



## IMPORTANT TAGGING INFORMATION

All pigs born on your holding must be identified before leaving the holding of birth. You can identify your pigs by an eartag or a tattoo (either on the ear or a slapmark on the shoulder. All pigs must have approved UK tags prior to arrival.

### The Identifiers.

- **Eartags** : must contain the letters 'UK' followed by your herdmark, for example UKAB1234.
- **Tattoos** : must show your herdmark, the letters 'UK' are optional. A tattoo must be applied by tattoo forceps to the ear of the pig.

**Getting Started** : In order to keep pigs you are required to register where they are kept (known as the holding) with your local Rural Payments and Inspections Directorate (RPID) Office within 30 days from the date you first keep pigs.

RPID will approve you with a County Parish Holding (CPH) number which is a unique code allocated to the land where animals are kept. The CPH code is used when reporting and recording animal movements. It is important that you obtain your CPH number before you move pigs on or off your holding. You must also inform your local Animal Health Veterinary Laboratory Agency (AHVLA) Divisional Office, Tel: 01467 626610, where you are going to keep pigs and they will give you a herdmark for your holding. The herdmark is allocated to the holding and must be used to identify all animals born on the holding.

If you cease to keep pigs on your holding you must inform your local AHVLA Office within 30 days from the date you last kept pigs.

Notification of movement should be intimated to SCOT EID at [www.scoteid.com](http://www.scoteid.com) or by telephone to the SCOT EID Information Centre On 01466 794323. A copy of the Movement Document **MUST** Accompany the pigs during the move.