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**15 Construction and size of 3-letter brand**

(1) All 3 letters of a 3-letter brand must be constructed on 1 handle.

(2) Each letter must be between 4cm and 8cm in both height and width.

Therefore it is recommended:

* That the imprint surface of the irons is to be no less than 3mm wide and no more than 4mm wide.
* That a 6mm by 45mm steel plate be used in the construction of the brand and that it is worked down to 3mm on the working edge.
* That the letters be 'clean joined' print and not 'fancy' or 'broken' print

For example, the letters should be:

TYSand NOT like these as shown in red TYS**TYS** *TYS*

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**16 Size of symbol brand**

A symbol brand must be between 4cm and 12cm in both height and width.

Therefore it is recommended:

* The imprint surface of the branding iron should be no less than 3mm thick and no more than 4mm thick.
* That any adjacent lines of a distinctive brand be at least 20mm apart to avoid blotching.
* Symbol brand must be constructed on 1 handle; and
* The branding iron is consistent with the design / description of the brand on the certificate of registration.

Example of recommended alphabet - - Note: size of letters are not to scale.

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| ATB | CTD | ETF | GTH | ITJ | KTL |
| MTN | OTP | QTR | STU | VTW | XTY |

***Livestock Regulations* – Division 2 Brands** state:

***12 Requirement to give impression of brand***

(1) The registered owner of a brand must, within 60 days after receiving the certificate of registration for the brand, give the Registrar an impression of the brand;

(a) made on linen, canvas, cardboard, leather or other material acceptable to the Registrar;

(b) consistent with the design or description of the brand in the certificate of registration.

**17 Brand to be consistent with registered design**

The registered owner of a brand commits an offence if the instrument used to apply the brand to livestock does not produce a brand consistent with the design or description in the certificate of registration for the brand.

**Registrar, GPO Box 3000, Darwin NT 0801 OR Drop in to your Regional Livestock Biosecurity Office**

Proof of ownership of Brand and/or Distinctive (symbol) Brand MUST be presented to your rural merchandise outlet to order your Branding Iron.(Show your **Certificate of Registration**)

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