Reported Occupationally Acquired Infections Ovine/Caprine (Sheep/Goats) Zoonoses

Disease	Causative Organism	Probable Means of Spread to Man	Prevention
Anthrax	Bacillus anthracis	Occupational exposure; occasionally wounds or insect bites; rarely airborne	If anthrax is suspected, do not necropsy the animal; avoid contact with the animal tissues, wear protective clothing and gloves; wash hands thoroughly; control dust in animal pens
Brucellosis	Brucella spp.	Sheep/goat body fluids; occupational exposure	Wear protective clothing and gloves when handling blood, tissue, urine, and aborted fetuses; avoid contact through cuts or breaks in the skin.
Campylobacterosis	Campylobacter spp.	Occupational exposure; fecal contamination; mainly food and water borne	Use good hygiene practices, handwashing, sanitation; wear protective clothing (gloves) when handling infected animals
Contagious ecthyma	Orf virus	Occupational Exposure	Avoid direct contact with abrasions or mucus membranes of infected animals; good personal hygiene and wash the exposed area with soap and water
Cryptosporidiosis	Cryptoridium spp.	Fecal contamination	Use care in handling animal feces, and animals with diarrhea
Pasteurellosis	Pasteurella spp.	Wounds, scratches, bites	Promptly cleanse wounds; avoid animal bites and scratches
Q Fever	Coxiella burnetti	Mainly airborne; exposure to placenta; occasionally ticks and milk	Adequate ventilation of animal holding / housing areas; use good personal hygiene, proper disinfection and disposal of animal birth fluids and tissues
Dermatophytosis	Ringworm fungal spp.	Contact with animal hair and dander	Good hygienic practices, especially handwashing; clean and disinfect tools or instruments used on animals; practice good sanitation

Physical Hazards:

- Includes animal induced injuries:
 - o Stepped On
 - Head Butted
 - o Trampled
- Also may include equipment type injury:
 - o Gates

o Other Farm Equipment