Purchasing electronic tags for sheep and goats

Are you a sheep or goat producer?

You can buy electronic tags at subsidised prices for your 2018 lambs and kids.

Victorian producers can purchase electronic NLIS (Sheep) tags for their 2018 lambs and kids at subsidised prices. Tags are available from $0.45, depending on the type of tag purchased.

What colour tags can I purchase?

Producers can purchase electronic tags of any colour at subsidised prices to identify their 2018 lambs and kids.

Producers can purchase up to 110 per cent of electronic tags purchased through Agriculture Victoria in 2017, to identify their 2018 born lambs and kids.

The allocation to each producer will be based on the number of electronic tags purchased for a particular Property Identification Code (PIC) between 14 November 2016 and 20 November 2017, plus up to an additional 10 per cent. Orders will be automatically rounded up to the nearest 20.

As an example, a producer who purchased 500 electronic tags for their 2017 lambs and kids will be able to purchase 560 electronic tags at the subsidised price, that they can then use to identify the animals born on their property in 2018.

How many subsidised tags can I purchase?

Producers can order more than the additional 10 per cent of subsidised electronic tags if there is a genuine business need and they can provide suitable evidence. Suitable evidence could be copies from recent invoices from the purchase of ewes or pregnancy scanning data. Such requests are considered on a case-by-case basis and should be directed with evidence to nlis.victoria@ecodev.vic.gov.au.

Additional tag purchases without evidence of a demonstrated need will be at the standard retail price.

How to buy tags

To buy tags, visit www.tags.agriculture.vic.gov.au or you may request a paper application form by calling the NLIS helpline on 1800 678 779 during business hours.

Tags can also be purchased via rural supplier outlets.

Online applications must be paid by credit card. Paper applications can be paid by either cheque or credit card.

Tags will typically be delivered within 10 working days of the order being received.

Can I order more tags?

Visit www.agriculture.vic.gov.au/sheepEID or call the NLIS Helpline on 1800 678 779 during business hours.

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