

NAIT AND YOU LINKING PEOPLE, PROPERTY AND LIVESTOCK



OSPRI'S NAIT PROGRAMME IS AN INDUSTRY-LED INITIATIVE WHICH LINKS PEOPLE, PROPERTY AND LIVESTOCK IN NEW ZEALAND

WHY DO WE NEED A TRACING SYSTEM?

It's no accident that New Zealand's meat and dairy products are world-class. It's the result of hard work and no small amount of pride. Overseas markets can't get enough of it. That's understandable – we produce great quality products. But they're also increasingly demanding traceability. It helps prove our food is safe and keeps our markets wanting more.

IT'S A BIG REASSURANCE FOR YOUR FARM AND BUSINESS

NAIT gives you the tools to help protect your livelihood:

- **Your stock are protected from the spread of disease.** All cattle are part of a national database which is used to help swiftly contain and identify the source of infections. NAIT is invaluable for helping trace TB infections under OSPRI's TBfree programme.
- **You can get back to business sooner.** If a new disease like foot and mouth enters New Zealand, we will be well positioned to contain it swiftly, minimising the impact on demand from our export markets.
- **Our reputation is protected.** NAIT helps protect your business, your livelihood, and New Zealand's reputation as a producer of world-class meat and dairy products by providing market assurance through traceability.

GO ALL THE WAY

You can also experience productivity gains for your farm by using the full capacity of RFID technology. Things like reduced yard time, easier animal management, automated drafting, recording of individual animal weights and treatments, and reduced safety risks through the use of scanners.

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NAIT helps give us the
traceability that gets
our products into the
best markets

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YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

Under OSPRI's NAIT programme there are some legal requirements that everyone with cattle and deer must meet – whether you have 1 or 1000 animals.

1. TAG YOUR ANIMALS

Cattle and deer need to be tagged with NAIT approved ear tags within six months of birth, or before they move off-farm – whichever comes first. All older stock should already be tagged.

Exceptions: *Impractical to tag stock, bobby calves, fallow deer and trophy stags.*



White tags are for cattle. They must also have a white back portion.



Orange tags are for deer. The back portion can be any colour other than white.



NAIT RFID tags should be applied to the central part of the right ear, with the female part facing forward.

2. REGISTER YOUR ANIMALS

Registering your animals is the next step after they've been tagged – do this as soon as you can. It's easy to forget, but a crucial step as it activates the animal's tag in the NAIT system and distinguishes tags sitting in the shed from tags that are actually in animals. This is important for disease control.

HOW THE NAIT PROGRAMME WORKS



Person in charge of animals (PICA) registers with NAIT



Cattle and deer tagged with NAIT approved RFID ear tags

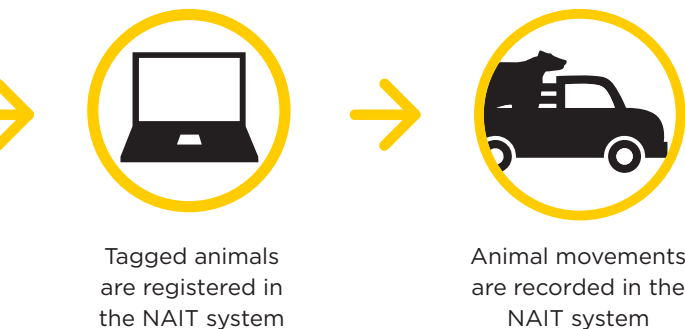


Registering your animals involves logging on to the NAIT system and telling NAIT which tags were put in animals, and then entering some details about those animals.

3. RECORD ANIMAL MOVEMENTS

Stock movements must be recorded by both the person sending the animals and the person receiving them. This needs to be done within two days. This includes private sales as well as short-term movements like grazing, mating and events. Under OSPRI's TBfree programme, you also need to complete an ASD form for each movement.

Exceptions: *If you send animals to a NAIT accredited sale yard or meat processor, they will record the movement on your behalf.*





HOW TO MEET YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

USE NAIT'S ONLINE SYSTEM

Manually – you can manually enter information into the NAIT system. This suits people with just a few animals and is free to use. Log on at **ospri.co.nz/naait**.

File upload – if you use a scanner, then uploading a CSV file to the NAIT system is an easy way to manage lots of animals.

GET AN APPROVED PERSON TO HELP

You can get an approved person to help with your NAIT requirements. This could be:

- A PICA delegate – someone you authorise to act on your behalf (e.g. a spouse or family member).
- A NAIT accredited information provider – a business you appoint to send your information through to NAIT.
- A NAIT accredited entity – a meat processor or sale yard that will automatically record animal movements to them on your behalf.

USE PAPER FORMS

If you do not have access to a computer or the internet, you can use paper forms provided by NAIT. A processing fee applies to this option. Call us on 0800 482 463 to request paper forms.

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The benefits of using NAIT are huge. Traceability, stock management, disease control – it's all there at your fingertips

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WHO'S OSPRI?

OSPRI is a not-for-profit partnership between government and primary industries that manages two national programmes – NAIT and TBfree. The TBfree programme is designed to eradicate bovine tuberculosis from New Zealand and reduces the impact of TB on primary production as well as providing significant biodiversity benefits for our native flora and fauna through the intensive pest control programme associated with reduction in possum numbers in order to manage TB. NAIT provides New Zealand's national animal identification and traceability system that enables New Zealand to respond and manage biosecurity incursions such as an outbreak of disease and helps to provide assurances for food safety and market access.

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Think of NAIT as insurance. It's there to protect your number one asset

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NEED HELP?

For more information visit ospri.co.nz/nait. If you have questions or need a hand call OSPRI on

0800 482 463

We can help with:

- Registering animals
- Recording animal movements
- Updating your NAIT account
- Answering your NAIT and TBfree questions

OSPRI manages the NAIT and TBfree programmes and can help you meet your responsibilities for each.

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