

Queensland Shows

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FACT SHEET 001 NATIONAL LIVESTOCK IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (NLIS)

SIGHTED CATTLE TRANSACTIONS FOR SHOW SOCIETIES IN QUEENSLAND

In order to provide an improved system for the handling of cattle on and off your Show Grounds the following points have been prepared to assist Cattle Stewards in ensuring compliance with the Sighted Cattle Transactions procedure:

1. **Who is (NLIS) reading your Stud and Dairy Cattle.** *This should be ascertained at least one month prior to your Show. Sighted Cattle procedure is not available for Prime Cattle. Prime Cattle are the responsibility of the Stock Agents conducting sales.*
2. **Does your Show Society have spare replacement tags.** *It is recommended that Show Societies have spare Orange 'Post-breeder' tags available during the Show. It is also essential that the correct applicator for tags is available.*
3. **Where is the wand/reader being procured from.** *It is important to have this arranged prior to the show. Wands can be sourced locally. If a Show Society is unable to procure a Wand, QCAS should be contacted for further advise.*
4. **Have your Society Stewards read the "SIGHTED CATTLE TRANSACTIONS" Tech Tips.** *This document has been prepared by BIO Security and copies are available through the NLIS Helpdesk, at www.nlis.com.au or through the QCAS Office.*
5. **Are you aware of your Showground PIC.** *Your Property Identification Code (PIC) can be obtained by contacting the NLIS Helpdesk. For NLIS, Show Grounds require a computer, Internet connection and browser, an email address and an NLIS Database account.*
 - a. **Does your Society have a Sporting Event Account.** *If not already held a Sporting Event account will need to be created and will now be used for all transactions of your Stud Beef and Dairy Cattle. To create a Sporting Event account, go to the [NLIS database](#). There is no charge for opening and operating an account.*
 - b. **Does your Society have a Sale yard Account.** *This account would be the account previously used for all transactions. This account is still required for all Beef Cattle sold on the grounds and will be used by your Stock Agent conducting the sale of Beef Cattle.*
6. **Have you included details in your Schedule regarding NLIS reading times etc.** *In order to ease the work on your NLIS Reader and to assist your Exhibitors it is advised that a time should be set aside for reading Stud and Dairy Cattle. This is usually a time after all cattle are required to be on the grounds and prior to events commencing or before any cattle can leave the grounds. A good time is after cattle are fed and bedded down. This reduces the time taken to read cattle and ensure all cattle are read.*

7. Check all entries. *A minimum of 2 days prior to your Show all nomination and entry forms should be checked to ensure NLIS Sighted Cattle procedures can be followed. If there is any concern at this stage the NLIS Helpdesk should be contacted on 1800 654 743 or contact the QCAS Office immediately.*
8. Read cattle on grounds at time as nominated in Schedule. *If the time has been correctly chosen all cattle should be on the grounds and this reading can be completed quickly and efficiently to ensure compliance with NLIS Procedures. All details are contained in the NLIS DATABASE TECH TIPS FOR SIGHTED CATTLE TRANSACTIONS.*
9. Record the following information for Sighted cattle:
 - a. Device ID
 - b. PIC
 - c. Date
 - d. NVD/Waybill
 - e. Comments. *The name of the event is required to be entered in the comment section. Eg. Brookfield Show 2010 or Beaudesert Camp Draft 2010. (this will then show the event name and year if a search is done on the animals at the event)*
10. *Cattle Stewards must retain a copy of all travel documents concerning cattle attending your Show. Necessary documents are NVD or Queensland Way Bill. A copy of the NVD or Waybill is to be retained by the Show Society Secretary for a minimum of two years.*
11. Register information from Reader. *Connect reader to computer/internet and process information within 48 hours of cattle leaving grounds or prior to next Show commencing. Procedures are contained in the Tech Tips for SIGHTED CATTLE TRANSACTIONS.*
12. Are your Show Society Cattle Stewards able to comply with these procedures. *QCAS has committed to ensuring Queensland Shows comply to the Sighted Cattle procedures. In the event that your Show Society cannot comply QCAS and NLIS are to be notified immediately in order to rectify the situation. Early advise will ensure action can be taken to correct any possible non compliance.*

In order for Stud and Dairy Cattle sections to be able to comply with the NLIS procedures it is important that this FACT SHEET be provided to Cattle Stewards well in advance of the Show.

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