

TSE Information for Owners of Imported Cattle

This fact sheet is to be provided to new managers or owners of imported animals at risk of TSE infection.

Dear Owner,

1. The imported animal/s must not be sold for slaughter or otherwise processed for human consumption or animal feed. (e.g. the animal cannot enter human or animal food chains by being sent to an abattoir or knackery).
2. If the animal is to be killed and disposed of, an authorised officer must witness the euthanasia and disposal.
3. Owner must notify the Local Land Services (LLS) District Veterinarian (DV) within 24 hours of signs of illness developing, or any departure from normal health, including any nervous signs such as incoordination, stumbling, abnormal reflexes, tremors or change in temperament.
4. If the animal dies, the LLS DV must be contacted immediately.
5. Owners must notify the LLS DV a change of ownership of the animal including the name of the new owner and their contact details, and the location of the animal.
6. NLIS identification ear tag must not be removed. The LLS DV must be notified within 7 days of an ear tag's inadvertent removal or loss.
7. Disposal of the animals must be by a method as directed by LLS DV in conjunction with the TSE Coordinator.

Local Land Services **contact person:**
Name

Phone (business hours)

Alternate contact person

NSW DPI Animal Biosecurity 1800 680 244

Emergency after hours contact: phone the Animal Biosecurity Emergency Hotline **1800 675 888**