



New South Wales

# **Biosecurity (National Livestock Identification System) Amendment (Pig Standards) Regulation 2018**

under the

Biosecurity Act 2015

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Biosecurity Act 2015*.

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Minister for Primary Industries

## **Explanatory note**

The object of this Regulation is to amend the *Biosecurity (National Livestock Identification System) Regulation 2017* in relation to the identification and tracing of the movement of pigs. The proposed amendments are made in line with the *National Livestock Identification System—NLIS Pig Standards*, which were approved at the Agricultural Ministers' Forum on 26 July 2017.

This Regulation is made under the *Biosecurity Act 2015*, including sections 24 and 404 (the general regulation-making power).

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### **1 Name of Regulation**

This Regulation is the *Biosecurity (National Livestock Identification System) Amendment (Pig Standards) Regulation 2018*.

### **2 Commencement**

This Regulation commences on the day on which it is published on the NSW legislation website.

## Schedule 1 Amendment of Biosecurity (National Livestock Identification System) Regulation 2017

### [1] Clause 3 Interpretation

Omit the definitions of *NLIS administrator*, *NLIS Ltd*, *permanent identifier*, *permanent identifier for pigs* and *previous property* from clause 3 (1).

Insert in alphabetical order:

*NLIS administrator* means Integrity Systems Company Limited (ACN 134 745 038), or such other person or body approved by the Secretary under clause 56.

*permanent brand identifier for pigs*—see clause 17 (10).

*permanent identifier* means:

- (a) a breeder or post breeder device that is fully or conditionally accredited by the NLIS administrator as a permanent identifier for the particular species of stock, or
- (b) additionally, in the case of pigs, a permanent brand identifier for pigs.

*PigPass database* means the database maintained by Australian Pork Limited.

*previous property* means, in relation to identifiable stock, the last property at which the stock was held, being a farm property or a property required to have a property identification code under clause 6.

### [2] Clause 3 (1), definition of “NLIS movement document”

Insert “buyer reconciliation report or” before “post-sale summary” in paragraph (c).

### [3] Clause 17 Proper identification of identifiable stock

Omit clause 17 (5) and (6). Insert instead:

- (5) More than one permanent identifier that is a post-breeder device may be attached to sheep, goats or pigs.
- (6) Only one permanent identifier that is a breeder device may be attached to sheep, goats or pigs.
- (6A) A breeder device must only be attached to identifiable stock on the property on which the stock was born.

### [4] Clause 17 (7) (c)

Omit the paragraph.

### [5] Clause 17 (8)–(10)

Insert after clause 17 (7):

- (8) A permanent identifier is to be attached to identifiable stock in the case of pigs as follows:
  - (a) if the permanent identifier is a permanent brand identifier for pigs—so that the characters on the brand are impressed through the skin of the pig and can be easily read, or
  - (b) if the permanent identifier is a breeder device or post breeder device—by attaching it to the ear of the pig in a way that allows the property identification code on the identifier to be easily read.
- (9) A permanent brand identifier for pigs is not to be attached to a pig weighing 25 kilograms or less.

- (10) In this clause, a *permanent brand identifier for pigs* is:
- (a) a carbon based ink or paste brand applied to one or more shoulders of the pig, in a form containing the final 6 characters of the property identification code of the property on which the brand is applied that:
    - (i) is no more than 53 millimetres wide, and
    - (ii) has the characters set out on 2 equal rows, one above the other, and
    - (iii) is applied so that the characters are clearly visible and are at least 20 millimetres high with spaces between the characters of between 2 and 3 millimetres, or
  - (b) a brand applied to one or more sides of the rump of the pig by an authorised officer.

**[6] Clause 19 Exempt movements of stock**

Omit clause 19 (f). Insert instead:

- (f) the identifiable stock being moved is a pig, but only if:
  - (i) the pig will continue to be owned by the same person following the move, and
  - (ii) the pig is not moved for the purposes of a stock event or to a saleyard for sale, and
  - (iii) the property on which the pig is normally kept and the property to which the pig will be moved is accredited by the Australian Pork Industry Quality Assurance Program, and the accreditation is in force, and
  - (iv) any movement of the pig is recorded in the PigPass database within 2 days of the pig being moved.

**[7] Clauses 23 (2), 34 (c), 35 (5), 37 (2) and 38 (2)**

Insert “(or 3 years in the case of pigs)” after “7 years” wherever occurring.

**[8] Clause 35 Stock and station agents and saleyards**

Omit “(other than pigs)” wherever occurring in clause 35 (6).

**[9] Clause 37 (4)**

Insert after clause 37 (3):

- (4) This clause does not apply to identifiable stock that is a pig arriving at a farm property if:
  - (a) the pig will continue to be owned by the same person following the pig’s arrival, and
  - (b) the pig is not arriving for the purposes of a stock event or show or to be sold by public auction at the farm property, and
  - (c) the farm property is accredited by the Australian Pork Industry Quality Assurance Program, and the accreditation is in force, and
  - (d) the arrival of the pig is recorded in the PigPass database within 2 days of the pig’s delivery.

**[10] Part 4, Division 2, heading**

Omit “(other than pigs)”.

**[11] Clauses 41 (g), 43 (2) (e), 43 (4), 44 (4) (b) and 45 (2) (c)**

Omit “sheep or goats” wherever occurring. Insert instead “sheep, goats or pigs”.

**[12] Clause 42**

Omit the clause.

**[13] Clause 57 Provision of information to NLIS administrator and other persons**

Insert after clause 57 (2):

- (2A) Information required to be provided under this Regulation to the NLIS administrator or another person in relation to pigs is to be provided on the PigPass database.