal feedlot, and any goats under 18 months of age moving directly to slaughter;
- b. Wether goats for exhibition;
- c. Goats raised and maintained apart from sheep and used exclusively for meat and fiber production;
- d. Pet goats raised and maintained apart from sheep and not registered or used for exhibition;
- e. Dairy goats raised and maintained apart from sheep and not registered or used for exhibition; and
- f. Goats moved for grazing or similar management reasons provided that the goats are moved from a premises owned or leased by the owner of the goats to another premises owned or leased by the owner of the goats.

NOTE: Official identification requirements for goats will become identical to those for sheep 90 days following the disclosure of a case of scrapie in Iowa goats that cannot be attributed to exposure to sheep.