

ESTONIA

Identification and registration of ovine and caprine animals

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The model of the means and the method of identification of ovine and caprine animals

All sheep and goats on a holding born after 9 July 2005 shall be identified within six months from birth and in any case before the animal leaves the holding on which it was born. Sheep and goats shall be identified with two approved eartags or one eartag and a tattoo, mark on the pastern (for goats only) or electronic identifiers. Animals born before 9 July 2005 are identified by a single eartag, attached to the right ear.

The eartag of a sheep is yellow, plastic, two-piece eartag. The eartag of a goat is red. The eartag must contain the two-letter country code denoting Estonia "EE" and the unique individual registry number of the animal consisting of ten digits. On the eartag, the logo of the Animal Recording Centre and the country code "EE" are printed in the first row, the first five numbers of the registry number consisting of ten figures are printed in the second row and the following five numbers are printed in the third row. Where the marking has been lost or has become illegible, a replacement eartag bearing identical registry number shall be applied.

- **Model of the eartag used for identification of ovine animals**



- ① The logo of the Animal Recording Centre
- ② Estonian country code "EE"
- ③ Individual registry number

Animal registry number shown on the plastic eartag shall be read in the following sequence: "EE0001519426".

- ***Model of the eartag used for identification of caprine animals***



Animal registry number shown on the plastic eartag shall be read in the following sequence “EE0000057912”.

<u>Column</u>	<u>Contents</u>
1.	Date of birth
2.	Identification code of the animal / Herd book number
3.	Gender
4.	Breed
5.	Name, identification code and breed of the sire
6.	Name and identification code of the dam / reproduction characteristics
7.	Registration number of the holding
8.	Results of weighing
9.	Date and reason of moving out of the herd / into the herd
10.	Data of the selling / buying (name, address, registry code), comments

The movement document

Estonia is granting a derogation from a movement document as a centralised computer database is operational. Each time an animal is moved, the keeper of animals shall within a period of seven days provide the central database with the details of the movement.

Detailed table of sheep breeds

BREED CODE	BREED NAME	
T	Eesti tumedapealine	Estonian Darkheaded
S	Saksa mustapealine	German Blackheaded
F	Soome lammas	Finnish landrace
I	Ildefrans	Ile-de-France
D	Dala	Dala
B	Belgia lammas	Belgian
SUF	Suffolk	Suffolk
DOR	Dorset	Dorset
CC	Islandi lammas	Icelandic
R	Ristand	Crossbreed
X	Teksel	Texel
O	Oksforddaun	Oxford
V	Eesti valgepealine	Estonian Whiteheaded
L	Läti tumedapealine	Latvian Darkheaded

Detailed table of goat breeds

BREED CODE	BREED NAME	
EK	Eesti kits	Estonian local
N	Norra kits	Norwegian
R	Ristand	Crossbreed
S	Saane	Saanen