



New Mexico Livestock Board

Movement and Shipping Requirements for SHEEP AND GOATS

To comply with New Mexico Livestock Board Statutes and Rules the following requirements apply to SHEEP and GOATS:

1) Interstate Movement of SHEEP AND GOATS INTO NEW MEXICO FROM ANOTHER STATE will require:

- **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI, "Health Certificate")** issued by an accredited veterinarian within 30 days of entry into the State. (21.32.4.12 NMAC)
- **Effective May 2023**

*Any livestock (equine, bovine, porcine, caprine, ovine, or cervidae) interstate movements **into** New Mexico from a county where vesicular stomatitis has been diagnosed in the last **fourteen (14) days**, or from a county that has livestock quarantined for vesicular stomatitis, shall be accompanied by an Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (ICVI), dated within the **fourteen (14) days** before entry, with the following veterinary verification statement:*

"All animals identified on this certificate of veterinary inspection were inspected and found to be free from clinical signs of vesicular stomatitis."

- **An entry permit number** issued by the NMLB prior to entry. (NMAC 21.32.4.12) **NOTE:** Permit number should be recorded on the CVI. Please contact the NMLB permit line for an entry permit (800) 432-6889.
- **All sexually-intact animals, and wethers 18 months of age and older must have USDA scrapie identification tags.** (NMAC 21.32.2.8)
 - The USDA flock number and individual tag numbers shall be recorded on the CVI.
 - All sexually intact sheep and goats, regardless of age and commercial wethers 18 months and older.
 - All sexually intact sheep and goats, regardless of age, and wethers 18 months and older for show, exhibition including rodeos, slaughter and upon transfer of ownership.
 - Only registered breeding goats may utilize a legible breed registry tattoo with supporting documentation (breed registry certificate), in lieu of a USDA scrapie tag.
 - All sheep and goats regardless of age destined for sale through a New Mexico public livestock auction market. (NMAC 21.32.4.17)
- The CVI must include a statement by the issuing veterinarian that the animals are free of: scabies, contagious ovine ecthyma (soremouth) and foot rot; AND statements that the animals have not been exposed to Bluetongue within 30 days of entry, and that breeding rams have been examined and no clinical indications of Epididymitis were palpated.
- For all breeding sheep entering NM, and all sheep entering NM for grazing or to feedlot the CVI must include a statement by the issuing veterinarian that "The sheep originate from a flock in which scrapie has not been diagnosed in the last five (5) years and has not been identified as a trace or source flock and there is no evidence of exposure to scrapie". The owner or his agent shall sign his name under the statement. Sheep directly to slaughter are exempt from this statement. (NMSA 77-8-3; 21.32.4.12 NMAC)
- Upon arrival into New Mexico, the imported sheep/goats must have a **Form 1** import inspection conducted by an NMLB brand inspector or livestock inspector. (NMSA 77-8-3, NMSA 77-8-4; 21.32.4.12 NMAC)

- **Interstate movement of SHEEP & GOATS out of New Mexico to another state will require at a minimum:**
- **An export inspection and NMLB Form 1 or Form 1A** issued by an NMLB livestock or brand inspector. (NMSA 77-9-31, NMAC 21.32.3.9)
- **Must meet all entry requirements of the receiving state. PLEASE NOTE: The NM owner or their veterinarian should check with the State Veterinarian's Office in the state of destination for the most current entry requirements before movement.**

- **Intrastate Movement of SHEEP & GOATS WITHIN THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO and crossing inspection district boundaries will require at a minimum:**
- All sheep and goats moving from **one livestock district to another livestock district** must have a NM registered brand and an in state move inspection **Form 1 or Form 1A** issued by an NMLB brand inspector or livestock inspector. Sheep and goats bearing legal NM brand may move to a NM licensed livestock auction market under a permit issued by the market (Form X), to be inspected at the market.
(21.32.2.8.C NMAC)
- All sexually intact sheep and goats, regardless of age and wethers 18 months and older must have a permanent official identification device or a permanent method approved by the USDA, e.g., a USDA scrapie tag.
- This applies to sheep and goats moving between livestock districts or moving from one premises to another within the livestock district.
- This applies to sheep and goats upon transfer of ownership, exhibition or transport to a New Mexico livestock auction market.
(NMSA 77-2-7.2; 21.32.2.8.D NMAC)

- **Intrastate Movement of SHEEP & GOATS WITHIN THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO** and within the borders of a single inspection district will require at a minimum:
- Proof of ownership, typically the owners brand or a bill of sale. (NMAC 21.32.3.8)