

RESTRICTIONS

It is prohibited to receive, or allow to be received, a bovine, ovine or cervid originating from Quebec, or a bovine originating from another Canadian province or territory which is not identified by at least one approved tag¹.

It is prohibited to receive an ovine originating from another Canadian province or territory which does not have both of its tags.

It is prohibited to send to Agri-Traçabilité Québec (ATQ) any inaccurate, illegible or incomplete information.

OBLIGATIONS

A slaughterhouse operator that receives an animal originating from Quebec or from another Canadian province or territory must send to ATQ, **within 7 days after the arrival of the animal**, the following information:

- its *stakeholder number* and the *slaughterhouse's premises number* (provided by ATQ) or its name and address;
- the tag number (RFID tag, dangle tag or "H of A" tag);
- the date of arrival of the animal;
- the *premises number* or the address of the animal's site of origin;
- the name of the former owner or custodian, and if unknown:
 - the name and address of the livestock carrier, the registration number of the vehicle and, if applicable, the registration number of the trailer or semi-trailer that was used to transport the animal;
- the indication regarding whether the animal is a bovine, an ovine or, in the case of a cervid, its species, (e.g.: red deer, wapiti, fallow deer, white-tailed deer, etc.);
- if the animal is a cervid, the number of the transportation permit (number obtained from the Canadian Food Inspection Agency);

The slaughterhouse operator may remove the tags from an animal that was slaughtered there.

EXCEPTIONS

A slaughterhouse operator may receive an animal:

- that does not bear any tags if the animal is coming directly from the USA;
- that has lost its tag or tags during transport and therefore is no longer identified.

In this case, the slaughterhouse operator must send **within 7 days after the arrival of the animal**, the following information:

- its *stakeholder number* (provided by ATQ), or its name and address;
- the date of arrival of the animal;
- the *premises number* or the address of the animal's site of origin;
- the name of the former owner or custodian;
- the name and address of the livestock carrier, the registration number of the vehicle and, if applicable, the registration number of the trailer or semi-trailer that was used to transport the animal;
- the indication regarding whether the animal is a bovine, an ovine or, in the case of a cervid, its species, (e.g.: red deer, wapiti, fallow deer, white-tailed deer, etc.);
- if the animal is a cervid, the number of the transportation permit (number obtained from the Canadian Food Inspection Agency).

All the supporting documents concerning the origin of the animal must be kept at the slaughterhouse for at least 10 years. Those documents must be filed in chronological order from the day that are received or drawn up and be shown to an inspector on request.

METHODS OF DATA TRANSMISSION TO ATQ

By phone: 1 866 270-4319
 By fax: 1 866 473-4033
 By e-mail: evenement@agri-tracabilite.qc.ca
 By mail: 555, boul. Roland-Therrien, Suite 050
 Longueuil (Quebec) J4H 4E8

¹ The regulations provide for different types of identification, depending on the animal or the origin of the animal:

- White-tailed deer: a dangle-type ear tag, delivered by ATQ;
- Other cervid species, bovine and ovine animals: two ear tags (RFID tag and dangle tag) ordered from ATQ;
- Cervids kept in a zoological garden or in a wildlife observation centre: one ear tag (RFID tag or dangle tag) ordered from ATQ, or a metallic tag marked "H of A" (for "Health of Animals") provided by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency.

NOTE:

In case of any discrepancy between the present text and the *Regulation respecting the Identification and Traceability of Certain Animal*, the legal text will prevail.