

In Case Of a Kill What to Do in this Situation

If you discover that one of your lambs or sheep has been killed due to predation from a wolf, stray dog, bear or coyote, you should contact your local valuer from your municipality as soon as possible to make a claim. If you do not know the local valuer then you can contact the Municipal Clerk who will notify the valuer of your claim. OSMA can help you to locate your local Clerk if you have any problems. Once you have contacted a valuer, the valuer will come to the farm to investigate the claim. A written report from the valuer will be presented to the Municipal Clerk within 10 days. The producer also receives a copy of this report. The report contains information about the amount of compensation that was issued, the extent of the damage to the livestock, and what type of animal killed or injured the livestock (coyote, wolf or dog).

You as a producer are responsible to fill out an affidavit with the Municipal Clerk within 10 days of informing the valuer or Clerk of the predator attack. In the affidavit you are required to state, to the best of your knowledge that the animal(s) were killed by a coyote, stray dog or wolf.

The **maximum** amount of compensation you will receive per sheep is \$200. If your claim is validated, the municipality is not responsible to pay over the maximum limit of what the regulations state.

Where it is determined that the claim is valid, the municipality is not liable to pay more than is required by the regulations under the LPHBPA. Conversely, the municipality may not set the maximum amounts of compensation lower than those established in the regulations.

MAXIMUM COMPENSATION

Maximum amounts of compensation for sheep: \$200.

APPEALS

If a producer does not agree with the municipal valuer's report, he or she may appeal to the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture & Food (OMAFRA.) The producer must appeal in writing within 30 days of receiving the valuer's report. A cheque or money order for \$25 payable to the "Minister of Finance" must accompany the appeal. The \$25 will be refunded to the producer if the appeal is upheld. Further information on appeals can be obtained from Mr. Robin Chandra at OMAFRA (519) 826 3508 or toll-free at 1-888-466-2372 x 63508

The appeal should be submitted to:

Program Administrator, Livestock Poultry and Honey Bee Protection Act
c/o Robin Chandra, Financial Officer
OMAFRA
2NE One Stone Road West
Guelph, ON N1G 4Y2

For further information regarding compensation under the LPHBPA, contact your local municipality.

To view the Act online: http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/DBLaws/Statutes/English/90I24_e.htm