



SD 4-H Animal Identification

January 3, 2022

BEEF

- Registered Breeding Heifers: MUST have an Ear Tattoo corresponding to their Registration Papers as a primary identifier. PLUS, a secondary identifier such as a Bangs Tag, USDA Silver Tag, 4-H NUES Tag, or Herd Tag.
- Commercial Breeding Heifers: MUST have a Bangs Tag, USDA Silver Tag, or NUES Tag as a primary identifier. PLUS, a secondary identifier such as a Tattoo, Herd Tag, or Freeze Brand.
- Market Steers: MUST have a 4-H NUES Tag as a primary identifier. PLUS, a secondary identifier such as a Tattoo or Herd Tag.
- Market Heifers: MUST have one of the following: 4-H NUES Tag, Bangs Tag, or USDA Silver Tag as a primary identifier. PLUS, a secondary identifier such as a Tattoo or Herd Tag.
- *Do NOT place two different USDA tags (4-H NUES Tag, Bangs Tag, or USDA Silver Tag) in an animal.*

DAIRY CATTLE

- Registered Dairy Cattle: MUST have Ear Tattoo corresponding to their Registration Papers OR USDA 840 Tag corresponding to their Registration Papers.
- Grade and Crossbred Dairy Cattle: MUST have an Ear Tattoo, Electronic ID Tag, Bangs Tag, or 4-H NUES Tag.

DAIRY GOATS

- Registered Dairy Goats: MUST have a USDA Scrapie ID Tag or Tattoo corresponding to their Registration Papers. If Registration Papers are not presented at check-in, the animal must show in "Unrecorded Grade".
- Unrecorded Grade Dairy Goats: MUST have a Tattoo or Herd Tag.

MEAT GOATS

- Meat Goats (Breeding and Market): MUST have a USDA Scrapie ID Tag or USDA Scrapie Tattoo.
- Registered Breeding Meat Goats: MUST have a Tattoo accompanied by breed registration papers. *Pending breed registration papers are not acceptable.
- Grade Animals and Registered Animals without registration papers will be shown as "Commercial".

SHEEP





- Sheep (Breeding and Market): MUST have a USDA Scrapie ID Tag.

SWINE

- Market Swine: MUST have a 4-H NUES Tag, an USDA Swine Premises Tag or an 840 RFID Tag.
- Breeding Gilts: MUST be ear notched and tagged with a 4-H NUES Tag, a USDA Swine Premises Tag or an 840 RFID Tag.

POULTRY

- MUST have a Numbered Leg Band.

RABBITS

- All rabbits MUST have an Ear Tattoo in the left ear prior to showing at the county level.
- No rabbits may be tattooed for identification between county shows and the State Fair.

It is the responsibility of the member and their family for the application of 4-H NUES Tags.

