VBISBAR

SPITTI APPENDIX

Registration Rules & Recordation Procedures

VALAIS BLACKNOSE INTERNATIONAL SHEEP BREEDERS ASSOCIATION & REGISTRY

Policy overview The VBISBAR Spitti Appendix provides an official system for documenting male and female Spitti Valais Blacknose sheep and preserving their ancestry in the VBISBAR database. The Appendix distinguishes recordation from registration, assigns a permanent SP designation, and allows correctly marked descendants to be considered for regular registration when all other VBISBAR requirements are met.

Breeders should read this policy before submitting an animal. Entry in the Spitti Appendix does not automatically grant full registration. The status of the animal depends on whether it is male or female and whether all applicable pedigree, DNA, generational, registration, and breed requirements have been satisfied.

1 Purpose and Scope

The Spitti Appendix documents Spitti animals within the existing VBISBAR registry system. It preserves complete pedigree information, identifies Spitti ancestry in future generations, and gives breeders and buyers a reliable way to review known bloodlines before making breeding or purchasing decisions.

The SP designation is informational and permanent. It supports accurate records and informed breeding choices without favoring or discouraging the use of Spitti genetics.

2 Definitions

Spitti animal A Valais Blacknose sheep accepted by VBISBAR as Spitti based on its coloring and markings.

Spitti Appendix The separate section of the VBISBAR database used to document Spitti animals and trace their pedigrees and offspring.

Recordation Documentation of an animal and its pedigree in the VBISBAR database without granting the animal full registration status.

Registration The status granted to an eligible animal after all applicable VBISBAR requirements have been met.

SP designation The permanent identifier placed beside the recorded name or number of an accepted Spitti animal and displayed whenever that animal appears in a pedigree.

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3 Classification and Eligibility

The following classifications determine how an animal is entered and what status it may receive.

Animal category	VBISBAR status	Eligibility and treatment
Female Spitti	Appendix entry and possible registration	The female is entered in the Spitti Appendix and may receive registration status when all applicable VBISBAR pedigree, DNA, and registration requirements are met. The SP designation remains permanent.
Male Spitti	Recorded only	The male is entered in the Spitti Appendix as a recorded animal. He receives the SP designation but does not receive full registration as a breeding ram.
Correctly marked descendant	Possible regular registration	An offspring with traditional Valais Blacknose coloring may qualify for regular registration if all parentage, DNA, generational, registration, and breed standard requirements are met. SP ancestry remains visible in the pedigree.

4 Application Submission Requirements

The breeder or current owner must submit a complete application using the current VBISBAR and Associated Registry submission process. Each application must include the following materials.

- The appropriate VBISBAR application for the animal and requested status
- The animal's official identification and ear tag information
- All available pedigree and parentage information
- Any DNA or parentage verification required by VBISBAR
- The two required photographs described below
- Any additional information required on the current application form

5 Required Photographs

Two photographs must accompany every application for a Spitti animal. Both photographs should be current, clear, and sufficient to identify the animal and its markings.

1. A clear head photograph showing the animal's official ear tag. The tag must be visible and readable.
2. A clear full side view showing the entire animal and its coloring and markings.

Photo quality matters Photographs that do not clearly show the official identification or the animal's markings may delay completion of the record.

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6 Application Review and Appendix Entry

1. The breeder or owner submits the completed application and supporting materials through the current Associated Registry process.
2. The application is reviewed for the required pedigree, parentage, DNA, identification, and photographic information.
3. If accepted, the animal is entered in the Spitti Appendix under the status that applies to its sex and eligibility.
4. The permanent SP designation is added beside the animal's recorded name or number.

Submission of an application does not guarantee registration. An animal receives only the status for which it qualifies under these rules and all other applicable VBISBAR requirements.

7 Permanent SP Designation

Every accepted Spitti animal receives the permanent designation SP beside its recorded name or number. The designation identifies the animal as a documented Spitti and remains attached to that animal throughout the VBISBAR database.

Whenever the animal appears as a parent, grandparent, or earlier ancestor, the SP designation continues to appear in the pedigree. It is not removed when a descendant has traditional Valais Blacknose coloring or qualifies for regular registration.

8 Rules for Female Spitties

- A female Spitti is entered in the VBISBAR Spitti Appendix.
- She receives the permanent SP designation.
- She may receive registration status when all applicable VBISBAR pedigree, DNA, and registration requirements have been met.
- Registration does not remove her Spitti classification or the SP designation from her record or future pedigrees.

