

TATTOOING FOR TRACEABILITY



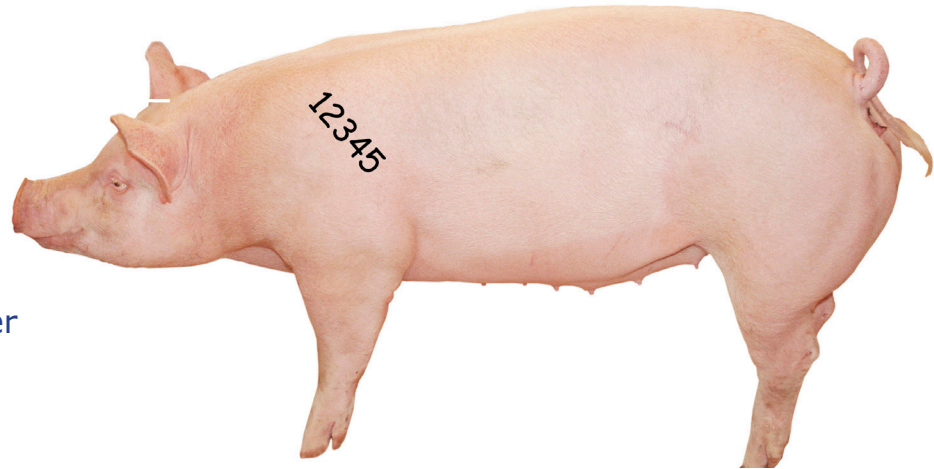
Under proposed federal traceability laws, slap tattoos will be an acceptable method of identification on hogs sent for slaughter. Please make sure that tattoos are 100% readable.

STEP 1: MATERIAL PREPARATION

- * Use permanent ink (accredited by CFIA)
- * Keep your hammer in good condition with clean numbers
- * Never clean equipment with alcohol or gas
- * Always replace broken or bent numbers

STEP 2: THE TATTOO

- * Use the number(s) that are officially assigned to the premises where hogs are shipped from (contact your provincial pork organization to obtain official numbers)
- * Ensure that the numbers are in the correct order
- * Tattoo close to shipping time
- * Aim for the shoulder
- * Dip the hammer in the ink often



STEP 3: MONITORING

- * Train and follow up with employees
- * RECORD ALL INFORMATION AT www.pigtrace.ca

REMEMBER: PROPER TATTOOING IS KEY TO EFFECTIVE TRACEABILITY AND HELPS TO ENSURE YOU GET PAID PROPERLY FOR YOUR HOGS

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