

**Proposed Rules
of the
Tennessee Department of Agriculture
Division of Regulatory Services**

**Chapter 0080-2-1
Health Requirements for Admission and
Transportation of Livestock and Poultry**

Presented herein are proposed amendments of Division of Regulatory Services, Department of Agriculture submitted pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated §4-5-202 in lieu of a rulemaking hearing. It is the intent of the Division of Regulatory Services, Department of Agriculture to promulgate these rules without a rulemaking hearing unless a petition requesting such hearing is filed within thirty (30) days of the publication date of the issue of the Tennessee Administrative Register in which the proposed amendments are published. Such petition to be effective must be filed with the Department of Agriculture, 440 Hogan Road, Nashville, Tennessee 37220, and the Department of State, 8th Floor, William R Snodgrass Tower, 312 8th Avenue North, Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0307, and must be signed by twenty-five (25) persons who will be affected by the amendments, or submitted by a municipality which will be affected by the amendments, or an association of twenty-five (25) or more members, or any standing committee of the General Assembly.

For a copy of the entire text of the proposed amendments, contact: Dr. Ronald B. Wilson, State Veterinarian, Department of Agriculture, P. O. Box 40627, Nashville, Tennessee, 37204, 615-837-5120.

The text of the proposed amendments is as follows:

Amendments

Rule 0080-2-1-.08 is amended by deleting the rule in its entirety and substituting the following language so that, as amended, the paragraph shall read:

0080-2-1-.08 SHEEP.

- (1) All sheep imported into or through Tennessee shall be accompanied by an official health certificate and be in compliance with 0080-2-1-.02, and Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 79.1 through 79.4.
- (2) All sheep that move within the state, with the exception of wethers under the age of 18 months that are produced for slaughter only, including for change of ownership, shows, fairs, expositions or slaughter shall be permanently, individually identified by a method approved in Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 79.1 through 79.4.

Authority: T.C.A. §§4-3-203 and 44-2-102.

Rule 0080-2-1-.09 is amended by deleting the rule in its entirety and substituting the following language so that, as amended, the paragraph shall read:

0080-2-1-.09 GOATS.

- (1) Goats imported into or through Tennessee shall be accompanied by an official health certificate and be in compliance with 0080-2-1-.02, and Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 79.1 through 79.4.
- (2) Goats imported into Tennessee for immediate slaughter to an approved slaughter establishment or to an approved livestock market for sale to a slaughter establishment shall only be required to have a transportation document and be in compliance with Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 79.1 through 79.4.
- (3) All registered breeding goats, goats that have been commingled with sheep, goats for exhibition and dairy goats that move within the state, including for change of ownership, shows, fairs, expositions or slaughter shall be permanently, individually identified by a method approved in Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 79.1 through 79.4.

Authority: T.C.A. §§4-3-203 and 44-2-102.

The proposed rules set out herein were properly filed in the Department of State on the 30th day of August, 2006, and pursuant to the instructions set out above, and in the absence of the filing of an appropriate petition calling for a rulemaking hearing, will be effective on the 30th day of December, 2006.