
STOCK DISEASES REGULATION 2004

Order Pursuant to Clauses 18, 19 and 46

Approval and Use of Approved Identifiers for Cattle

I, GEORGE DAVEY, Deputy Director-General, Primary Industries, of the Department of Industry and Investment, with the delegated authority of the Director-General of the Department of Industry and Investment pursuant to section 22C of the Stock Diseases Act 1923 (“the Act”), and pursuant to section 3(2) of the Act and clauses 18, 19 and 46 of the Stock Diseases Regulation 2009 (“the Regulation”) do by this order:

1. revoke the order made under clause 20 and 21 of the Stock Diseases Regulation 2004 in relation to the Approval and Use of Permanent Identifiers for Cattle

dated 20 December 2005 and published in NSW Government Gazette No. 166 of 23 December 2005 on pages 11654 - 11655, and any order revived as a result of this revocation;

2. approve, pursuant to clause 18(1) of the Regulation, the types and specifications of permanent identifiers specified in Schedule 1 below to be the types and specifications of permanent identifiers for cattle ;
3. approve, pursuant to clauses 18(2) and 19 of the Regulation, the manner of attachment and use of permanent identifiers specified in Schedule 2 below as the manner of attachment and use of permanent identifiers for cattle; and
4. approve, pursuant to clause 18(1) of the Regulation, the types and specifications of special identifiers specified in Schedule 3 below to be the types and specifications of special identifiers for cattle; and
5. approve, pursuant to clauses 19 of the Regulation and determine pursuant to clause 46(3) of the Regulation, the manner of attachment of, and the identification particulars to be used on, special identifiers for cattle as specified in Schedule 4 below.

Definitions:

In this order:

“approved identifier” means a permanent identifier or a special identifier.

“breeder device” means a permanent identifier which carries the property identification code of the property of birth.

“district veterinarian or a ranger” means a person employed in either capacity in accordance with section 42 of the Rural Lands Protection Act 1998 and who is currently working for a Livestock Health and Pest Authority.

“permanent identifier” has the same meaning as in clause 13 of the Regulation.

“post-breeder device” means an approved identifier which carries a property identification code of a property other than the property of birth.

“special identifier” has the same meaning as in clause 13 of the Regulation.

“Standard” means the permanent identification device standard for cattle as published from time to time by Meat and Livestock Australia.

NOTE: Meat and Livestock Australia can be contacted at Locked Bag 991, North Sydney NSW 2059, telephone 1800 023 100 or via www.mla.com.au.

SCHEDULE 1

Permanent Identifiers

Identifiers that are approved in accordance with the Standard for use as breeder devices or post-breeder devices for cattle are approved as permanent identifiers for cattle for the purposes of Part 3 of the Regulation.

SCHEDULE 2

Manner of Attachment and Use of Permanent Identifiers for Cattle

1. A permanent identifier approved pursuant to Schedule 1 of this order must be attached and used in the following manner:
 - (a) a breeder device may only be attached to cattle:
 - i. that does not already have an approved identifier attached, and
 - ii. that has been born on the property to which the property identification code on the permanent identifier has been assigned, and
 - iii. that is located on that property at the time the permanent identifier is attached to the stock; and
 - iv. by securely attaching the permanent identifier to the right (off-side) ear of the stock in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.
 - (b) a post-breeder device may only be attached to cattle:
 - i. that does not already have an approved identifier attached, and
 - ii. that is located on the property to which the property identification code on the permanent identifier has been assigned at the time the permanent identifier is attached to the stock, and
 - iii. by securely attaching the permanent identifier to the right (off-side) ear of the stock in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

NOTE: Identifiers that are approved, pursuant to clause 18 of the Regulation, as permanent identifiers for sheep or goats are not approved as permanent identifiers for cattle.

2. (a) A person may use a permanent identifier in a manner other than that specified in paragraph 1(a) or (b) of this Schedule and identify cattle with a permanent identifier that contains a property identification code assigned to a property other than the property on which the cattle are now located ONLY in accordance with the authorisation of a district veterinarian or a ranger or in accordance with a permit issued by an inspector under section 7(6) of the Act.
- (b) Any such authorisation or permit must specify
 - i. the type of identifier to be used and the property identification code on that identifier, and
 - ii. if the cattle is already identified with an approved identifier, whether that approved identifier must first be removed, and
 - iii. the period of time within which the cattle must be identified.

SCHEDULE 3

Special Identifiers

Identifiers that are approved in accordance with the Standard for use as post-breeder devices for cattle and on which is printed the property identification code assigned

to a saleyard or abattoir, or the district code assigned for a district, are approved as special identifiers for cattle for the purposes of Part 3 of the Regulation .

SCHEDULE 4

Manner of Attachment and Identification Particulars of
Special Identifiers for Cattle

1. A special identifier approved pursuant to Schedule 3 of this order may only be attached to cattle:
 - i. that does not already have an approved identifier attached, and
 - ii. that is located at the saleyard or abattoir to which the property identification code on the special identifier has been assigned at the time the special identifier is attached to the cattle, or
 - iii. that is located in the district to which the district code on the special identifier has been assigned at the time the special identifier is attached to the cattle, and
 - iv. by securely attaching the special identifier to the right (off-side) ear of the cattle in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

NOTE: Identifiers that are approved, pursuant to clauses 18 and 46 of the Regulation, as special identifiers for sheep or goats are not approved as special identifiers for cattle.

2. (a) A person may use a special identifier in a manner other than that specified in paragraph 1 of this Schedule and identify cattle with a special identifier that contains an identification code other than that referred to in paragraphs 1(i) or (ii) above ONLY in accordance with the authorisation of a district veterinarian or a ranger or in accordance with a permit issued by an inspector under section 7(6) of the Act.
- (b) Any such authorisation or permit must specify
 - i. the type of identifier to be used and the property identification code or district code on that identifier, and
 - ii. if the cattle is already identified with an approved identifier, whether that approved identifier must first be removed, and
 - iii. the period of time within which the cattle must be identified.

Dated this 9th day of September 2009.

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