9 Rules for Male Spitties

- A male Spitti is entered in the VBISBAR Spitti Appendix as a recorded animal only.
- He receives the permanent SP designation.
- He does not receive full registration as a breeding ram.
- His pedigree and known offspring may be documented so that his ancestry and genetic contribution remain traceable.

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10 Offspring and Descendant Registration

Offspring from Spitti bloodlines are evaluated according to their own markings, generation, parentage, DNA results, and all other applicable VBISBAR requirements. A correctly marked offspring is not automatically registered solely because its coloring meets the traditional standard.

An offspring displaying traditional Valais Blacknose coloring may qualify for regular VBISBAR registration only when all of the following requirements are met.

- Parentage requirements
- DNA requirements
- Generational requirements
- Registration requirements
- Breed standard requirements

If regular registration is granted, every Spitti ancestor remains identified by the SP designation in the registered animal's pedigree.

11 Pedigree Documentation and Transparency

The Appendix allows VBISBAR to preserve the complete known pedigree of each accepted Spitti animal and connect that record to known offspring and future descendants. This information gives breeders and buyers a consistent way to determine whether a bloodline contains documented Spitti ancestry.

The permanent pedigree notation supports breeders who choose to use Spitti genetics as well as breeders who prefer to avoid them. The purpose is accurate disclosure and informed decision making.

12 Breeder and Owner Responsibilities

- Provide complete and accurate identification, pedigree, parentage, and ownership information.
- Submit photographs that clearly show the official ear tag and the animal's full side markings.
- Complete all DNA and parentage requirements that apply to the requested status.
- Use the animal's SP designation consistently in VBISBAR records and related pedigree information.
- Disclose known Spitti ancestry accurately when presenting an animal's VBISBAR pedigree or registration status.

13 Recordation and Registration Limitations

- Recordation documents the animal and its ancestry. It does not grant a male Spitti full registration as a breeding ram.
- A female Spitti may be registered only when she satisfies all requirements that apply to her application.
- A correctly marked descendant may qualify for regular registration, but eligibility is not automatic.
- The SP designation is permanent and does not disappear from a pedigree in later generations.
- Appendix entry documents identity and ancestry. It is not a guarantee of breeding quality or of the registration eligibility of any offspring.

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14 Frequently Asked Questions

Is a male Spitti registered as a breeding ram?

No. A male Spitti is recorded in the Appendix and receives the SP designation, but he does not receive full registration as a breeding ram.

Can a female Spitti receive registration status?

Yes. A female Spitti may receive registration status when all applicable VBISBAR pedigree, DNA, and registration requirements are met. She remains identified as SP.

Can correctly marked offspring from Spitti ancestry be registered?

Possibly. The offspring must display traditional Valais Blacknose coloring and satisfy every applicable parentage, DNA, generational, registration, and breed standard requirement.

Does the SP designation disappear after several generations?

No. The SP designation remains beside the Spitti ancestor wherever that animal appears in a pedigree.

Does SP ancestry automatically prevent a descendant from being registered?

No. SP ancestry remains disclosed, but a correctly marked descendant may qualify for regular registration when all other requirements are met.

Why are both male and female Spitties documented?

Documenting both sexes preserves complete pedigrees, connects known offspring to their parents, and helps breeders trace Spitti ancestry accurately through future generations.

Is a separate Spitti registry required?

No. The Spitti Appendix is part of the VBISBAR database, allowing Spitti records and regular VBISBAR pedigrees to remain connected in one system.

What photographs are required?

Submit one clear head photograph with the official ear tag visible and one clear full side view showing the animal's complete coloring and markings.

15 Administration and Submission Instructions

VBISBAR and Associated Registry will provide the current application forms, submission method, and administrative instructions for Appendix entries. Breeders should use the most current forms and instructions available at the time of application.

Questions about an animal's classification, required documentation, or eligibility should be directed to VBISBAR before the application is submitted.

16 Purpose of the Appendix System

The VBISBAR Spitti Appendix is designed to:

- Document male and female Spitties
- Preserve complete and accurate pedigrees
- Track Spitti ancestry through succeeding generations
- Connect correctly marked offspring to documented Spitti bloodlines
- Provide transparent pedigree information for breeders and buyers
- Support the long-term collection and study of Spitti genetic information

Maintaining these records within VBISBAR gives breeders one connected pedigree system and preserves information that may remain important many generations after a Spitti animal first appears.

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