

Directorate of Veterinary Services
Sub-division: Traceability, Medicine Control and Advisory Services



What is NamLITS?

NamLITS is a Namibian Livestock Identification and Traceability System used for the identification and traceability of livestock in Namibia. The system is under the administration of the Directorate of Veterinary Services and is accessible from anywhere in the country.

Importance of NamLITS:

- Issue livestock movement permits for livestock moving from farm to farm, gathering events such as auctions as well as abattoirs for slaughter
- Provides reports such as herd statement which is a summary of all the livestock registered on a livestock keepers stockbrand and 90/40-day reports for animals moving to an export abattoir for slaughter such as MeatCo and Beefcor
- Termination of livestock that have slaughtered or died due to natural causes for an accurate herd count
- Transfer of livestock from one stockbrand to another when livestock are sold to another livestock keeper

Requirements for a livestock keeper to be registered on NamLITS?

- Stockbrand certificate or stockbrand card both issued by the MeatBoard of Namibia- Stockbrand Office
- Certified copy of the ID document
- Title deed, lease agreement or a traditional authority letter as proof of ownership of the place where the livestock are kept
- Complete a notification of holding form available at any district veterinary office.

STOCKBRANDS

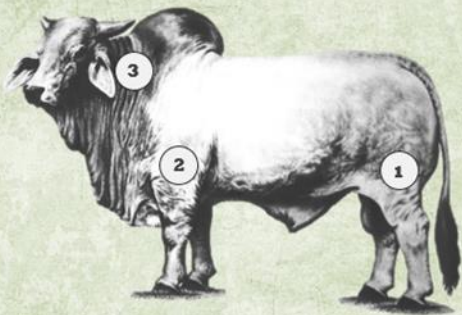
What is a stockbrand?

Is a unique number and letter combination used to identify animals issued by the MeatBoard of Namibia. All individuals keeping livestock are required by law to register for a stockbrand within 14 days of keeping livestock.



The stockbrand is applied on the livestock once the livestock keeper is issued a stockbrand as a means of identification.

BRANDING OF LIVESTOCK
STOCK BRANDS ACT (ACT NO 24 OF 1995)




BRANDING IRON SIZE
A
Min 30mmx30mm
A
Max 100mmx100mm

BRANDING ORDER


- ❖ 1st owner: left hind leg
- ❖ 2nd owner: left shoulder
- ❖ 3rd owner: left neck
- ❖ 4th owner: right hind leg
- ❖ 5th owner: right shoulder
- ❖ 6th owner: right neck

BRANDING AGE

- ❖ By six (6) months of age

 FARM ASSURED NAMIBIAN


BRANDING OF LIVESTOCK
STOCK BRANDS ACT (ACT NO 24 OF 1995)
As amended in 2004



All sheep and goats must receive either an ear tag or a tattoo with the owner's stock brand by the age of 3 months or sooner if sold or moved from the farm earlier.

TAGGING ORDER AND PLACEMENT

- ❖ 1st owner: left ear further from head
- ❖ 2nd owner: right ear further from head
- ❖ 3rd owner: left ear closer to head
- ❖ 4th owner: right ear closer to head

 FARM ASSURED NAMIBIAN

There are three types of stockbrands which are issued as per stockbrand area

1. Commercial stockbrands
2. Communal stockbrands
3. STUD stockbrand

Requirements for applying for a stockbrand:

- Commercial stockbrand: title deed or lease agreement
- Communal stockbrand: traditional authority letter
- STUD stockbrand: registered member with a Pedigree or breeders association
- Certified copy of ID documents
- Application fee (subjected to annual price increase)
- Takes a maximum of 2 weeks to process at the MeatBoard of Namibia Stockbrands Office

LIVESTOCK MOVEMENT PERMITS

What is a livestock movement permit?

It is legal document that allows for the movement of livestock from one place to another. It is valid for 14 days from the date of issue and must be returned to the nearest state veterinary office after use for a single movement.

