

## ADT Report Nov. 2020

There is no new information to report in animal disease traceability.

Below is a summary of the 2019 rule change to the identification requirements for goats:

- Implants must be located between the skin and the cartilage of the back side of the ear near the base or between the skin and the bone of tail near the base of the tail. The withers/shoulders have NEVER been an official location even though a lot of us have used this location.
- The animal must be tattooed with a legible “E” if the implant is at the base of the ear, or an “ET” if the implant is at the base of the tail.
- The animal must be accompanied by an implant reader.
- The implant number must be an Animal Identification Number (840-style) issued to the flock of origin.
- Registered animals must be accompanied by a registration certificate in the name of the current owner where the implant number has been recorded on the certificate.

It is recommended by the NPGA that the “E” or “ET” tattoo to be placed in the right ear and just above the registry tattoo if that is present. This is a NPGA recommendation and is NOT part of the federal rule. If you have already tattooed animals in a different location you are still compliant.