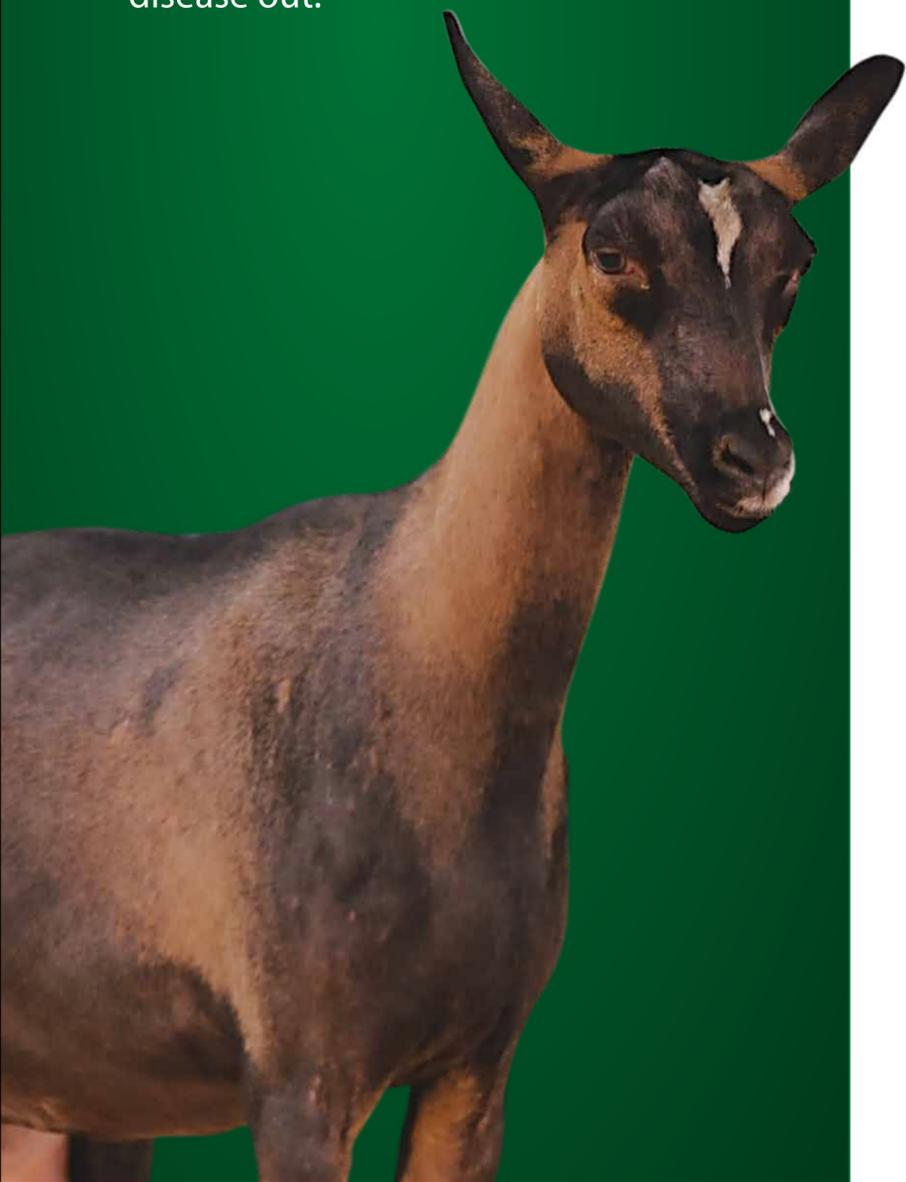


# Movement and isolation checklist

## GOATS

A disease outbreak in your herd can result in losses and increased costs. Follow these guidelines when introducing animals onto your farm – and reduce the risk to your goats by helping to keep disease out.



### Keep your herd healthy:

- ✓ Clean and disinfect transport trucks and trailers in between loads or ensure that your transporter has an appropriate protocol in place.
- ✓ If possible, avoid commingling animals during transport or sale.
- ✓ Do not transport unfit animals.
- ✓ Limit the introduction of new replacement stock and bucks to those where you know their disease status.
- ✓ When purchasing bred animals, raise the offspring in an area separate from other kids.
- ✓ Treat and vaccinate goats of unknown health status when they arrive.
- ✓ Observe new animals and their response to the new farm site closely and keep them away from your existing herd when they first arrive.
- ✓ Keep your production areas clean and dry to avoid spread of disease.
- ✓ Separate newborns from does immediately following birth to avoid transfer of pathogens from mother to offspring.
- ✓ Isolate sick animals and avoid direct contact between them.
- ✓ Implement enhanced biosecurity between sick pens and/or quarantine areas and the rest of your herd.
- ✓ Clean and disinfect equipment used for tattooing, hoof treating or animal health frequently.
- ✓ Ensure healthy and sick goats do not eat or drink from the same feed or water sources.
- ✓ Consider contamination risks when moving healthy and sick animals through common alleyways in the barn. Move healthy animals first to avoid disease transmission.
- ✓ Provide training for your staff on biosecurity protocols.

**For more information, visit [www.agbiosecurity.ca](http://www.agbiosecurity.ca) or contact Ontario Goat at [info@livestockalliance.ca](mailto:info@livestockalliance.ca) or 519-824-2942.**

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