

# NLIS Devices for Agistment Cattle

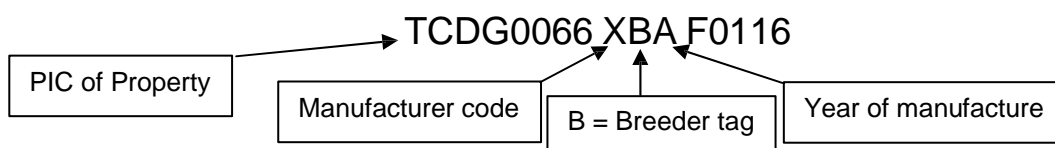
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All cattle properties are identified by a Property identification Code or PIC registered for the property. When agistment cattle leave a property they must be identified with a Radio Frequency Identification Device (RFID). The agistment cattle owner will have to consult the property owner about the purchase of RFIDs as owners authorisation to purchase tags is required.

All Radio Frequency Identification Devices (RFIDs) which are applied to cattle on a property must be devices purchased for use on that property. This means that the PIC number incorporated in the NLIS number will be the same on the NLIS devices for the property owner's cattle and any agisted cattle located on the same property. The agistment cattle owner **can not** bring RFIDs from another property to apply to their agistment cattle.

When RFIDs are purchased the last 5 characters of the NLIS number can be chosen by the property owner.

Example of NLIS number printed on the device



The last 5 characters (F0116) are the unique serial number of the animal. The first of these characters (F) can be alpha or numeric. If they wish, the property owner could utilise the last 5 characters of the NLIS numbers as a simple management tool to easily identify agistment cattle from their own cattle on the NLIS database.

The NLIS will record the movement history of an animal through its whole life. The NLIS database will not confirm the ownership of cattle. In the Northern Territory brands are used to confirm ownership of cattle and waybills are used to identify the owners of cattle being moved.

The owner of a cattle property is responsible for ensuring that all cattle leaving the property are identified in accordance with the *Livestock Regulations*. This includes responsibility for agistment cattle held on the same property.

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