



ATSA DNA Parentage Verification Policy & Procedures

This policy accompanies:

AI Ram Applications

Embryo Transfer Registrations

Purebred Applications

This document outlines the requirements and procedures for submitting DNA samples to Neogen for parentage verification for animals seeking to be admitted into the ATSA registry.

Section 1: Sample Submission Instructions

Members will submit specimens to Neogen using the Neogen submission form. See Weblink on ATSA site. Members must specify they are submitting said specimen under the American Teeswater Sheep Association account with Neogen. Samples must be collected using approved methods (TSU, blood card or other Neogen-approved materials) and clearly label with the animal identification that matches the ID in the ATSA registry for that animal.

Section 2: Payment Instructions

A payment of \$25 per animal must be submitted to the ATSA. Payment may be send via Paypal info@americanteeswatersheep.com or you may contact the treasurer, Brenda Anderson busyewefarm@gmail.com and request a Paypal invoice.

If payment is not received your account will be suspended until payment if received.

Section 4: Data Ownership and Use

All DNA samples, genetic data and resulting parentage verification records submitted in connection with the American Teeswater Sheep Association (ATSA) shall become part of the official records of the Association. By submitting samples for parentage testing, the owner or submitter grants ATSA a perpetual, irrevocable right to access, use, store and rely upon such data for purposes including but not limited to registration, pedigree verification, genetic evaluation and breed improvement programs.

DNA results generated by Neogen or an approved laboratory shall be considered official and binding for the ATSA registry purposes. ATSA retains ownership of all DNA results and may share such information with approved service providers or registry partners as necessary to maintain the integrity of the breed registry.

Submission of DNA samples constitutes agreement to those terms and acknowledgement that ATSA decision based on DNA parentage verification are final.

Section 5: Submission Checklist

- ☐ Sample collected using approved method
- ☐ Animal ID tags match ATSA registry ID tags
- ☐ Neogen submission form specifies American Teeswater Sheep Assn Account
- ☐ Payment to ATSA

Certification:

I certify that the submitted sample(s) corresponds to the animal identified above and that all information is accurate.

Signature: _____ Date: _____