

FLC recommends the following language on Goat feed labeling be forwarded to the Model Legislation and Regulation committee via the Board.

Proposed Regulation 3(a)(4)VI (Original text from 2010 annual meeting MBC report):

- VI. Required Guarantees for Goat Formula Feeds
- a. Animal Classes
 - (1) Starter
 - (2) Grower
 - (3) Finisher
 - (4) Breeder
 - (5) Lactating
 - b. Guaranteed Analysis For Goat Complete Feeds And Supplements (all animal classes)
 - (1) Minimum percentage of Crude Protein
 - (2) Maximum percentage of equivalent crude protein from Non-Protein Nitrogen (NPN) when added
 - (3) Minimum percentage of Crude Fat
 - (4) Maximum percentage of Crude Fiber
 - (5) **Maximum percentage of Acid Detergent Fiber**
 - (6) Minimum and maximum percentage of Calcium
 - (7) Minimum percentage of Phosphorus
 - (8) Minimum and maximum percentage of Salt (if added)
 - (9) Minimum and maximum percentage of total Sodium shall be guaranteed only when total Sodium exceeds that furnished by the maximum salt guarantee.
 - (10) Minimum and maximum Copper in parts per million (ppm) (if added). ~~or if total copper exceeds 20ppm~~
 - (11) Minimum Selenium in parts per million (ppm)
 - (12) Minimum Vitamin A, other than precursors of Vitamin A, in International Units per pound (if added)

Goat working group comments:

Language implements recommendations of expert panel report accepted by FLC in January 2011.

Expert panel recommended allowing the use of the statement “none added” in the copper guarantee. We did not want to set the precedence of putting that in the model regulations. Quite a bit of debate was held on the subject with the group split on the matter.

No maximum spread for the copper guarantees was stipulated due to the high analytical Variation for copper. The actual level should be near the minimum number. Leave it to the manufacturer to inform the consumer without misleading them.