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## **Approval of Goat Registry Tattoos for Use in the Scrapie Flock Certification Program (SFCP)**

Associations that register goats may use tattoos as official identification for goats enrolled in the SFCP, if the following conditions are met:

- A. Each tattoo contains a unique premises identification number assigned by the registry and a unique individual-animal identification number.
- B. The registry has provided the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) with a letter indicating that the registry:
  - 1. uses the required type of tattoo; and
  - 2. will, upon request, provide APHIS with information that will allow any association-registered goat to be traced to its flock of origin.

APHIS has approved the use of registry tattoos as official identification for the SFCP from the following organizations: the American Boer Goat Association, the American Dairy Goat Association, the American Goat Society, the American Kiko Goat Association, the Cashmere Goat Registry, the International Boer Goat Association, the International Fainting Goat Association, the Miniature Silky Fainting Goat Association, the Myotonic Goat Registry, the National Pygmy Goat Association, the Nigerian Dwarf Goat Association, the Pedigree International, the Pygora Breeders Association, the National Miniature Goat Association, and the U.S. Boer Goat Association.