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Dear Keeper

# Diseases of Animals (Pigs, Goats and Sheep Registration, Identification and Movement) (Jersey) Order 2007

Your holding number for Sheep, goats and pigs (delete as applicable) is: UK 03 \_ \_ \_

Thank you for registering your livestock. I would like to remind you that:

#### Ear tags

• All animals have to be double ear tagged before they are 6 months old or in any case before they are moved off a holding except pigs, sheep and goats which are raised on the holding of birth which go directly to the abattoir before they reach 1 year of age.

• You should order ear tags as needed from RJA&HS tel 866555. The ear tags show the letters "UK" followed by a five digit number unique to your holding premises, a two digit species identifier sheep **01**, goats **02**, pigs **03** and an individual number (five digits).

• The ear tags for each species of animal differ in size and shape and possibly colour (they will not be red).

#### **Movements**

• When moving an animal to another holding, other than the abattoir, a person must **not** move an animal before it has been correctly identified with an ear tag in each ear.

• The person receiving the animals must have a holding number. If the person does not have a holding number he/she will need to register.

#### Abattoir

• Animals over the age of 1 year must be double ear tagged before movement off the holding direct to the abattoir

• Sheep and goats under 12 months of age consigned to the abattoir must have at least one ear tag which has the Jersey area code UK03 and the holding number.

• A pig under 12 months of age consigned to the abattoir must have a slap mark on both shoulders showing the holding number *or* at least one ear tag which has the Jersey area code UK03 and the holding number *or* be double ear tagged

### Register

• To help you meet the requirement to complete a register one is enclosed with some examples.

• Keepers must record the birth, death, tagging (including replacement ear tags) and movement of animals within 36 hours of the event in a register.

• Alternatively, if you wish to keep an electronic version you can download from the Government of Jersey website page; <u>Keeping and moving livestock</u>

#### Waste Food

• It is illegal to feed waste food, whether raw or cooked from household kitchens and from any other premises to pigs. Viruses which cause serious diseases such as Foot and Mouth can be transmitted by feeding waste food containing meat or which has been in contact with meat.

• If you are uncertain about what can or cannot be fed to your pigs please contact the department.

## **Tags and Slap mark**

• To order tags or a slap mark you will need to contact the Royal Jersey Agricultural & Horticultural Society (RJA) (tel 866555).

For information on registration, identification and movement, notifiable diseases, welfare codes and the abattoir and knackersyard service this can be found on the Government of Jersey website page; Keeping and moving livestock

If you are having difficulty with any of the provisions of the Order and would like further advice please contact me.

If you know anyone who has animals and has not registered as keepers of pigs, sheep or goats, please ask them to contact the RJA&HS to register.

The Environment Department is obliged to carry out on-the-spot inspections.

Enclosed: Farm registers, welfare code,