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- ○ acceptable identification
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  - see species-specific page for details
Animal Identification Number (AIN) 840 Tags

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UNLAWFUL TO REMOVE
840 003 123 456 789

KS - OCV

UNLAWFUL TO REMOVE
840 003 123 456 789

KS - OCV

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Material Type:
Plastic. Many colors available, with the exception of orange tags, which are reserved for Brucellosis (Bangs, OCV) vaccinations. Available with and without Radio Frequency Identification (RFID, Electronic ID, EID).

Official number:
• 15-digit number
• First three numbers indicate country of origin
  840 - USA
  124 - Canada
  484 - Mexico
• All 15 digits should be recorded for official paperwork

Special comments:
Older tags may not have a US shield. Tags without a US shield are not considered official identification, and they should not be applied.

How to order:
Tags can be ordered through KDAH at (785) 564-6601, or from the USDA at (785) 228-6565. Producers can order their own tags directly from the manufacturer, with the exception of Orange OCV-Specific 840-RFID tags, which must be ordered by Category II accredited veterinarians through KDAH.
National Uniform Eartagging System (NUES)
Other Names:
Metal tags, silver tags, brite tags, test tags, USDA tags, TB tags, Brucellosis (Bangs) vaccination tags, OCV tags

Material Type:
Metal or plastic. Available in a variety of colors, with the exception of orange tags, which are reserved for Brucellosis and official calfhood vaccinations (Bangs, OCV).

Official number:
• 9-character format, beginning with a state two-digit code followed by three letters and four numbers
  48 - Kansas
  Ex: 48ABC1234
• In Kansas, the letters on an OCV-specific NUES tag begins with a “V”
  Ex: 48VBT1234

Special comments:
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Material Type:
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Official number:
• 9-character format, beginning with a state two-digit code followed by three letters and four numbers
  48 - Kansas
  Ex: 48ABC1234
• In Kansas, the letters on an OCV-specific NUES tag begins with a “V”
  Ex: 48VBT1234

Special comments:
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Animal ID Numbers (AIN)  
Manufacturer Coded  
& American ID

NO LONGER considered Official ID for new application
Material Type:
Plastic. May be a variety of colors.

Official number:

Manufacturer Coded:
- 15-digit number
- First three numbers are in a 900 series
  Ex: 985
- All 15 digits must be recorded for official papers

American ID:
- 8-12 digit number preceded by the letters “USA”
- Ex: USA123456789
- The entire number, including USA, must be recorded on official papers

Special comments:
These tags will not have a US shield. These tags are official for the life of the animal if applied prior to March 11, 2015. These tags are not official if applied on or after March 11, 2015.

How to order:
These tags can no longer be ordered.
### BackTags

**Material Type:**
Paper.

**Official number:**
- 8-digit number
- First two numbers indicate state origin
  - 48 - KS
- Following two letters indicate livestock market
  - Ex: 48XX1234

**Special comments:**
Backtags are temporary identification issued to animals at livestock markets, not to be used for interstate travel except for animals moving directly to an approved slaughter facility.

**How to order:**
Markets may contact the Kansas area USDA-APHIS office at (785) 228-6565.
4-H Tags

Material Type:

Official number:
840-AIN RFID
• 15-digit number
• First three numbers indicate country of origin
  Ex: USA - 840
Manufacturer Coded RFID
• 15-digit number
• First three numbers are in a 900 series
  Ex: 982

Special comments:
840-AIN RFID tags without a US shield are not considered official identification, and they should not be applied. Manufacturer Coded RFID tags will not have a US Shield. These tags are only official ID for Kansas 4-H and will not be accepted for interstate movement.

How to order:
These tags can only be ordered through the Extension District and/or through county offices. For more information regarding the 4-H EID program, please visit: www.butler.k-state.edu/eid or call (316) 321-9660.
Animal Identification Number (AIN) 840 Tags

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Animal Identification Number
(AIN) 840 Tags

Material Type:

Official number:
• 15-digit number
• First three numbers indicate country of origin
  840 - USA
  124 - Canada
  484 - Mexico
• All 15 digits should be recorded for official paperwork

Special comments:
Older tags may not have a US shield. Tags without a US shield are not considered official identification, and they should not be applied.

How to order:
Tags can be ordered directly from the manufacturer.

