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## Draft Decree on the traceability of sheep and goat meat

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**4. Notification Number**

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**5. Title**

Draft Decree on the traceability of sheep and goat meat

**6. Products Concerned**

Traceability - sheep and goat meat

**7. Notification Under Another Act**



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## 8. Main Content

It shall be obligatory to mark the carcass with an individual slaughter number in ink suited to food. It shall be possible to trace the progress of products individually (linked to ear tagging) or by batch (batch homogenous by type of livestock, linked to the livestock number). After the abattoir, each time batches are brought together or separated, a record shall be made of the number arriving and leaving, in order to determine the link between batch numbers arriving and leaving.

When the meat is accompanied by information intended for the buyer, records of the numbers arriving and leaving the establishment will be required, as is the case with cattle. The information and the corresponding batch numbers must be indicated on a document accompanying the goods, which may be the label (as is the case for cattle). These procedures apply exclusively to operators established on French territory.

Key words: Traceability - sheep and goat meat

## 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

It is obligatory to identify sheep and goats. The French authorities feel that it is necessary for sheep and goat meat to be traceable from the live animal, through the slaughtering process and up to the point where the meat is sold to the end consumer.

## 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

a) Consumer Code, Article L 214-1.

## 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

## 12. Grounds for the Emergency

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## 13. Confidentiality

No

## 14. Fiscal measures

No

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