Requirements for applying for a livestock movement permit:

- Stockbrand card/certificate
- Official, valid ID card
- Name of establishment (farm) where applicant (livestock keeper) registered on NamLITS
- Complete the application form for a livestock movement permit on NamLITS Online or at your local state veterinary office

EAR TAGS

Before a livestock keeper can purchase ear tags, a manual ear tag quota is required and

A manual ear tag quota is the number of ear tags that a farmer qualifies to buy based on number of ear tags registrations and replacements done in the past 2 years. The quota is issued by the district state veterinarian of the area where the livestock keeper is farming.

What are ear tags?


Official, approved devices used to identify prescribed animals. They are made up of a two-piece RFID and plastic conventional ear tag approved for identification in Namibia.

NB: Once the ear tag is placed on the ear of the animal, it remains on the animal for life. It is against the law to temper or remove ear tags.

Important features of an official ear tags:

1. Ear tag identification number

Ear tags for the NCA:

	F	Alpha Code denoting the Animal Disease Zone
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	2600161	Seven numerical digit serial number starting from 0000001 for each Animal Disease Zone
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F-Infected zone

P-Protection zone

Ear tags for the free zone:



2. Ear tag colours

Colour	Area
White	FMD Infected Zone (Zambezi Region, Mukwe Constituency of Kavango East)
Orange	FMD Protection Zone (Ohangwena, Oshana, Oshikoto nVCF, Omusati, Kavango West and parts of Kavango East west of Mukwe Constituency, Kunene nVCF and Tsumkwe Constituency (Otjozondjupa Region))
Yellow	FMD free zone, South of the Veterinary Cordon Fence

Which animal types should be tagged by law?

All livestock (cattle, sheep and goats) are required by law to be identified by means of official ear tags whether they are residing North or South of the Veterinary Cordon Fence (Red line)

Cattle at 6 months of age or upon first movement

Small stock (Sheep and Goats) at 3 months or upon first movement

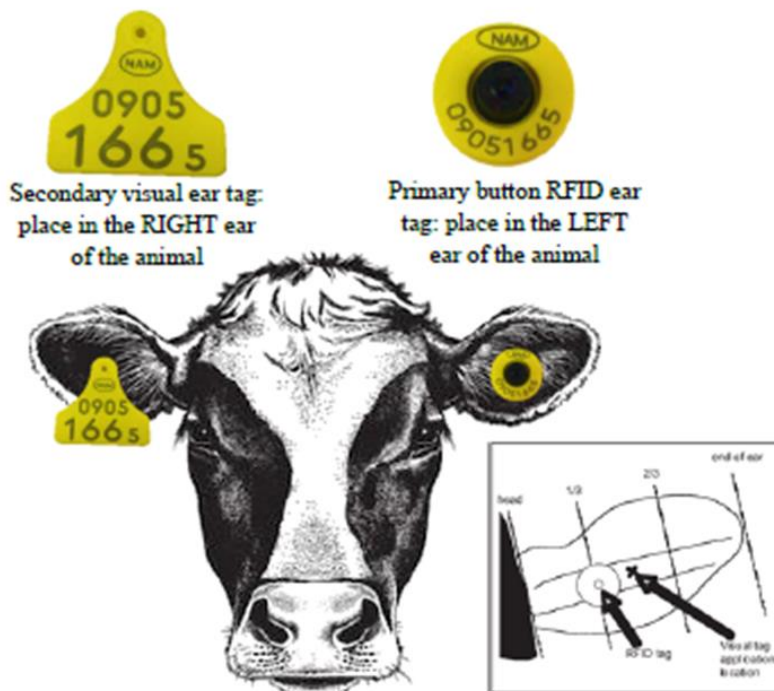


Importance of tagging livestock

- Tracking stray, lost or dead animals
- Identification of livestock
- Movement control during disease outbreaks
- Record animal health events and movements
- Compulsory by law

How to tag your livestock?

