

Sending livestock for processing

Requirements for South Australian producers

How animals are presented for processing matters - even when your animals are intended for **home kill**.

Your local processor must comply with a range of legislative and food safety requirements to maintain their licensing and processing accreditation and are regularly audited to ensure ongoing compliance.

Incorrect presentation of livestock can impact the processor's business accreditation.

Animals must be identified correctly

- **Sheep and farmed goats** - must be individually tagged with an NLIS-accredited electronic identification (eID) for the correct species (e.g. sheep or goat).
 - For animals born prior to 2025, a visual tag is acceptable until 1 January 2027.
- **Cattle** - must have an NLIS-accredited eID tag.
- **Pigs** - must have a pig brand or ear tag (pigs lighter than 25 kgs may have a yellow NLIS ear tag with a PIC on it).

Movement documents must accompany all animals

- **Movement waybill:**
 - all livestock movements require an *NVD*, *eNVD*, *PIGPASS* or alternate waybill.
- **National health documents:**
 - *National Sheep Health Declaration* is mandatory for all sheep movements
 - *National Goat Health Declaration* and *National Cattle Health Declaration* are voluntary.

Processor requirements

Processors are required to upload the following information for all animals processed:

- ✓ property identification code (PIC) of consignment
- ✓ individual animal identification numbers (or 'number of head' for visually identified animals)
- ✓ NVD serial number
- ✓ kill date for all animals processed.

Why does it matter?

All livestock sent for processing, **including for home kills**, must meet legal requirements.

Meeting these requirements not only fulfils your legal obligations as a producer but also recognises the impact of your actions on the processor, supporting their need to make sure stock are fit for human consumption.

It is important to identify stock and provide movement paperwork so that **ALL** animals can be matched to the correct PIC of consignment. The PIC of consignment is obtained from the details printed on the NVD, eNVD or PigPass and **NOT** from the PIC printed on animal tags.

Recording the correct PIC of consignment is critical in the event of a disease or food safety incident.

Failing to meet these requirements may lead to compliance action being taken against you, including the issuing of an expiation notice.

More information

For more information or clarification regarding your legal obligations contact your local PIRSA Animal Health Officer or visit pir.sa.gov.au/animal-management/livestock-movement

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