

Sheep and goat traceability

Electronic Identification Devices (eID)



Biosecurity threats are present in regions to the north of Australia. If detected in Australia, these emergency animal diseases are estimated to have an \$80 billion direct impact on our economy.

Australia's livestock traceability system, the National Livestock Identification System (NLIS), ensures we continue to protect Australia from disease outbreaks.

Sheep and goats are now moving to the system of eID tagging, which will become mandatory from 1 January 2025.

You need a property identification code (PIC) registered to your property before you register for an eID tag.

Get the latest updates on the eID rollout via the Northern Territory Government's Facebook @BiosecNT page.

What is an eID?

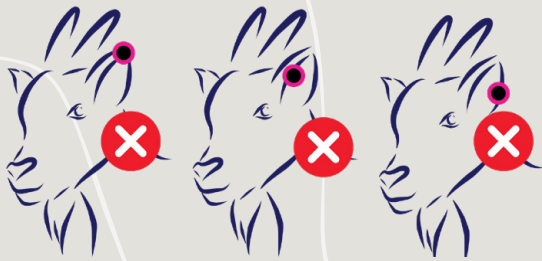
An electronic identification (eID) device, known as the 'eID tag' connects to the NLIS and allows for individual identification of animals.

It has been mandatory for cattle to be tagged with an eID tag since 2005.

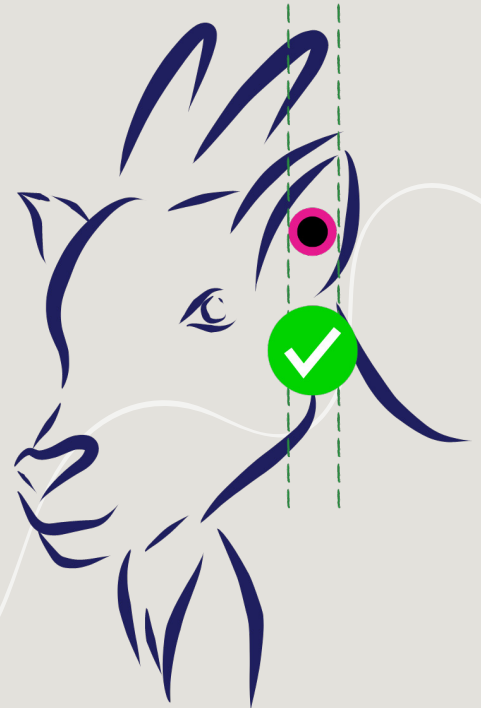
What do you need to do?



Incorrect tag placement



Correct tag placement



Benefits

- Strengthened biosecurity and traceability
- Market access
- Reduced chance of disease in flocks
- Enables an efficient, effective and targeted response to disease outbreaks.

Sheep and goat eID is an opportunity for producers to enhance their business practices and market outcomes.

Tag colour codes

The NLIS breeder tags are colour coded to match the sheep industries' year of birth tag colour system. They are used to permanently identify sheep and goats before they leave their property of birth.

Year	Year	Colour	
2012	2020	Purple	Any Year Pink tag = post breeder tags must be pink
2013	2021	Yellow	
2014	2022	Red	
2015	2023	Sky blue	
2016	2024	Black	
2017	2025	White	
2018	2026	Orange	
2019	2027	Light green	

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