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Paperless Registrations Now Available!

As part of the board's commitment to keep the cost of registrations and transfers affordable for our members, CSBA and CLRC will now be offering a Paperless Registration option for breeders who no longer wish to receive a hard copy of their registration papers.

Along with this paperless option, breeders will also now be able to print a non-official copy of a registration paper through their "Manage My Account" on the CLRC website.

Breeders will have the option to move to the paperless registrations with future registrations, however hard copy registration papers for animals already registered will still need to be kept.

This is completely optional, however if you opt-in you will need to contact CSBA to opt-out. Individual registration papers may be requested, but there may be an administrative fee from CLRC.

Paperless registrations will be available at \$8 per animal (plus applicable taxes and levy).

For those interested, there is a full list of Frequent Asked Questions on Page 4 of this newsletter and for producers who are would like to opt-in to this system, please reach out to Melanie Overduin at CLRC.

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Be sure to keep your information up to date.



2026 Scholarship Winner

The CSBA Board of Directors would like to congratulate the recipient of the 2026 Scholarship, Mavis Carberry of Bresleau, ON! Mavis is currently enrolled in the Associate Diploma in Veterinary Technology at the University of Guelph, Ridgetown College.

Mavis's commitment to the industry expands past the boundaries of her home farm, where she spends her time growing her own flock of purebred Southdowns and aiding in the family farm operations. She is an active participant in 4-H both in leadership roles and mentoring new and younger members, while allowing them the use of her animals, and has exhibited at various fairs including the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair.

"I am truly grateful to the CSBA for this scholarship, which is helping me move closer to achieving my dreams in agriculture and the sheep industry," shared Mavis. Her dedication, leadership, and love for the sheep industry truly embody the spirit of this award.

Junior Director position available

The Board of Directors is looking for a CSBA member who is between the ages of 18 and 21 (as of December 31, 2026) to fill a 2-year role as a non-voting advisor to the CSBA board.

This is an opportunity for young members to experience joining a national sheep association and being interactive within a board of directors. The junior director is expected to attend conference calls, the annual meeting and the All Canada Sheep Classic, if possible.

If you or someone you know would like to fill the role of Junior Director for 2026 and 2027, please submit a one-page letter of interest to the CSBA office at office@sheepbreeders.ca by December 5, 2025.



10th Annual Photo Contest



Get your camera's ready!

The 10th Annual Photo contest will be back in 2026.

Get your purebred sheep photos ready to submit, or make sure to snap some award winning photos before January 1st!

Submission period will be January 1st to February 28th, 2026.

CFIA and University of Calgary Scrapie Survey

The University of Calgary and CFIA are looking for producers to complete a survey to help them assess industry understanding and awareness of Scrapie as well as the economic impacts.

Click below to take part in the survey.



Funding available from Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada

If you're a new farmer or looking to expand your existing operation the Canadian Agricultural Loans Act (CALA) Program makes financing easier with government-backed loans designed for farmers. Whether you need land, equipment, or upgrades, CALA can help turn your plans into reality.

Borrow up to \$500,000, benefit from lower interest rates and enjoy flexible repayment options. Talk to your financial institution today to see how a CALA Program loan can work for you.

[Learn more on the AAFC website, here.](#)

Upcoming Events

May 19, 2026 – All Canada Sheep Classic Entry deadline

July 8–11, 2026 – All Canada Sheep Classic *Pictou, NS*

Are you hosting an event that Sheep breeders across Canada might be interested in? Let us know at office@sheepbreeders.ca



Thank you to our partners for their continued support of CSBA events such as the Annual Meeting and the Classic.





Paperless Registrations – Frequently Asked Questions

Is this a mandatory change?

No. This is a completely optional function for breeders. You will be asked to opt-in to make the change.

Once I move to paperless registrations, can I switch back?

You will need to contact CSBA to switch back to hard copies of registration papers.

Will I still receive a paper copy of my registrations?

No. Once you opt-in to the paperless system, no new Certificates of Registration will be printed for animals that you register or that are transferred into your name.

Will my animals still show up in my Manage My Account and online in CLRC's Search the Registry?

Yes. Official pedigree information for all registered sheep in the CSBA herdbook will still be available online via the CLRC website.

How can I get a copy of a Registration Paper?

Digital 'unofficial' registration papers will be available in PDF form, can be accessed for any sheep you own through the Manage My Account on the CLRC website. If you require a hard copy of an official Registration Paper, you will need to contact CLRC. Fees may apply.

Will I still receive an invoice?

Yes. All invoices will be emailed, rather than mailed.

NOTE: If a payment is not received, the registration will be held (i.e. not visible via Search the Registry or Manage My Account) until the payment is received.

What if I am transferring an animal with no physical registration paper to someone who has not opted in to the paperless system?

If you are transferring to someone who has not opted-in to the paperless system, once the transfer has been processed, a hard copy paper will be issued to the buyer, at no charge for the first buyer and \$1.75 +tax per extra buyer thereafter to cover postage costs.

What if I'm selling my animal through a sale and need to provide a Registration Paper?

CSBA and CLRC will work with any organization hosting a purebred sale to offer a Transfer Authorization Form that will be used in place of signing the back of the Registration paper. If you need a copy of this form please contact CSBA.

Can I use GenOvis/EweManage/EweByte files to submit Paperless Registrations?

Yes. You are still able to submit registrations using your herd management software.