

Form ID

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DESCRIPTION OF NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION SYSTEMS

Country (or countries)	United States of America
Breed(s) of animal	Holstein, Jersey, Brown Swiss, Ayrshire, Red & White and Guernsey
Rules to define breed codes¹⁾	RED is used for animals enrolled with the Red & White Dairy Cattle Association. Recently the same ID number has been used for both HOL & RED when an animal is dual registered.

Distinct ID number ranges²⁾ for

breeds:

Yes

No

If yes please state valid number ranges for each breed

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sexes:

Yes

No

If yes please state valid number ranges for each sex

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birth years:

Yes

No

If yes please state valid number ranges for each birth year

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regions/herds:

Yes

No

If yes please state valid number ranges for regions/herds

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others :

Re-use of ID numbers

Yes

No

If yes please state rules for re-use

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Information on semen straws

The 17 byte national ID and a code consisting of stud, breed, and bull within stud.

National vs international ID

The national ID has a 2 character breed code, and no sex code. WW is used for RED.

¹⁾ 3 character code

²⁾ 12 character code

Reference :

Responsible organization / Contact person :

DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES IN ID SYSTEM

Date of modification of ID system.	American ID introduced in 1997 but not yet adopted by all breeds or owners		
Breed(s) of animal	All		
Changed rules to define breed codes¹⁾	ID number unique across breed and sex. For dual registered animals HO & WW may apply to the same ID number.		
Change of distinct ID number ranges²⁾ for			
breeds:	Yes <input type="text"/>	No <input checked="" type="text"/>	If yes please state valid number ranges for each breed
sexes:	Yes <input type="text"/>	No <input checked="" type="text"/>	If yes please state valid number ranges for each sex
birth years:	Yes <input type="text"/>	No <input checked="" type="text"/>	If yes please state valid number ranges for each birth year
regions/herds:	Yes <input type="text"/>	No <input checked="" type="text"/>	If yes please state valid number ranges for regions/herds
others :			

¹⁾ 3 character code

²⁾ 12 character code

Reference : <http://aipl.arsusda.gov/reference/usaid.html> gives assigned ranges for most recently adopted system

Responsible organization / Contact person : Animal Improvement Programs Laboratory/ George Wiggans

ID Details**Classes of ID**

Eartags RRAAXXXX where RR is a 2 digit state code, AAA is 3 letters, and XXXX is 4 digits. These eartags are unique across breed and sex. They occur rarely as ID of bulls or their ancestors. They are being phased out in favor of American ID.

American ID also are unique across breed and sex. The lowest number is 50 million. Ones with 9 digits have a check digit as the last digit. They were first used in 1997, but have been used on animals born before then.

Breed registration numbers. These numbers are typically within breed and sex although the bull numbers usually are considerably smaller than the cow ones. Most breeds have had grading up programs for cows identified by a leading 36 or 37 in the number. The numbers below give an indication of the ranges of valid numbers.

Ayrshire

Bulls born 1950 and later

100253 to 150418

cows 1975 and later

111382 to

American ID started in 1997

Brown Swiss

Bulls born 1950 or later

99040 to 197555

Cows 1975 and later

589915 to 932118

American ID not yet adopted

Guernsey

bulls born 1950 or later

456835 to 605084

Cows 1975 and later

2665806 to 3082694

American ID adopted in 2003

Holstein bulls

born 1950 to 1994

1094921 to 2302261

1996 to 1997

17000055 to 18063030

Cows 1975 to 1997 Unique across sex starting in 1996

1000000 to 18063156

American ID started in 1997

Jersey

bulls born 1950 to 1994

521704 to 666881

Cows 1975 to 1994

3505991 to 5092260

American ID started in 1997

Red & White bulls & cows 1960 to 1997 (Numbers unique across sex)

236 to 119166

American ID started in 1997