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Rule 901:1-13-04 Identification.

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(A) Animals shipped into or out of Ohio shall be identified by one of the following means:

(1) Official ear tags which are:

(a) Approved for use in animals participating in a scrapie flock certification program; or

(b) Approved by USDA, APHIS for use in the scrapie eradication program.

(2) Legible tattoos that have been:

(a) Approved by USDA, APHIS as an assigned flock identification for use in the scrapie eradication program and accompanied by an owner/hauler statement; or

(b) Recorded in the record book of an animal registry association when the animal is accompanied by a certificate of registration from the association.

(3) USDA approved electronic implants; or

(4) USDA backtags used on animals moving directly to slaughter and with written permission from the chief of the animal health division within the Ohio department of agriculture and the Ohio area veterinarian in charge, USDA APHIS VS.

(B) Upon change of ownership, an animal shall be identified by one of the means listed in paragraphs (A)(1) to (A)(3) of this rule unless the animal is less than eighteen months old moving in a slaughter channel.