



## SHETLAND ISLANDS COUNCIL SHEEP SCAB REGULATIONS 2024

**PRE-IMPORT DIPPING FORM**

Vendor Name and Address	Importer Name and Address
Veterinary Practice details	Veterinary Practice details

Description of sheep (sex / breed/number)
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Ear numbers of the sheep:		

<u>Dipper Information (to be completed by a qualified sheep dip operator)</u>	
Name (printed):	Phone Number:
Declaration: I declare that the above animals have been treated for sheep scab in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions using (product name) _____	
Plunge dip on (date) _____	
Batch Number on Product _____	Expiry Date of Product _____
After how many animals was the bath topped up? _____	
Did the sheep have sufficient wool? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Was the head dipped under? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Confirm sheep have been plunge dipped and <b>not</b> showered? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Signed:	Date of signature

## Information for Sheep Importers About Sheep Dipping After the 2024 Regulations Change

- Charges for dipping will be £30 plus VAT per head. Imported wishing to dip on non-consolidated days will have an additional charge of £150 per day. This reflects the additional cost of employing labour and setting up the dipper for a small number of animals.
- This price has been held by SLMG at the 2023/2024 season rate. To arrange dipping of your animals please phone Brendon Smith on 07501 924820. Please confirm as soon as you have a shipping date.
- The best way to keep the costs of dipping down is to arrange a time for getting sheep dipped in advance. Collecting sheep promptly from the pier will also help reduce this cost.
- SLMG may impose sale restriction on sheep from producers whose sheep are not dipped on arrival. For more details, please contact SLMG.
- Sheep will be tested as normal by the vets. They will continue to receive a Zolvix drench and Cydectin injection for anthelmintic resistant worms. Sheep imported with a dipping certificate will be blood tested for sheep scab on arrival and 4-6 weeks post import. We may also take a wool sample to check that dip levels in the fleece are at an effective concentration.
- ***Sheep dipped with an OP dip in the previous month with a veterinary certificate need not be dipped again. This certificate should be emailed to [dippingcert@shetland.gov.uk](mailto:dippingcert@shetland.gov.uk). This certificate is available on the Shetland Animal Health Scheme website. If you are unable to complete this form please contact the SAHS on 01595 745250 (Please Note: Sheep dipped with an OP dip or treated with a levamisole containing drench (eg Combinex) in the last 14 days should not be dipped again.)***
- If the duty vet is concerned that any sheep have not travelled well and is unable to be dipped they will notify you. These animals must be isolated and dipped on another day or be blood sampled for sheep scab 4-6 weeks later
- Sheep scab is an extremely infectious parasite and can spread via contaminated wool, clothing, and equipment.
- If the owner or dipping staff are concerned about individual sheep they will contact the duty vet
- Once dipped the owner/importer can transport the sheep home
- An advice sheet will be given out at the pier covering management of sheep post dipping.