Cattle, Swine, and Captive Cervid herd managers can order USDA Official ID tags using their farm PIN. Official ID is best applied at the farm of origin. Examples of USDA Official ID for these species are shown below:

The following vendors* carry USDA compliant tags for Cattle, Swine and Captive Cervids:

- ALLFLEX TAGS (800) 909-TAGS (8247)   www.allflexusa.com
- Valley Vet Supply (800) 419-9524   www.valleyvet.com
- Cattletags.com (800) 909-8247   www.cattletags.com
- QC Supply  (800) 433-6340   www.qcsupply.com
- Jeffers Livestock (800) 533-3377   www.jefferspet.com
- PBS Animal Health (800) 321-0235   www.pbsanimalhealth.com
- NASCO   (800) 558-9595   www.enasco.com

* NOT A COMPLETE LIST

All sheep and goats are part of the mandatory USDA Scrapie program and must use official scrapie tags to identify these species. Sheep and goat owners will need a Scrapie Flock ID Number to order these official tags. To receive a scrapie flock ID, call the USDA District 1 office at (508) 363-2290. There is no fee for a flock ID.

In 2020, new scrapie program registrants are eligible to receive 20 free visual-only tags. You will use your flock ID to order more tags as needed. If you would like to purchase your own electronic scrapie tags, you will also need a PIN. Please see the DACF brochure “Premises Identification Number FAQ” for more information.

Examples of USDA scrapie tags are shown below:

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With a Flock ID, small ruminant producers can order USDA Scrapie program compliant tags (official ID) from the following suggested vendors*:

Shearwell Data USA (320) 760-4696
www.shearwell.com

Premier 1 Supplies LLC (800) 282-6631
www.premier1supplies.com

ALLFLEX TAGS (833) 727-2743
www.allflexusa.com

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Some microchips are also approved as official ID for sheep and goats. These can be purchased through the following vendors and require the purchaser to have a Flock ID and PIN:

Alliance ID, USA (800) 434-2843
www.microchipidsystems.com

EZid, LLC (800) 330-3943
www.EZidAvid.com

Owners of Breed Registered Goats may use their breed registration identification method as USDA official ID by following these rules:

- Registered tattoos must be legible
- Registered tattoos must match the registration paperwork
- A copy of the breed registration paperwork must always accompany the animal during transportation and on exhibition

For more information about approved official identification devices and federal program regulations, please reference the following sources:

USDA Animal Disease Traceability:

USDA Scrapie Eradication Program:

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HELPFUL HINTS TO PURCHASE USDA COMPLIANT TAGS

❖ RFID TAGS (840 TAGS)
❖ SCRAPIE FLOCK TAGS
❖ MICROCHIPS