



Saskatchewan Assurance Systems Rebate Program For Goat Producers

What is the Saskatchewan Assurance Systems Producer Rebate Program?

The Assurance Systems Producer Rebate Program provides support to increase participation in biosecurity and animal welfare initiatives. The program will assist goat producers to meet and confirm observance to national standards or codes.

What does this mean to producers?

The program will assist goat producers to adopt new practices through education and awareness, veterinarian/technical expert assessments and equipment funding. Saskatchewan goat producers are able to receive assistance through the Canadian Agriculture Partnership (CAP) funding to assist in off-setting the cost of implementing good production practices to address animal welfare and biosecurity risks. To qualify for assistance a producer must:

- be a Saskatchewan producer 18 years of age or older
- demonstrate a minimum of \$15,000 gross farm income from all farm sources in Saskatchewan.
- have a Saskatchewan Premises Identification number
- complete the Canadian Agriculture Partnership (CAP) Assurance Program Goat Industry Biosecurity and Animal Welfare Training
- have an on-farm vet assessment completed by a licensed Saskatchewan veterinarian, which will provide a list of recommended equipment.
- receive a recommendation based on assessment findings from the Saskatchewan licensed veterinarian for the equipment
- purchase and install the eligible equipment as identified in the assessment
- Complete the Assurance Program Goat Rebate Application and submit with a copy of the assessment and paid invoices to the Ministry of Agriculture

What is, and how do I get a Premise Identification Number?

A PID number is a unique identifier made up of nine alpha numeric characters assigned to a premise. A premise is an area of land where animals are bred, kept, raised, displayed, assembled or disposed of. There is no cost associated with getting a PID number. Producers can apply online or by submitting a paper application. Visit <http://premisesid.saskatchewan.ca> to enroll online, or phone the Agriculture Knowledge Centre at 1-866-457-2377 for further information.

What is the Goat Industry Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Training?

The training addresses and anticipates potential animal welfare and biosecurity challenges facing the goat industry. The training examines all areas of production and outlines good production practices maximize animal care and reduce biosecurity risks.

How do I complete the Goat Industry Biosecurity and Animal Welfare Training

The Saskatchewan Sheep Development Board has been contracted by the Saskatchewan Goat Breeders Association to offer two training workshops annually to the Saskatchewan goat producers.

There is a registration fee for the training workshop to assist in covering the cost of workshop expenses.

Farm Assessment

Assessment of current biosecurity and animal welfare practices must be completed by a licensed Saskatchewan Veterinarian. Assessments can be completed for biosecurity and animal welfare by the same veterinarian or by two separate veterinarians. A recommendation from the veterinarian for the required equipment to assist in improving biosecurity and animal welfare management is required to receive equipment funding.

Application Form

Application forms are available on the Ministry of Agriculture website at:

<http://www.saskatchewan.ca/business/agriculture-natural-resources-and-industry/agribusiness-farmers-and-ranchers/canadian-agricultural-partnership-cap/risk-management/assurance-systems-programs/producer-rebate>.

or by calling 306-787-8079 to have a copy emailed.

What is Available To Producers?

Producers who have complete industry Animal Welfare and Biosecurity Training and a completed Assessment by a licensed veterinarian in Saskatchewan may receive:

- A equipment rebate funded at 50% to a maximum rebate of \$15,000.
- A assessment rebate funded at 50% to a maximum of \$1000 for a biosecurity and animal welfare assessment, this can include more than one assessment or follow-up assessment.

Equipment

The equipment rebate funding is for the purposes of purchasing specialized equipment used to address animal welfare and biosecurity challenges facing the goat industry. The following list of items as recommended in the veterinarian assessment would be eligible. **Equipment must be identified in the Veterinarian's Assessment prior to purchase and installation.**

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Biosecurity and Animal Welfare Assessment Equipment List

Biosecurity Initiatives

- Segregation Pens
- Deadstock Site
- Deadstock composter
- Fencing (prevent access to feed/standing water)
- Signage for controlled zones
- Cleaning / disinfection stations

Animal Welfare Improvements

- Loading Chutes
- Pain control – administered by Vet.
- Headgate/chute
- Hoof trimming chute
- Auto milk feeders for kids
- Tilt table
- Goat sorter
- Working chute
- Crowding tubs
- Weigh scales and feed scales
- Video surveillance equipment

If you have any questions and wish to participate in the Saskatchewan Assurance Systems Rebate Program For Goat Producers please contact:



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