

1721.0450 IMPORTATION OF SHEEP OR GOATS.

Subpart 1. **Requirement for official identification.** Goats or sheep imported into Minnesota must be identified with official identification except as provided in items A to D:

A. goats or sheep less than 18 months of age that are going directly to slaughter at a slaughtering establishment having federal inspection;

B. restricted-movement feeder animals that are moved to a state-federal approved livestock market that restricts the sale of sheep and goats without official identification to slaughter channels in a manner approved by the board;

C. restricted-movement feeder animals that are moved to a terminal feedlot when accompanied by a board-issued permit; or

D. goats or sheep moved for grazing or similar management reasons if the goats or sheep are moved from a premises owned or leased by the owner of the goats or sheep to another premises owned or leased by the owner of the goats or sheep and the goats or sheep are not commingled with goats or sheep from other flocks.

Subp. 2. **Requirement for certificate of veterinary inspection.** Goats or sheep imported into the state must be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection issued by an accredited veterinarian except as provided in items A and B:

A. goats or sheep going directly to slaughter at a slaughtering establishment having federal inspection; or

B. goats or sheep originating from a farm of origin in an adjacent state and consigned to a state-federal approved livestock market.

Subp. 3. **Contents of certificate of veterinary inspection.** If official identification is required, the certificate of veterinary inspection must show the individual official identification number of each animal except:

A. officially identified goats and sheep moving directly to slaughter if the certificate indicates the animals are scrapie-tagged and for slaughter only; or

B. officially identified feeder animals that are being moved to a terminal feedlot if the certificate indicates the animals are scrapie-tagged and that the animals are for feeding purposes only.

Subp. 4. **Requirement for import permit.** A permit must be obtained prior to importation of the following:

A. a restricted-movement feeder animal that is being moved to a terminal feedlot as described in subpart 1, item C;

B. goats or sheep from a flock that is currently under quarantine; or

C. goats or sheep from a flock that is currently designated as an exposed flock, as defined in Code of Federal Regulations, title 9, part 79.1.

Subp. 5. **Prohibited imports.** No goat or sheep that is currently designated as a scrapie-positive, suspect, or high-risk animal as defined in Code of Federal Regulations, title 9, part 79.1, or that is from a noncompliant flock as defined in Code of Federal Regulations, title 9, part 79.1, may be imported into the state.

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