IDENTIFICATION OF CATTLE



Documents required when purchasing ear tags:

- Form 20 as per the Animal Identification Regulation in terms of the Animal Health Act (Act 01 of 2011) to be completed by stock brand owner at your nearest state veterinary office and the MeatBoard of Namibia
- Certified id copy of stock brand owner.
- Certified copy of Stock brand certificate.

**Clients can forward their orders to the following email address:**

Eartags@nammic.com.na

Eartags2@nammic.com.na

They can call the following numbers to confirm if their orders has n received:

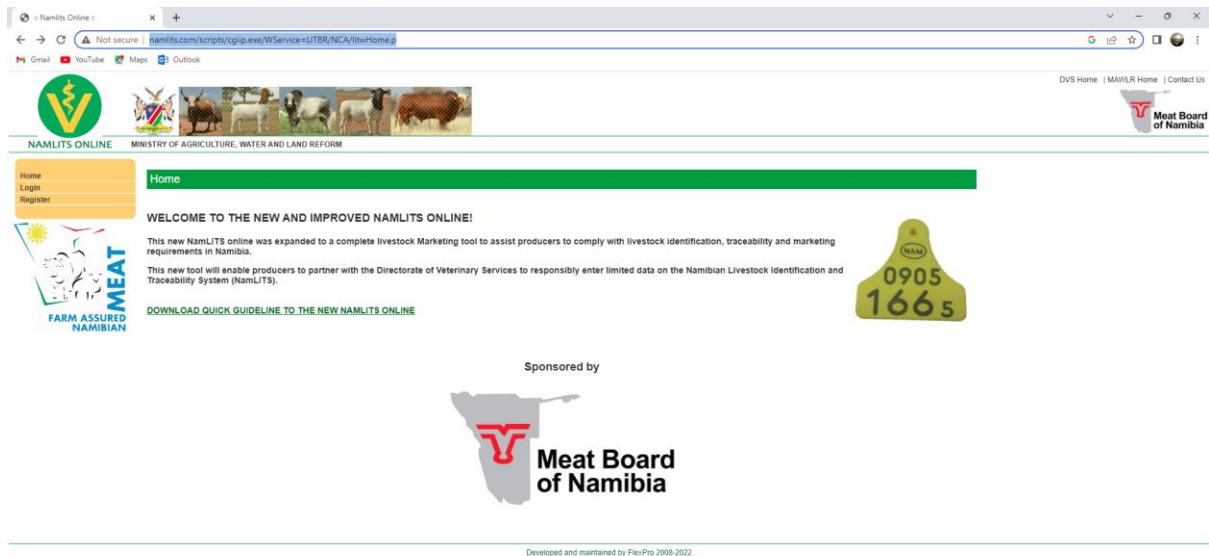
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061-275864

Courier fees is to be paid by client.

NAMLITS ONLINE**What is NamLITS Online?**

NamLITS Online is a web-based extension of the NamLITS live system that allows farmers to perform functions related to herd such as registration of new ear tags, apply for movement permits and manage their herd related information.



What do you need to register for a NamLITS Online account?

- Registered stockbrand
- Livestock keeper key (unique ID number on the NamLITS assigned to each registered stockbrand)
- An e-mail address
- Stable, reliable internet connection

How to register for NamLITS Online

Step 1: Access the NamLITS online

webpage: <http://www.namlits.com/scripts/cgiip.exe/WSservice=LITBR/NCA/litwHome.p>

Step 2: On the welcome page, click on "ENTER HERE"

Step 3: On the home page, select "Register" in the list on the left side of the page

Step 4: Complete the required fields marked with a * on the Registration page

Step 5: Select "Submit" on the right bottom of the page once you are satisfied with the information provided to complete registration. Next time you want to use NamLITS online, you will select "Login" instead of "Register" on the home page.

Functions available to the user on NamLITS Online

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