

QUICK REFERENCE - PREMISES IDENTIFICATION (PID) REGULATION

(former Traceability Premises Identification Regulation)

The PID Regulation requires owners of livestock to identify where their animals are located. Premises identification is the foundation of an effective traceability system, which is important for the protection of animal and public health. Knowing where animals are located is required for emergency planning, preparedness and response so that if an animal health issue were to occur, it could quickly be stemmed and the economic, social, and potential public health impacts minimized.

June 2014 amendments included:

- 1) Listing examples that would trigger the requirement for livestock owners to report a change of information to the Minister, including:
 - a. whether the premises identification account can be closed because the account holder no longer owns animals;
 - b. whether the premises associated with the account has changed;
 - c. whether the type of operation associated with the premises has been discontinued or changed, and if so, the new type of operation;
 - d. whether the species of animals listed for the premises are no longer on the premises; or
 - e. whether new species are located on the premises including the maximum capacity for that operation.
- 2) Exempting operators of carcass disposal sites and renderers from certain requirements that are not applicable for dead animals;
- 3) Clarification that livestock owners are only required to obtain one premises identification number, regardless of whether animals are located at commingling sites. The requirement for an animal owner that only has animals at a commingling site to obtain a premises identification account has been eliminated; and
- 4) Housekeeping items such as:
 - a. The term “recordable animal” has been replaced with “animal”;
 - b. The term “cattle” has been replaced with “beef cattle” and “dairy cattle”;
 - c. “Research facilities” and “zoos” have been included in the list of commingling sites; and
 - d. The name of the regulation has been changed (formerly the Traceability Premises Identification Regulation).