

# NAIT ANIMAL MOVEMENTS

This factsheet outlines the legal obligations for a person in charge of NAIT animals (PICA) moving NAIT animals.

It is a **legal requirement** for a PICA to record all movements of NAIT animals on and off their registered NAIT location(s) in the NAIT online system.

Recording animal movements ensures lifetime traceability of individual NAIT animals.

- NAIT animals not tagged with a NAIT approved RFID tag **cannot move** to a different NAIT location, (exemptions apply under the NAIT Act. See back page for more details).
- Both the sending PICA and receiving PICA have an equal responsibility to ensure their side of the animal movement is completed, **within 48 hours** of the movement taking place:
  - The **sending PICA must create or confirm a sending movement** when NAIT animals leave their NAIT location; and
  - The **receiving PICA must create or confirm a receiving movement** when NAIT animals arrive at their NAIT location.

## INFORMATION REQUIRED WHEN CREATING OR CONFIRMING A MOVEMENT:

- The **NAIT number** at the location the animals have **moved from**
- The **NAIT number** at the location the animals have **moved to**
- The **date** the animals moved;
- The individual RFID or NAIT visual ID **tag numbers** of the animals moved.



## MOVEMENTS WITHIN A REGISTERED NAIT LOCATION

Contiguous (bordering) or non-contiguous properties managed by the same person in charge of animals (PICA), falling within a 10km radius, may be managed as a single NAIT location and be allocated a single NAIT number.

Animal movements between properties registered as the same NAIT location do not require a recorded NAIT movement. However, all animal movements to a separate NAIT location **must** be recorded in the NAIT online system;

this includes movements to a different property within a 10km radius.

It is best practice that herds managed separately are registered as separate NAIT locations, so each will have a unique NAIT number. This means animal movements recorded in the NAIT online system are traceable to the specific herd location, and it is easier to trace and contain any disease outbreaks that may occur.

When managing large numbers of NAIT animal movements the fastest and most accurate way of creating or confirming movements, is by using an **RFID scanner and uploading a scan file**. OSPRI strongly encourages you to scan all NAIT animals moved onto your property.



## HOW TO RECORD A NAIT MOVEMENT

### 1. Identify the sending/receiving NAIT numbers

- If you have received animals, the sending NAIT number will be provided on the accompanying ASD form.
- If moving animals through a stock agent, make sure they provide you with the NAIT number at the location the animals are moving to.
- If required, you can search for a NAIT number in your NAIT online account.
- If you're unable to identify the correct NAIT number for the location you have moved animals to or from, contact OSPRI. We can assist you with recording the movement.

### 2. Identify the animals

- Ensure all animals are tagged with a NAIT approved RFID tag.
- If you are sending animals, make sure you have registered the animals in the NAIT online system.
- Use an RFID reader or visually read the tag numbers of the animals you are sending or have received.

### 3. Record the movement in the NAIT online system

- If the other PICA has already recorded their side of the movement, you will be presented with a movement to confirm in your NAIT online account:
  - Check that the details are correct before confirming the movement.

- You can reject or partially reject a movement if the tag numbers or details are incorrect.
- You can amend the date to reflect when the animals arrived on or were sent from your property.
- If the other PICA has not yet recorded the movement, select 'create movement' from your PICA homepage and follow the prompts on screen.

## MOVEMENT EXEMPTIONS

### MOVEMENTS TO ACCREDITED ENTITIES

A PICA farmer is **not required** to create a sending movement when moving animals to a NAIT accredited entity operating as a **meat processor or saleyard**. Accredited entities have a responsibility to complete this movement on behalf of the sending PICA.

If a PICA receives animals from an accredited entity, they must confirm or record the receiving movement in the NAIT online system, within 48 hours of the movement taking place. For example, farmers purchasing from saleyards are required to complete their receiving movement to confirm animals received onto their property.

Animal movements between accredited entities, e.g. saleyard to meat processor, must be recorded as both a sending and receiving movement by each entity. An accredited entity must monitor their action required movements, so that all movements are recorded and confirmed within 48 hours.

## MOVEMENTS OF ANIMALS EXEMPT FROM TAGGING

Fallow deer and trophy stags moving to a game estate, safari park or zoo are exempt from NAIT tagging and registration requirements. However, as a condition of the exemption, the sending and receiving PICAs must record exempt animal movements in the NAIT online system.

Calves under 30 days old consigned direct to slaughter (bobby calves) are exempt from tagging and movement requirements. Animals considered too dangerous to tag qualify for an Unsafe to tag (UTT) exemption provided they are going direct to slaughter. UTT animals must be clearly marked and declared in NAIT prior to moving and will incur a \$13 levy (excluding GST) at the meat processor.

## MOVING LOCATION?

A NAIT number is fixed to a NAIT location. In the event that a PICA moves to a new farm they must either:

- Apply for the existing NAIT number at the new location to be assigned to them, or
- Register a new NAIT number for the new location.

The PICA will need to ensure they record any NAIT animal movements from their previous NAIT number to their new NAIT number.

This NAIT factsheet will be updated in accordance with the *National Animal Identification and Tracing Amendment Bill 2018*.



### STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

For step-by-step instructions on how to complete a NAIT animal movement please see the 'NAIT system user guide' available online at [ospri.co.nz](http://ospri.co.nz)



### NEED HELP?

For more information on NAIT animal movements, call OSPRI on:

**0800 482 463**  
or visit: [ospri.co.nz](http://ospri.co.nz)

Our friendly team are available Monday-Friday 7am-6pm.