Dear Show Committee

National Livestock Identification System (NLIS) at shows

As you know all cattle, sheep and goats exhibited at shows must be recorded in the NLIS database. This ensures exhibitors and shows comply with the *Stock Diseases Regulation 2009* and that animals which have been to a show or sporting event are traceable.

Shows are a biosecurity risk because animals from different properties come together and then disperse again. It is in everyone's interests that show committees and exhibitors ensure livestock movements are recorded.

Like previous years you can comply with the NLIS by:

- completing a spreadsheet of all livestock exhibited and send it to the Agricultural Societies Council (ASC) within five days of the show. DPI then uploads this data to the NLIS as movements of *mobs* of cattle, sheep and goats to and from the show, OR
- scanning all cattle devices and uploading this information using the *'Sighted livestock'*, or the *'Livestock moved onto my property'* and *'Livestock moved off my property'* functions available on a 'Sporting event' NLIS account, *and* uploading all movements of sheep and goats to the show as mobs using the *'Mob-based movement onto PIC'* and *'Mob-based movement off PIC'* functions.

The new Biosecurity (NLIS) Regulation will come into effect by June 2017 and will require that show organisers record livestock attendance at shows. This is an increase in responsibility for show committees and DPI will work with the ASC to help shows comply.

Remember, all cattle, sheep and goats have to be identified with an NLIS tag (except for dairy goats) and must be accompanied by an NVD or a Transported Stock Statement.

DPI monitors NLIS compliance at country shows and reports this to the ASC, stock inspectors, and other industry organisations. *Continued non-compliance by shows may lead to regulatory action.*

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