

# 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



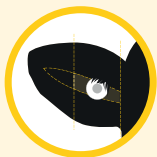
Within 180  
days of birth  
(about 6 months)

(whichever  
comes first)



Before first  
off-farm  
movement

## TAGGING TIPS



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



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



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



**Bulk register** calves with similar features.

## **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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