

# Sheep and goat electronic identification (eID) and the National Livestock Identification System (NLIS)

#### Follow these steps to meet the requirements of sheep and goat eID:

## Make sure you have a Property Identification Code (PIC)

Contact your state or territory department to organise a PIC or check that your property's PIC is in your name.

### Order NLIS-accredited eID devices

All cattle, sheep and goats born after 1 January 2025 must be tagged with an eID device before moving off your property, unless you have an exemption from your state government.

## Set up a myMLA account and link your accounts

myMLA is your gateway to a range of MLA and ISC products and services. It provides single sign-on access to your NLIS, LPA, NVD, myFeedback, MSA and Sheep Genetics accounts.

### O4 Set up your NLIS account

The National Livestock Identification System (NLIS) is Australia's traceability system for cattle, sheep and goats. Receivers are responsible for updating the NLIS when stock are moved onto their property. Access the NLIS: https://www.nlis.com.au

## Complete a movement document when stock are moved

LPA-accredited producers can access the free eNVD web-based system or mobile app.

Non-accredited producers can use a waybill.

## If you are receiving stock, record the movement on the NLIS

Receivers are responsible for recording stock transfers on the NLIS and ensuring all records are up to date. This must be done within 48 hours of stock coming ONTO your PIC, even if the stock came from another PIC you own. This is done in your NLIS account.

## Check that livestock moved OFF your PIC have been completed by the receiver

If agents or third parties are completing database transfers for you, request an 'upload ID' for your records.

### Do a PIC reconciliation annually

Check the NLIS database to ensure it is an accurate record of NLIS devices and livestock on your property.



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#### **Become LPA accredited**

LPA provides assurance for biosecurity, animal welfare and food safety and underpins Australia's access to export markets. Accreditation ensures your livestock can be sent for processing or to an abattoir.







Check out these videos on sheep and goat elD:





#### **Electronic identification (eIDs)**

elDs provide faster and more effective individual traceability. elDs can be assigned statuses to identify livestock with a disease or food safety risk. This enables regulators to quickly trace where individual livestock have been – which is critical in the event of an animal disease outbreak or a food safety issue.

### THE KEY INTEGRITY SYSTEM PROGRAMS



#### On-farm assurance

#### **Livestock Production Assurance**

(LPA) ensures market access and covers on-farm management of biosecurity, animal welfare and food safety risks.



#### **Identification & Traceability**

The National Livestock Identification System (NLIS)

tracks the location of every animal throughout its life and ensures market access.

#### **NLIS** accredited eIDs

An NLIS eID contains two distinct numbers and either can be used to record movements of sheep and goats in the NLIS database.

The NLIS ID is printed on the outside of the eID and includes the PIC, manufacturer code, device type, year of manufacture, and serial number.

The Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) number is encoded on the microchip inside the eID. It is globally unique and can only be read by an eID scanner. Its sequence includes the manufacturer's code and the device number.

Example 16 character external code – NLIS ID – on NLIS devices for each state/territory

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#### **Breeder tags**

Breeder tags may be coloured for sheep and goats as per the table below and are applied to animals born on your property. Only ever apply one eID to one animal.

#### Sheep / goat breeder tags

COLOUR	YEAR	YEAR		
Yellow	2021	2029		
Red	2022	2030		
Sky Blue	2023	2031	PINK	Year of birth colours
Black	2024	2032	post-breeder	are mandatory in WA
White	2025	2033	devices must	and recommended in
Orange	2026	2034	be pink	other states/territories
Light Green	2027	2035		
Purple	2028	2036		

#### **Post-breeder tags**

These are applied to sheep or goats no longer on their property of birth, or to introduced animals that have lost their original tag.

If you need to apply a postbreeder device where the animal already has a visual NLIS tag, leave the property of birth tag in the ear, as well as applying the NLIS post-breeder eID device.

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