

## SCRAPIE MONITORING SCHEME 2024

### Application for Renewal (to be used by existing SMS members only)

- ✓ Section A & B to be completed by flock owner, Section C to be completed by your Private Veterinary Practitioner
- ✓ Completed application should be submitted by the **30th November 2023**
- ✓ Send completed application to: Scrapie Section, TSE, Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, Johnstown Castle, Co. Wexford, Y35 PN52
- ✓ Payment of **€100** (Bank Details on pg 4)
- ✓ Keep a copy for your own records.

#### Section A – Owner and Premises

Owner name

Postal Address  Postcode:

Telephone Number:  Mobile:

Email:

Holding where flock/herd if kept (if different from above)

Flock/herd Number:  Date of Registration:

Total number of breeding sheep  Total number of breeding goats

Breed(s)  Breed(s)

If accepted into the SMS scheme, do you consent to have your name and contact details included on a list of members on the **Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine's (DAFM)** website?

YES / NO

## Section B – Declaration of Owner/Keeper of the Animals

I,

being the owner/agent in charge of the flock/herd detailed above, do declare that I will comply with the Scrapie Monitoring Scheme Rules and Conditions, and any amendments thereto. I confirm that these rules and conditions have been made available to me with this application form and via DAFM's Website at the address given in the footnote below.<sup>1</sup> I understand that failure to comply with these rules and conditions may result in the suspension or revocation of my membership.

I further declare that:

a) In respect of the holding above, that:

- all animals in the flock/herd are clinically inspected annually by a Private Veterinary Practitioner for signs of Scrapie;
- all animals are individually recorded in the flock register and there is documentary proof of all movement into and out of the farm;
- all sheep and goats have been permanently tagged for identification purposes and comply with all rules of the National Sheep Identification System or National Goat Identification System;
- animals, with the exception of sheep of the ARR/ARR prion protein genotype, are introduced onto the holding only if they come from a holding which complies with the requirements of the Scrapie Monitoring Scheme;
- no case of scrapie has been confirmed;
- Introduction of any embryos/semen is carried out in accordance with SMS regulations;
- all fallen sheep and goats over the age of 18 months have been submitted for examination for scrapie in accordance with the Scheme rules and all fallen sheep and goats were disposed of through the knackery system. The table below lists all over 18 month fallen animals presented for testing:

	Place of Disposal	Left Tag ID	Right Tag ID	Date of Disposal
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				

(Please enclose a separate sheet with disposal details if required)

(b) I agree to abide by the Rules and Conditions of the Scrapie Monitoring Scheme. If the holding ceases to comply with the Scheme rules, I will notify DAFM immediately.

Signed

Status

Owner/Manager/Agent/Other

Date

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.agriculture.gov.ie/animalhealthwelfare/animalidentificationmovement/scrapiemonitoringscheme>

## Section C – Certificate of Private Veterinary Practitioner

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** This form should be completed in full by a Private Veterinary Practitioner registered with the Veterinary Council of Ireland. **The date of inspection should be between 15th September and 28<sup>th</sup> November each calendar year.**

### ALL SHEEP AND GOATS ON THE HOLDING SHOULD BE INSPECTED

PVP Name:  Vet Code

Phone Numbers  Mobile:

Email:

I certify that:

- a) Ovine and caprine animals are permanently identified and records are maintained to enable them to be traced back to their holding of birth;
- b) All animals are individually recorded in the flock or herd register and there is documentary proof of all movements into and out of the holding;
- c) The farm records show that all sheep or goats moved onto the holding **since the last SMS inspection** have certified ARR/ARR status; **or** have only been introduced from holdings which have met the conditions of the SMS for at least the same period of time as the holding under inspection, **or** have **at least** equivalent scrapie risk status (negligible or controlled risk) to the holding under inspection; **or** comply with the requirements for animals which have spent time in a semen collection centre set out in the TSE Regulation 999/2001, Annex VIII, Chapter A, , 1.2, point (c)(iv), in the case of a negligible risk holding, and 1.3, point (c)(iv) in the case of a controlled risk holding;
- d) The farm records show that any ovine or caprine embryos, oocytes or semen introduced onto the holding since the last SMS inspection comply with the conditions set out in the TSE Regulation 999/2001, Annex VIII, Chapter A, 1.2, points (g) and (h), in the case of a negligible risk holding, and 1.3, points (g) and (h) in the case of a controlled risk holding;
- e) The farm records show that all sheep and goats which have died or been killed for reasons other than human consumption in the past year have been submitted to a dead animal collection centre for TSE sampling and subsequent TSE testing;
- f) A sample of 5 animals have had their tags read, and the numbers checked on the flock or herd register and on other records, to verify that conditions (a) to (c) above, where appropriate, have been fulfilled for those animals;
- g) The flock/herd referred to on this application do not reside in buildings or on grazing with animals of a lower scrapie status;
- h) At the time of my inspection there were  animals on the premises **showing clinical signs consistent with scrapie**. IF ANIMALS ARE SHOWING CLINICAL SIGNS CONSISTENT WITH SCRAPIE, I UNDERTAKE TO IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY DAFM.

Signature:

Postal Address  Postcode:

Date:

**Please return:**

- Application form signed and dated by both applicant and PVP

To: TSE Scrapie Section  
Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine  
Johnstown Castle  
Co. Wexford  
Y35 PN52

Phone Number: 053 9163437

Please tick method of payment below;

- Fee of €100 EFT  
 Fee of €100 Cheque/Postal Order

The Department's EFT Bank Details (Please include remittance referencing Scrapie Monitoring Scheme)

Bank Details :	Bank of Ireland, Main Street, Cavan.
Account Name:	BOI Accounts Receivable Account
Account Number:	17183210
Bank Sort Code:	90-32-93
IBAN NO:	IE21 BOFI 903293 17183210
BIC NO :	BOFIE2D

For Office Use only:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, SVI/VI am of the opinion that this animal keeper is compliant / is not compliant with the rules of the Scrapie Monitoring Scheme as contained in the Rules and Conditions and may become a member/retain member ship of the Scrapie Monitoring Scheme for the forthcoming year.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_