



Main elements on identification of sheep and goats under the new Animal Health Law

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Basics on new Animal Health Law: timeframe

- *Regulation (EU) No 2016/429*
- *Adopted: 9 March 2016*
- *Published in OJ: 31 March 2016*
- *Will apply as of: 21 April 2021*
- *Key delegated and implementing acts to be adopted by 20 April 2019*

Traceability requirements for sheep and goats

MS traceability system shall include the following elements:

- ✓ the means to identify animals individually or in groups;
- ✓ movement document when animals are moved with MS;
- ✓ up-to-date records in establishment;
- ✓ a computer database of ovine and caprine



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Interaction of different acts

Animal Health Law

- ✓ each identified by a physical means of ID
- ✓ movement document within MS
- ✓ operators transmit movement information to a computer database

Delegated act on identification

Physical means of
identification

Content of movement
document

Computer database

Implementing act on identification

- ✓ Technical specifications for physical means of ID
- ✓ Configuration of animal ID
- ✓ Time periods for applying physical means of ID
- ✓ Time periods for reporting to computer database
- ✓ Removal and replacement of physical means of ID



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- Basic rule:
 - **Slaughter animals <12 months old, batch or individual ID, at least:**

Within MS



Directly to another MS slaughterhouse



- **Animals >12 months old, only individual ID:**

Populations with small ears



OR



OR



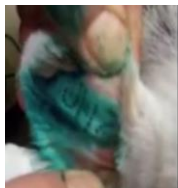
OR





- *Exemptions and special rules:*

- **within MS:**



- **animals kept in zoos or for cultural, scientific or hobby purposes- permitted by MS**



OR



- **MS with low population within its territory:**

- ✓ Ovine+caprine <600 000
- ✓ Caprine <160 000



OR





Movement document*: within MS

- ✓ Individual animal ID or birth holding ID
- ✓ Type of E-identifier and its location
- ✓ Origin and destination holding ID
- ✓ Total number of animals
- ✓ Date of departure
- ✓ Transporter ID
- ✓ Means of transport ID

** If all the data are in a computer database, no movement document required*



Movement document: animals destined to assembly holding

- MS may derogate the operators of dispatch holding to record on movement document the individual animal ID if:
 - Operator of assembly holding have access to the computer database;
 - Operator of assembly holding record on behalf of the operator of dispatch holding the moved animals individual ID directly in a computer database; and
 - Recording of animal ID is done within 48 hours of the time of departure of the consignment.



Computer database:

- ✓ Holding where animals are kept:
 - ✓ Holding ID
 - ✓ Name and address of the operator

- ✓ For each movement of animals:
 - ✓ Total nr of animals
 - ✓ Origin or destination ID
 - ✓ Date of arrival or departure

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Thank you for your attention!