# Can You Spot the Difference?

Are you purchasing approved CCIA tags? Be aware of non-compliant commercial RFID tags from farm stores and the internet. While these tags can look similar, they are not recognized in CCIA's database, the Canadian Livestock Tracking System (CLTS). Animals tagged with non-approved tags are considered un-tagged.

## What's the difference?

When identifying an official approved CCIA RFID tag, there are two main identifiers: trademark and the number sequence. Look for the CCIA trademark (3/4 maple leaf with CA logo and numbers beginning with 01 124 or 124.

## CCIA Approved RFID Tags

**LOGO**: CCIA trademark (3/4 Maple Leaf with CA logo) on front of RFID and on back of male stud
**COLOUR**: Yellow ONLY for beef tags outside of Quebec; white - bison, orange - goats, yellow
**BUTTON CAP**: CLOSED
**NUMBER SERIES ON TAG**: Any 15 digit number beginning with 01 (Angus) or 124
**EXCEPTIONS**: White USDA approved tag with number series beginning with 840 prefix only.

## Where to purchase

Ensure you are purchasing approved CCIA tags by ORDERING ONLINE at tags.canadaid.ca or by phone 1-877-909-2333 or visiting your local
**CCIA AUTHORIZED DEALER**

## Non-CCIA RFID Tags

**LOGO**: Manufacturer's or other branded mark
**COLOUR**: Yellow or another colour
**BUTTON CAP**: OPEN or CLOSED
**NUMBER SERIES ON TAG**: Any 15 digit number NOT beginning with 124 prefix
**EXCEPTIONS**: NO exceptions