



CANADIAN CATTLE IDENTIFICATION AGENCY LAUNCHES NATIONAL PREMISES IDENTIFICATION LOOK UP

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The [Canadian Cattle Identification Agency](#) (CCIA) is pleased to announce the development of the **National Premises Identification Look Up** tool as the most recent enhancement within the Canadian Livestock Tracking System (CLTS) database – a trace-back system designed for the containment and eradication of animal disease with a cost-effective, timely and national approach.

The National Premises Identification Look Up initiative has been created to address and support:

- Provinces and territories in managing the generation of premises identification numbers (PIDs) by housing their provincially/territorially-generated PIDs in the National Premises Identification Look Up module; as well as
- All Canadian livestock operators and agri-businesses with co-mingling animals that are reporting events to the CLTS database, to verify the validity of the provincially/territorially-generated PID they submit to the CLTS database in real time.

CCIA developed the National Premises Identification Look Up web interface using the PID algorithms (i.e., set of rules) and regularly updated PID lists provided by Canadian provincial/territorial PID program administrators.

The National Premises Identification Look Up process:

When a CLTS user submits an event record with a PID to the CLTS database, the CLTS connects to the National Premises Identification Look Up tool to verify the validity of the submitted PID. First, the look-up tool checks to see if the submitted PID is on the active list of PIDs submitted by provinces/territories. If the PID passes this active list check, the PID is deemed valid and the record is accepted. If the PID fails this active list check, the PID is checked against the algorithm provided by provinces/territories. If the PID fails the algorithm check, the tool sends an email to the CLTS user indicating the PID has been rejected. If the PID passes the algorithm test, the tool marks the PID status as conditional, and repeats the active test approximately one week later. Then if the PID passes the active check, the PID is considered valid, but if the PID fails the active list check a second time, the tool



sends an email to the CLTS user indicating the PID is invalid and advises the CLTS user to contact the provincial/territorial PID program administrator to inquire about the PID status.

“As an industry-led and established organization, the Canadian Cattle Identification Agency has put these CLTS database updates into action to facilitate movement reporting by Canadian livestock producers, and to maximize event data integrity by working with provinces and territories to ensure only valid PIDs are accepted into the CLTS database. By working together with industry and governments to support the principles of traceability, we are continuing to expand the CLTS database’s infrastructure, enhance its technology and boost full system compliance,” affirms CCIA General Manager Brian Caney.

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada funded this critical initiative in support of the animal movement reporting component of Canada’s traceability system. Moving forward, the cattle sector will continue to work with its industry and government partners to identify cost-effective solutions that support industry’s participation in the national system.

Provincial and territorial registrar contact information is available online within the [CLTS Resource Centre](#) > [Frequently Asked Questions](#) > [Premises](#) > [How can I get my premises number](#).

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