



SAV Ranch Program Requirements

IMPORTANT NOTE: This is meant to be used as a guide. If you have any additional questions or if anything on this page is unclear, please contact the Legacy Verified Office.

General (BASIC) Requirements:

- After the completion of the SAV Ranch Application, Legacy Verified will determine your potential eligibility for all claims. Your farm/ranch must be evaluated with an offsite (phone and records) verification before you can use the SAV claims.
- You must submit all of the required information: Application, Signed Contract, Payment, Copy of Calving Records, and Head Count Support before the offsite verification is scheduled. Once this information is received, the Program Manager will assign a trained SAV Desk Verification Specialist to the ranch.
- The Desk Verification Specialist will contact the ranch via phone call and will go through a series of questions to verify that the information sent with the application is true and correct. You should allow for approximately one-half hour to complete the verification, but it may be longer if there are more calving groups or any record discrepancies.
- Once your location is approved, your name, address, approval date, and claim(s) approved for will be added to the Legacy Verified Approved Supplier List which may be made available to USDA upon request.
- Legacy Verified is required to conduct a follow-up onsite verifications for a total of 3% of their SAV verifications to verify that the records submitted were accurate. Ranches are selected for an onsite assessment at random. There is no charge for this 3% onsite assessment if your ranch is selected. If the ranch denies Legacy Verified the request to have an onsite assessment, the ranch may be delisted as an approved SAV Ranch Supplier at Legacy Verified's sole and absolute discretion.

Program Requirements:

- All SAV cattle **MUST** have a PCT Tag (EID) applied **BEFORE** they leave the ranch of origin if the cattle are moving to an unapproved SAV location, or if the final destination of the

cattle is unknown, in order to maintain their approved status. (Legacy Verified does sell PCT Tags at a discounted price to its customers.)

- ✓ If cattle are moving directly from the ranch to an approved location (ie: SAV Feedlot), those animals may move with a Group ID (brands, ranch tags, etc.)
Note: notches, as a sole form of ID, are not acceptable – The notches must be accompanied by one of the other identification methods listed above).
- Following the verification approval, Legacy Verified will send the ranch customer a Certificate of Approval and a completed Shipping Form. At the time of shipping, the rancher is required to send a copy of the Certificate of Approval and LV Shipping Form with the calves to the next destination along with a copy of the complete PCT Tag manifest if PCT's (EID) tags have been applied. Copies of these records must be maintained by the rancher for at least three years.
- If cattle have been tagged with a PCT Tag and they fall out of conformance for any of the above-mentioned claims, the producer is responsible for sending those tag numbers to Legacy Verified so that the claims can be adjusted for those particular animals.
- Age verification of the calving group will be determined by the oldest calf born date which will need to be made available through calving records. If the producer desires an exemption for very early calves, some form of ID for those animals must be in place.
- Legacy Verified will not assign an arbitrary calving date to the group. First calf born date must be recorded.