US
National Uniform Eartagging System (NUES)
Other Names:
Metal tags, silver tags, brite tags, USDA tags, TB tags, test tags

Material Type:
Metal or plastic. Available in any number of colors.

Official number:
• 8- or 9-character format, beginning with a state two-digit code followed by two letters and four numbers.
  48 - Kansas
  Ex: 48AB1234 or 48ABC1234

Special comments:
Older tags may not have a US shield. Tags without a US shield are not considered official identification, and they should not be applied.

How to order:
Veterinarians and producers can order tags from the USDA by calling (785) 228-6565.
Animal ID Numbers (AIN)  
Manufacturer Coded

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Animal ID Numbers (AIN)  
Manufacturer Coded

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Material Type:
Plastic. May be a variety of colors. Only Radio Frequency Identification (RFID, Electronic ID, EID).

Official number:
- 15-digit number
- First three numbers are in a 900 series
  Ex: 985
- All 15 digits should be recorded for official paperwork

Special comments:
These tags will not have a US shield. These tags are official for the life of the animal if applied prior to March 11, 2015. These tags are not official if applied on or after March 11, 2015.

How to order:
These tags can no longer be ordered.
Animal Identification Number (AIN) 840 Tags

Material Type:

Official number:
- 15-digit number
- First three numbers indicate country of origin
  840 - USA
  124 - Canada
  484 - Mexico
- All 15 digits should be recorded for official paperwork

Special comments:
Older tags may not have a US shield. Tags without a US shield are not considered official identification, and they should not be applied.

How to order:
Tags can be ordered directly from the manufacturer.

Material Type:

Official number:
- 15-digit number
- First three numbers indicate country of origin
  840 - USA
  124 - Canada
  484 - Mexico
- All 15 digits should be recorded for official paperwork

Special comments:
Older tags may not have a US shield. Tags without a US shield are not considered official identification, and they should not be applied.

How to order:
Tags can be ordered directly from the manufacturer.
National Uniform Eartagging System (NUES)

Other Names:
Metal tags, silver tags, brite tags, USDA tags, TB tags, test tags

Material Type:
Metal or plastic. Available in any number of colors.

Official number:
- 8- or 9-character format, beginning with a state two-digit code followed by two letters and four numbers.
  48 - Kansas
  Ex: 48AB1234 or 48ABC1234

Special comments:
Older tags may not have a US shield. Tags without a US shield are not considered official identification, and they should not be applied.

How to order:
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Other Names:
Metal tags, silver tags, brite tags, USDA tags, TB tags, test tags

Material Type:
Metal or plastic. Available in any number of colors.

Official number:
- 8- or 9-character format, beginning with a state two-digit code followed by two letters and four numbers.
  48 - Kansas
  Ex: 48AB1234 or 48ABC1234

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Animal ID Numbers (AIN)
Manufacturer Coded

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Animal ID Numbers (AIN)
Manufacturer Coded

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Material Type:
Plastic. May be a variety of colors. Only Radio Frequency Identification (RFID, Electronic ID, EID).

Official number:
• 15-digit number
• First three numbers are in a 900 series
  Ex: 985
• All 15 digits should be recorded for official paperwork

Special comments:
These tags will not have a US shield. These tags are official for the life of the animal if applied prior to March 11, 2015. These tags are not official if applied on or after March 11, 2015.

How to order:
These tags can no longer be ordered.

NO LONGER considered Official ID for new application
**PIN Tags**

**Other Names:**
Pink tags, barcode tags.

**Material Type:**
Plastic. Available in a variety of colors.

**Official number:**
Begins with a state abbreviation, followed by the US Shield and then the Premises ID Number, consisting of three letters and four numbers.
Ex: KS US ABC1234

**Special comments:**
Older tags may not have a US shield. Tags without a US shield are not considered official identification, and they should not be applied.

**How to order:**
Producers may order directly from authorized manufacturers after they have received a valid Premises ID Number through KDAH. For more ordering information visit www.pork.org/PIN.
Material Type:
Paper.

Official number:
- 8-digit number
- First two numbers indicate state origin 48 - KS
- Following two letters indicate livestock market.
  Ex: 48XX1234

Special comments:
Backtags are temporary identification issued to animals at livestock markets, not to be used for interstate travel except for animals moving directly to an approved slaughter facility.

