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16-89-050 Scrapie source flocks. [Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040. WSR 02-24-042, § 16-89-050, filed 12/3/02, effective 1/3/03; WSR 99-09-026, § 16-89-050, filed 4/15/99, effective 5/16/99.] Repealed by WSR 08-13-100, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW.

16-89-060 Movement and disposition of restricted animals. [Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040. WSR 99-09-026, § 16-89-060, filed 4/15/99, effective 5/16/99.] Repealed by WSR 08-13-100, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW.

16-89-070 Importation of exposed, suspect and high risk animals. [Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040. WSR 99-09-026, § 16-89-070, filed 4/15/99, effective 5/16/99.] Repealed by WSR 08-13-100, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW.

16-89-080 Reporting scrapie. [Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040. WSR 99-09-026, § 16-89-080, filed 4/15/99, effective 5/16/99.] Repealed by WSR 08-13-100, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW.

16-89-100 Indemnification. [Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040. WSR 02-24-042, § 16-89-100, filed 12/3/02, effective 1/3/03; WSR 99-09-026, § 16-89-100, filed 4/15/99, effective 5/16/99.] Amended and decodified by WSR 08-13-100, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW. Recodified as § 16-89-013.

16-89-110 Cleaning and disinfection. [Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040. WSR 99-09-026, § 16-89-110, filed 4/15/99, effective 5/16/99.] Repealed by WSR 08-13-100, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW.

**WAC 16-89-010 Definitions.** In addition to the definitions found in RCW 16.36.005, the following definitions apply to this chapter:

"APHIS" means the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

"Department" means the Washington state department of agriculture.

"Director" means the director of agriculture or the director's authorized representative.

"Flock" means a number of animals of sheep or goat species that are kept, fed and herded together, and have single or multiple ownership. The term "flock" is interchangeable with the term "herd" and applies to purebred and commercial sheep and goats.

"High risk animal" means any female genetically susceptible exposed animal. The female offspring of a scrapie-positive female animal or any female genetically less susceptible exposed animal that the designated scrapie epidemiologist (with the concurrence of the USDA area veterinarian in charge, state veterinarian, regional scrapie epidemiologist, and National Scrapie Program coordinator) determines to be a potential risk based on the epidemiology of the flock, including genetics of the positive sheep, the prevalence of scrapie in the flock, any history of recurrent infection, or other characteristics.

"Official identification" means an identification mark or device approved by APHIS for use in the scrapie eradication program. Examples include, but are not limited to, electronic devices, official ear tags, and legible official registry tattoos.

"Scrapie" means a transmissible spongiform encephalopathy that is a fatal, nonfebrile, transmissible, insidious, degenerative disease affecting the central nervous system of sheep and goats.

"Scrapie exposed animal" means any animal that has been in the same flock at the same time within the previous sixty months as a scrapie positive animal, excluding limited contacts, as identified in the *Scrapie Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules*, effective June 1, 2005.

"Scrapie Flock Certification Program" means a national voluntary program for classification of flocks relative to scrapie.

"USDA" means the United States Department of Agriculture.

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**WAC 16-89-012 Quarantine.** Sheep or goats that are infected or suspected of being infected with an infectious or communicable disease after a positive official test, or other probable cause as determined by the director, will be quarantined as provided under RCW 16.36.010. If owners refuse to allow the department to test for diseases provided for in this chapter, all sheep and goats on the premises will be regarded as a menace to the health of livestock, and the premises on which they are kept will be immediately quarantined and no animals or products of these animals may be removed from the premises.

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**WAC 16-89-013 Indemnification.** (1) As provided for under RCW 16.36.096, subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for

this specific purpose, owners, individuals, partnerships, corporations or other legal entities whose animals have been slaughtered or destroyed by order of the director may be eligible for indemnification in an amount not to exceed seventy-five percent of the appraised or salvage value of the animal ordered slaughtered or destroyed.

(2) Indemnity payments will be paid only to an owner of sheep or goats that were born in the state of Washington or were imported into the state in compliance with existing Washington state statutes and rules. Payment of indemnity does not apply to animals belonging to the federal government or any of its agencies, this state or any of its agencies, or any municipal corporation. Indemnity may not be paid on animals eligible for federal indemnity payments.

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## SCRAPIE

**WAC 16-89-015 Scrapie program standards.** (1) In addition to the rules adopted in this chapter, the Washington state department of agriculture adopts the procedures and methods of the *Scrapie Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules*, effective June 1, 2005, and Control of Scrapie, Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 54 and Scrapie in Sheep and Goats, Part 79 as revised January 1, 2006. Copies of these documents are on file at the Washington Department of Agriculture, Animal Services Division, 1111 Washington Street, Olympia, Washington 98504 and are available for public inspection.

(2) The *Scrapie Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules* may be found on the internet at: [http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\\_health/animal\\_diseases/scrapie/downloads/umr\\_scrapie.pdf](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/animal_diseases/scrapie/downloads/umr_scrapie.pdf).

(3) Title 9 C.F.R., Parts 54 and 79 may be found on the internet at: [http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx\\_06/9cfrv1\\_06.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_06/9cfrv1_06.html).

[Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 08-13-100, § 16-89-015, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040. WSR 02-24-042, § 16-89-015, filed 12/3/02, effective 1/3/03; WSR 99-09-026, § 16-89-015, filed 4/15/99, effective 5/16/99.]

**WAC 16-89-022 Scrapie identification of sheep and goats.** (1) All sheep that are placed into commerce must have official scrapie program identification.

(2) All goats that are commingled with or exposed to sheep must have official scrapie program identification.

