

The Canadian Sheep Identification Program

The Canadian Sheep Identification Program (CSIP) is a *mandatory*, industry-led initiative to develop a trace back system that will lead to a full-scale traceability system.

ALL sheep and lambs must bear an approved CSIP ear tag before they leave any premises.

It is illegal to transport animals not bearing an approved tag.

Sheep Producers Are Required To:

- Apply an approved CSIP ear tag to all sheep and lambs born on your premises before they leave the farm and ensure that all sheep and lambs leaving your farm still have an approved CSIP tag in the ear.
- All animals purchased must bear an approved CSIP ear tag. If a tag is subsequently lost, you must immediately apply a new approved CSIP ear tag and record the identification number with as much information about the origin of the animal as is known.
- Approved CSIP ear tags must not be removed from any live animal or tampered with for any reason and must not be re-used. If an animal dies on your property, the tag should be removed, saved and recorded with the cause of death if known.

The CSIP tagging system is monitored by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) and anyone who does not comply may face legal consequences.

APPROVED CSIP TAGS:

YELLOW Shearwell Radio Frequency Identification Tag:



YELLOW Allfex Radio Frequency Identification Button Tag:

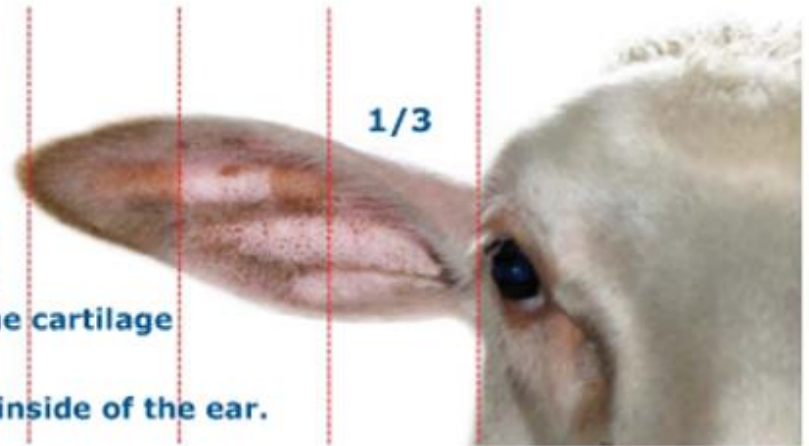


TO ORDER TAGS:

Call - Canadian Cooperative Wool Growers at 1-800-567-3693

For best tag retention follow manufacturer's directions:

1. Use the correct tag applicator supplied by the manufacturer.
2. Tags should be applied in the first third of the ear, close to the head.
3. Tags should be applied between the cartilage (ribs) of the ear.
4. The transponder should be on the inside of the ear.



For best RFID tag reading:

1. Animals should have only one RFID ear tag.
2. Apply RFID tag in the animal's right ear.

REMEMBER!

“The *RIGHT* TAG ... The *RIGHT* APPLICATOR ... The *RIGHT* EAR”

ALL CSIP RFID TAGS ARE YELLOW!