

RESEARCH ON LEG TAGS IN GOAT BREEDING FOR ELECTRONIC IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES*

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This study is on the fall and readability of electronic leg tags, plastic ear tags and electronic ear tags used in 2 flocks of goats. Honamlı and Turkish Hair goat flocks were followed for 4 months and bred under different conditions. While the flock of Honamli goats went to pasture every day, the Turkish Hair goats remained indoors. It was found that the leg tags fell from 5 goats in the Honamli flock (96%), while none fell in the Turkish Hair flock. Plastic ear tags attached to goats were found to have fallen from 11 goats (92%) in the Honamli flock and 7 goats from Turkish Hair goat flock (90%). The readability of electronic leg tags, plastic ear tags and electronic ear tags used in goats for 4 months was determined as 100%. It is useful to carry out research on the use of electronic leg tags as an alternative option for goat breeding for identification purposes, with different trial groups formed on animals of different ages and different legs.