

Cattle Exhibition Requirements



Cattle must be officially identified prior to exhibition. The following are approved official identification for cattle.

Official ID may not be removed from an animal once it is applied.

1. National Uniform Ear Tagging System (NUES)

- *On May 9, 2024 USDA-APHIS amended its animal disease traceability regulations for certain cattle and bison. The rule requires official eartags to be visually and electronically readable for official use for interstate movement of certain cattle and bison. The final rule applies to all sexually intact cattle and bison 18 months of age or older, all dairy cattle, cattle and bison of any age used for rodeo or recreation events, and cattle or bison of any age used for shows or exhibitions. The rule goes into effect Nov. 5, 2024. **After that, NUES 9 tags will no longer be acceptable forms of official identification for those animals affected by the rule. If your impacted animal was tagged with a NUES 9 tag before Nov. 5, there will be no penalty and the animal will not need a new tag.***

2. Animal Identification Number (AIN) System

- Consists of 15 digits, beginning with **840** for the U.S.
- Visual or Radio Frequency Identification (RFID).
- Producers can obtain RFID tags from an accredited veterinarian, or directly from the manufacturer with proof of a premises identification number.



3. Breed Registry Tattoos or Tags

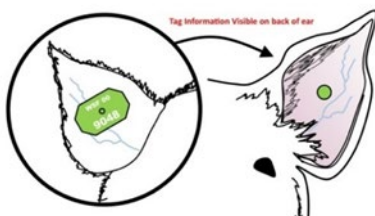
- Acceptable if accompanied by documentation listing the breed registration number.
- Pending registrations are not acceptable.

Swine Exhibition Requirements



Breeding and feeding swine must be officially identified prior to exhibition. The following are approved official identification for swine.

Official ID may not be removed from an animal once it is applied.



1. National Uniform Ear Tagging System (NUES)

- Begins with the official state number; **43** or **MO** for Missouri.



2. Animal Identification Number (AIN) System

- Consists of 15 digits, beginning with **840** for the U.S.
- Visual or Radio Frequency Identification (RFID).
- Producers can obtain RFID tags from an accredited veterinarian, or directly from the manufacturer with proof of a premises identification number.