### Exemptions

(3) Official scrapie program identification is not required for:

(a) Sheep or goats less than eighteen months of age that are moving directly to a slaughter facility or to an approved terminal feedlot;

(b) Wether goats and low-risk commercial goats (goats that are not registered or exhibited; goats that are not used for milk production; and goats that have not commingled with or have not been exposed to high-risk animals);

(c) Sheep or goats that do not enter commerce and never leave their premises of origin;

(d) Sheep or goats moved for grazing or other management purposes without change of ownership.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 08-13-100, § 16-89-022, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040. WSR 02-24-042, § 16-89-022, filed 12/3/02, effective 1/3/03.]

**WAC 16-89-090 Destruction and disposal of scrapie infected animals or flocks.** (1) As provided for under RCW 16.36.090, the director may order the slaughter or destruction of animals or flocks determined by the director or representatives of USDA to be infected with scrapie.

(2) The disposal of condemned scrapie infected animals and flocks will be under the direction of the director and the means of disposal will be other than by offering for human or animal consumption.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 08-13-100, § 16-89-090, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040. WSR 99-09-026, § 16-89-090, filed 4/15/99, effective 5/16/99.]

**WAC 16-89-120 Concealing the disease.** It is unlawful for any owner to fail to report or to attempt to conceal the existence of any transmittable spongiform encephalopathy such as the disease scrapie.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040. WSR 99-09-026, § 16-89-120, filed 4/15/99, effective 5/16/99.]

## BRUCELLOSIS

**WAC 16-89-150 Brucellosis testing for sheep and goat dairies.**

(1) All sheep and goats whose raw milk or raw milk products are offered for sale must be from a flock or herd that is negative to a serological test for brucellosis within the previous twelve months. Any additions to the flock or herd must be tested negative for brucellosis within thirty days before introduction into the flock or herd.

(2) All raw milk and raw milk products from animals that test positive for brucellosis are prohibited from sale and must be destroyed.

(3) All sheep and goats whose raw milk or raw milk products are offered for sale must have official identification.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 08-13-100, § 16-89-150, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08.]

**WAC 16-89-160 Brucellosis quarantine and release.** (1) Any herd of goats in which brucellosis reactors are found will be quarantined. Positive or reactor classification shall be based on standards listed in USDA Brucellosis Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules, effective October 1, 2003. The department maintains a copy of this document for public inspection. You may also find the information on the internet at: [www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\\_health/animal\\_diseases/brucellosis/downloads/umr\\_bovine\\_bruc.pdf](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/animal_diseases/brucellosis/downloads/umr_bovine_bruc.pdf).

(2) The quarantine will be released when the entire quarantined herd has passed two consecutive negative blood tests without reactors. The first test must be not less than thirty days following removal of all reactors from the herd. The second test must not be less than ninety days nor more than one year following the date of the previous test.

(3) Goats that test positive to the brucellosis test must not be sold or offered for sale except for immediate slaughter.

(4) Quarantined goats may only be moved when accompanied by an official USDA form number VS1-27.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 08-13-100, § 16-89-160, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08.]

#### **Q FEVER**

**WAC 16-89-170 Q fever testing requirements for sheep and goat dairies.** (1) All sheep and goats whose raw milk or raw milk products are offered for sale must be from a herd that has tested negative for Q fever within the previous twelve months. Q fever is caused by the coccobacillus *Coxiella burnetii* and is highly infectious to humans.

(a) Any additions to the herd must be tested negative for Q fever within thirty days before introduction into the herd.

(b) Herds must be tested negative annually to maintain the dairy's raw milk license.

(c) The state veterinarian shall direct all testing procedures in accordance with state and federal standards for animal disease eradication.

(d) All raw milk and raw milk products from animals that test positive for Q fever are prohibited from sale and must be destroyed or pasteurized.

(2) All sheep and goats whose raw milk or raw milk products are offered for sale must have official identification.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 08-13-100, § 16-89-170, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08.]

#### **TUBERCULOSIS**

**WAC 16-89-180 Tuberculosis testing for goat dairies.** (1) All goats whose raw milk or raw milk products are offered for sale must be from a herd that has tested negative for tuberculosis within the previous twelve months. Any additions to the herd must be tested negative for tuberculosis within sixty days before introduction into the herd.

(2) All raw milk and raw milk products from animals that test positive for tuberculosis are prohibited from sale and must be destroyed.

(3) All goats whose raw milk or raw milk products are offered for sale must have official identification.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 08-13-100, § 16-89-180, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08.]

**WAC 16-89-190 Tuberculosis quarantine and release.** (1) Any herd of goats in which tuberculosis reactors are found will be quarantined. The sale or removal of any animal out of a quarantined herd is prohibited except for removal for immediate slaughter.

(2) Herds in which no gross lesions reactors occur and in which no evidence of *Mycobacterium bovis* infection has been disclosed may be released from quarantine after a sixty-day negative caudal fold tuberculosis retest of the entire herd. Herds containing one or more suspects to the caudal fold tuberculosis test will be quarantined until the suspect animals are:

(a) Retested by the comparative-cervical tuberculosis test within ten days of the caudal fold injection; or

(b) Retested by the comparative-cervical tuberculosis test after sixty days and the tuberculosis status of the suspect has been determined; or

(c) Shipped under permit directly to slaughter in accordance with state or federal laws and regulations and the tuberculosis status of the suspect has been determined.

(3) Herds in which *Mycobacterium bovis* infection has been confirmed and the herd has not been depopulated will remain under quarantine and must pass two tuberculin tests at intervals of at least sixty days and one additional test after six months from the previous negative test. Following the release from quarantine, these herds will also be subject to five annual tests on the entire herd.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 16.36.040 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 08-13-100, § 16-89-190, filed 6/18/08, effective 7/19/08.]