



Goat Entry Requirements

Interstate Livestock Entry Permit ([3 CCR §760.5](#))

California requires an **Interstate Livestock Entry Permit** for **all** goats moving into the state.

Exemptions:

- *Goats less than 18 months of age that are moving within an approved slaughter channel*

To obtain an Interstate Livestock Entry Permit, please contact the **Animal Health Branch (AHB) permit line at (916) 900-5052** before moving goats into the state. Permits are valid for 15 days after being issued.

Certificate of Veterinary Inspection ([3 CCR §760.5](#))

California requires a **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)** for sexually intact goats issued within 30 days before movement into the state with the statement, **“The animals are not scrapie-positive or suspect or from a scrapie non-compliant flock.”**

Exemptions:

- *Goats moving within an approved slaughter channel*
- *Goats moving for grazing without change of ownership*

**Animal Health Branch Permit Line:
(916) 900-5052**

If you are transporting livestock into California with an electronic CVI, please print and present a hard copy to the Inspector at the Border Protection Station.

For California entry requirements of other livestock and animals, please visit the following:
[Information About Livestock and Pet Movement](#) or [Animal Health Entry Requirement Interactive Website](#)

For information on Scrapie, please visit:
[Animal Health Branch Scrapie Information Eradicate Scrapie!](#)
[USDA Scrapie Disease Information](#)

Official Identification (ID)

Pursuant to ([3 CCR §760.5](#))

California requires Official Identification (ID) for **all** goats. The ID must be written on, or included on a list attached to the CVI. Official ID may be listed as a range of numbers.

Exemptions:

- *Goats less than 18 months of age that are moving within an approved slaughter channel*
- *Non-exhibition castrated goats less than 18 months of age*
- *Goats moving for grazing without change of ownership*

Acceptable forms of official ID for goats include:

- Official eartags
- Breed registration tattoos
- USDA (ISO) compliant microchip

See CDFA’s Fact Sheet [“Sheep & Goats - Official Identification Options”](#) for detailed information on options for official ID for sheep and goats.

Note: California’s entry requirements will change in the future based on recent changes in federal regulations. Please contact the AHB permit line at (916) 900-5052 for more information.



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