How to order:
Markets may contact the Kansas area USDA-APHIS office at (785) 228-6565.
**4-H Tags**

**Material Type:**

**Official number:**
840-AIN RFID
- 15-digit number
- First three numbers indicate country of origin
  Ex: USA - 840

Manufacturer Coded RFID
- 15-digit number
- First three numbers are in a 900 series
  Ex: 982

**Special comments:**
840-AIN RFID tags without a US shield are not considered official identification, and they should not be applied. Manufacturer Coded RFID tags will not have a US Shield. These tags are only official ID for Kansas 4-H and will not be accepted for interstate movement.

**How to order:**
These tags can only be ordered through the Extension District and/or through county offices. For more information regarding the 4-H EID program, please visit: www.butler.k-state.edu/eid or call (316) 321-9660.
Animal Identification Number (AIN) 840 Tags

[Images of 840 tags with numbers 31 and 6789]
Material Type:

Official number:
• 15-digit number
• First three numbers indicate country of origin
  840 - USA
  124 - Canada
  484 - Mexico
• All 15 digits should be recorded for official paperwork

Special comments:
Older tags may not have a US shield. Tags without a US shield are not considered official identification, and they should not be applied.

How to order:
Tags can be ordered directly from the manufacturer.
**Scrapie Tags**

**Material Type:**
Metal or plastic, non-Radio Frequency Identification.
- **White plastic/metal** for animals destined for breeding.
- **Blue plastic/metal** for animals destined for slaughter.
- **Red metal** for live scrapie positive animals.
- **Yellow metal** for permanently restricted at-risk animals.

**Official number:**

**Flock Tags**
- 7-character number
- State postal abbreviations, followed by a unique herd management number (up to 6 characters)

**Serial Tags**

**Plastic tags:**
- 8-character number
- State postal abbreviation, followed by a letter/number combination, then four numbers.
- Ex: KS1A2345 or KSA12345

**Metal tags:**
- 8-character number
- State postal abbreviation, followed by two letters and four numbers
- Ex: KSAB1234

**Special comments:**
Older tags may not have a US shield. Tags without a US shield are not considered official identification, and they should not be applied.

**How to order:**
Tags may be ordered by calling the Kansas area USDA at (785) 228-6565. More information is available at www.eradicatescrapie.org.
4-H Tags

Material Type:

Official number:
Manufacturer Coded RFID
• 15-digit number
• First three numbers are in a 900 series
Ex: 982

Special comments:
These tags will not have a US shield. These tags are official for the life of the animal if applied prior to March 11, 2015. These tags are not official if applied on or after March 11, 2015.

How to order:
These tags can only be ordered through the Extension District and/or through county offices. For more information regarding the 4-H EID program, please visit: www.butler.k-state.edu/eid or call (316) 321-9660.

Not official ID for interstate movement

Material Type:

Official number:
Manufacturer Coded RFID
• 15-digit number
• First three numbers are in a 900 series
Ex: 982

Special comments:
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How to order:
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Not official ID for interstate movement
Animal Identification Number (AIN) Tags

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Animal Identification Number (AIN) 840 Tags

Material Type:

Official number:
- 15-digit number
- First three numbers indicate country of origin
  840 - USA
  124 - Canada
  484 - Mexico
- All 15 digits should be recorded for official paperwork

Special comments:
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Special comments:
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How to order:
Tags can be ordered directly from the manufacturer.
**Scrapie Tags**

**Material Type:**
Metal or plastic, non-Radio Frequency Identification.
- White plastic/metal for animals destined for breeding.
- Blue plastic/metal for animals destined for slaughter.
- Red metal for live scrapie positive animals.
- Yellow metal for permanently restricted at-risk animals.

**Official number:**

- **Flock Tags**
  - 7-character number
  - State postal abbreviations, followed by a unique herd management number (up to 6 characters)

- **Serial Tags**
  - Plastic tags:
    - 8-character number
    - State postal abbreviation, followed by a letter/number combination, then four numbers.
    - Ex: KS1A2345 or KSA12345
  - Metal tags:
    - 8-character number
    - State postal abbreviation, followed by two letters and four numbers
    - Ex: KSAB1234

**Special comments:**
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4-H Tags

KS MGOAT 16621

KS MGOAT 85676

KS MGOAT 58465
4-H Tags

Material Type:

Official number:
Manufacturer Coded RFID
- 15-digit number
- First three numbers are in a 900 series
  Ex: 982

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