

## **AIN “840” Tag Distribution Guidance for Accredited Veterinarians**

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Animal Identification Number (AIN) or “840” tags can be used whenever official individual animal identification is needed. These tags use a standardized 15-digit numbering system – the first three numbers are always “840”. The “840” tags may only be applied to animals born in the USA and must be associated with a premises identification number (PIN).

Veterinarians and producers may purchase AIN tags from tag manufacturers and livestock supply companies. A list of approved tags can be accessed online at [https://www.aphis.usda.gov/traceability/downloads/ADT\\_device\\_ain.pdf](https://www.aphis.usda.gov/traceability/downloads/ADT_device_ain.pdf).

A premises identification number (PIN) is needed prior to purchasing tags. PINs are available through NDA by submitting the form at <https://nda.nebraska.gov/adt/PremisesID-Form.pdf>.

840 AIN tag distribution or application must be recorded. Maintain complete and readily accessible tag distribution/application records **in-clinic** for a minimum of 5 years.

840 AIN tags applied to heifers as official calfhood vaccination tags must continue to be recorded on a VS Form 4-26 Brucellosis Vaccination Record and submitted within 30 days to NDA (245 Fallbrook Blvd. Suite 200 Lincoln, NE 68521 OR PO Box 94787, Lincoln, NE 68509-4787) or scanned and emailed to [agr.records.ne@nebraska.gov](mailto:agr.records.ne@nebraska.gov).