

# SHEEP AND GOAT INSPECTION PROCEDURES

## CARCASS and HEAD

1. Observe outer surfaces of carcass, body cavities (pelvic, abdominal, thoracic) and spleen.
2. Observe and palpate kidneys.
3. Observe and palpate the prefemoral, superficial scrotal or mammary, and popliteal lymph nodes.
4. Palpate back and sides of carcass.
5. Palpate prescapular lymph nodes and shoulders and lift forelegs.
6. Observe neck, shoulders, and head.

Note: If palpation of body lymph nodes is inadequate to determine the absence of abscesses, incise the lymph nodes. The lymph nodes should remain attached until all inspection is complete.

## VISCERA

1. Observe abdominal viscera, esophagus, mesenteric lymph nodes, and omental fat.
2. Observe the cut bile duct and content and express gall bladder.
3. Observe and palpate liver (both sides) and costal surfaces of lungs.
4. Palpate bronchial and mediastinal lymph nodes.
5. Observe ventral surfaces of lungs.
6. Observe and palpate the heart.

NOTE: The establishment should present the liver with the bile duct incised. Examine pancreatic gland for wholesomeness if the establishment saves them for edible purposes