**GB Scrapie Monitoring Scheme**

As operated by SRUC Veterinary Services

Application for **SMS Qualifying Status**

Please note, this status is not applicable for flocks joining the scheme after 31/12/2021

**If you have already been following scheme rules for three or more years and wish to apply for Scrapie Monitored status please use the Registration form**

Please read the Scheme Rules and Notes for Guidance

To the Owner:

* Please keep a copy of this document
* Please send a copy to the Official Veterinarian (OV)
* Please send a copy to [psghs@sruc.ac.uk](mailto:PSGHS@sruc.ac.uk) , or post to:

SRUC Veterinary Services, Greycrook, St Boswells, TD6 0EQ

**Section A – Details of premises**

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| Name of flock/herd owner: |  |
| Full postal address: |  |
| Post Code: |  |
| CPH number: |  |
| Telephone: |  |
| Mobile: |  |
| Email: |  |
| Website: |  |
| Holding(s) where flock/herd is kept (if different from above) |  |
| Post Code: |  |
| CPH number: |  |
| Flock/Herd mark(s) |  |
| Breed(s) |  |

**Section B – Declaration by the \*owner/\*agent/\*keeper**

\*Delete as appropriate

I, …………………………………………………………………………………………… (insert name),

being the owner/agent in charge of the flock/herd detailed above do declare that a copy of the Rules and Conditions of the Scrapie Monitoring Scheme (SMS) has been made available to me via website **www.sheepandgoathealth.co.uk**.

I further declare that I wish to join the SMS and undertake to follow the rules of the scheme to achieve Controlled Risk status after a period of three years.

Stock numbers on joining the SMS:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Breed | 12 to 18 months age | | >18 months age | |
| Males | Females | Males | Females |
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1. In respect of the holding(s) above:
2. All fallen sheep/goats over the age of 18 months will be submitted for examination for scrapie in accordance with the scheme rules (see Rule 3).
3. At least once each year all animals on the holding(s) will be inspected by an Official Veterinarian (see Rule 1.6)
4. The sheep/goats on the holding(s) will be identified in conformity with national legislation; all animals will be individually identified and movements of all individual animals (both live and dead) on and off the holding(s) will be recorded (see Rule 4.1)
5. Ovine and caprine animals, with the exception of sheep certified under Scheme Rules as ARR/ARR prion protein genotype, will be introduced on to the holding only if they come from a holding which has either: a) SMS Controlled or Negligable Risk status (Rule 2.2) or b) SMS Qualifying status.
6. All animal in the flock/herd must be kept segregated from physical contact at all times with any animals of a lower SMS status.
7. Any suspect case of scrapie will be reported to APHA and the OV.
8. Farm boundaries must be adequate to prevent flocks and herds from straying onto or off the holding(s) and to prevent nose to nose contact with animals on other holdings.
9. I agree to abide by the Rules and Conditions of the Scrapie Monitoring Scheme notwithstanding the foregoing. If the holding(s) cease(s) to comply with the Scheme Rules, I will notify SRUC of this and surrender my certificate of application accordingly.
10. I have read and retained a copy of the Scheme Rules. I consent to my contact details (name, address, contact telephone number, breed) being shown on the Premium Sheep and Goat Health Scheme website (www.psghs.co.uk )

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| Signed: |  | | Status: | Owner/Manager/Agent/Other  (if other, specify) |
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| Date of application: | |  | | |

**Section C – Certificate of Official Veterinarian**

I, ……………………………………………………………………………………… MRCVS (insert name)

certify that the flock/herd on the above holding(s) has been under the care of an Official Veterinarian (OV) since ………………….. (insert date, see Rule 1.6)

1. I have explained the rules of the SMS and the Qualifying Status – Notes for Guidance to the owner/agent identified in Section B who to the best of my knowledge will be able to comply with the Rules and Conditions of the SMS.
2. Flocks/herds referred to on this application do not reside in buildings or on grazing with animals of lesser status.
3. If you suspect that an animal on the holding is affected with classical or atypical scrapie, this must be reported to APHA.
4. All sheep/goats are individually marked so as to allow the origin of all animals to be determined and all movements of individual animals on and off the holding(s) are recorded (see Rule 4.1)

**Authorised Official Veterinarian**

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| Signature | MRCVS |  | Address |  |
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| Name in BLOCK letters |  |  |  |  |
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| OV number |  |  |  |  |
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| Date |  |  | Telephone number |  |