

# NAIT tips for calving



Dairy farmers and beef breeders play a critical role towards building lifetime animal traceability – it starts with newborn animals on-farm.

## Selling calves?

There are three things to remember to ensure you're meeting your NAIT requirements:



**1. Tag** correctly, for a higher retention rate.



**2. Register** your calves online. Tell us which tags you have used in your NAIT account.



**3. Record** a sending movement within 48 hours after you have sold the calves or moved off-farm for rearing. Except when sending to a saleyard.



### **NAIT tips**

*You can register a line of calves and record a movement at the same time.*

## Tag and register your calves



Tag Calves



Register  
your calves  
online



Within 180  
days of birth  
(about 6 months)

(whichever  
comes first)

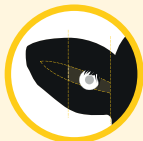


Before first  
off-farm  
movement

## Tagging tips



**Tags can only be applied to animals at the NAIT location number they were purchased for.**



**Position tag:** to central/inner part between the veins. The female end should face forward.



**When tagging:** Record the tag numbers, month and year of birth, NAIT location number at the location of birth, and production type (beef or dairy).



**Use NAIT approved birth tags.**  
Birth ID's aren't just for dairy calves.

*Failure to comply with your NAIT obligations may result in fines or prosecution issued by the Ministry for Primary Industries.*

### Don't have a scanner?

- **Use tags in numerical order.** This makes it easier to bulk register animals in your NAIT account.
- **Use a secondary panel tag.** You can match a secondary identifier to the NAIT tag in your NAIT account.
- **Scanner hire.** Call the OSPRI Contact Centre on 0800 482 463 for more details.

### Calves direct to slaughter

Bobby calves moved direct to slaughter are exempt from all NAIT requirements. Check with your meat processor about their requirements for accepting bobby calves.

## Need help?

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