



PigTrace | *Program Guide*

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PigTrace Canada is an industry led, pig traceability program designed to ensure protection, prosperity and peace of mind for the Canadian pork industry and its customers.

This guide helps explain the regulatory requirements of the program under Canada's *Health of Animals Regulations*.

For more information, contact:

- 1 The program website at ***pigtrace.ca***
- 2 Our toll-free number **1-866-300-1825**
- 3 Your provincial pork organization

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Getting started

- 1 To activate your PigTrace account, go to ***pigtrace.ca*** on your computer or hand-held device and select LOGIN.
- 2 Select NEW ACCOUNT and enter your PigTrace **Stakeholder Number** and **Token** to create a **username** and **password**. This information is provided in the welcome kit sent by your provincial organization. If you haven't received your **Stakeholder Number** and **Token**, please contact your provincial organization or call PigTrace customer service at **1-866-300-1825**.
- 3 Login to PigTrace. Much of your information should already be populated by your provincial organization.



How to report a movement

After logging in to the secure PigTrace database, movement information can be reported by the methods below. Further detail is provided on the following pages.

- 1 PigTrace Online
- 2 PigTrace Webservice
- 3 PigTrace Mobile

How to report a movement:

PigTrace Online

To enter data manually using the online form:

- 1 Select **REPORT A MOVEMENT** from the welcome page
- 2 Choose **declaration type** from drop-down list then click **CREATE**
- 3 Enter all required fields (marked with red dot)
- 4 Click **SAVE**, a message in green will appear – “successfully inserted”

To upload data from a .csv file:

- 1 Select **SENT FILES** from the menu listed under **MY ACCOUNT**
- 2 Preformatted .csv file **TEMPLATES** are available for download
- 3 Upload completed .csv files by clicking **BROWSE** and selecting the file from your library
- 4 Click **SAVE**



How to report a movement:

PigTrace Webservice

To automatically send data from your management software:

- 1 Your software developer can configure your herd or inventory management system to automatically submit pig movement data to PigTrace by using instructions in the PigTrace data exchange protocol.
- 2 Request the PigTrace data exchange protocol by e-mail at ***info@pigtrace.ca***, or contact your provincial organization, or call PigTrace customer service at **1-866-300-1825**.
- 3 The PigTrace team will work with your software developers to configure automated submissions of your movement information.



How to report a movement:

PigTrace Mobile

If you're on the go, enter data on your handheld device:

- 1 From ***pigtrace.ca*** select **LOGIN** under the movement reporting menu
- 2 After logging in, select **CREATE EVENT**
- 3 Choose event type from drop-down list
- 4 Enter all required fields (marked with red dot)
- 5 Click **SAVE** after verifying the event summary, or select **MODIFY** to change information
- 6 Go to **SYNCHRONIZATION LOG** when your handheld device has network connection
- 7 Select previously saved events and click **SYNCHRONIZE** to send to PigTrace



How to report a movement: In Alberta

Alberta has its own provincially regulated traceability system, administered by Alberta Pork. Alberta's Swine Movement database feeds information to PigTrace so that a single, national system is achieved.

The Alberta Pork Swine Traceability System is a manifest-based system. The completed manifests must be sent to Alberta Pork, where the information is input into the Alberta Swine Movement database.

A summary of the Alberta Pork protocols are provided below. Contact Alberta Pork for more information.

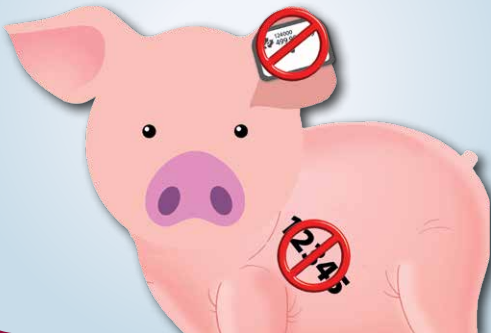
- 1 An Alberta Pork approved manifest must be completed by the shipper, receiver and transporter
- 2 **Movements within Alberta and entering Alberta:**
the receiver is responsible to forward a copy of the completed manifest within 48 hours of completion of the movement
- 3 **Movements leaving Alberta:**
the shipper is responsible to complete the Shipper and Transporter sections of the manifest, and forward a copy within 48 hours of departure



Farm-to-farm movements within Canada

IDENTIFICATION

Except for sows/boars, pigs moved from one farm to another farm do not need to be identified.



REPORTING

At departure and destination:

Locations origin and destination

Date / time

- of departure (*at origin*)
- of arrival (*at destination*)

License plate of vehicle

Quantity of animals

- loaded (*at origin*)
- unloaded (*at destination*)

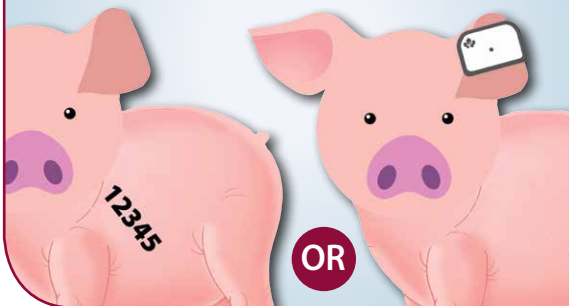
**There is no requirement to report movements within a premises (i.e., barn-to-barn movements on the same property)*

Pigs going to slaughter

IDENTIFICATION

Herd Mark shoulder slap tattoo or approved tag.

Assembly yards do not need to report identification numbers unless they are applied to pigs at their facility.



REPORTING

At departure and destination:

Locations origin and destination

Date / time

- of departure (*at origin*)
- of arrival (*at destination*)

License plate of vehicle

Quantity of animals

- loaded (*at origin*)
- unloaded (*at destination*)

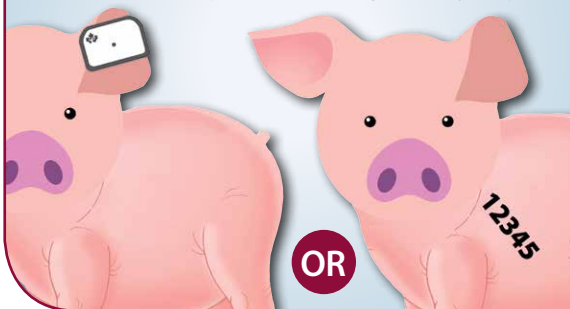
Animal IDs

Sows and boars going to slaughter

IDENTIFICATION

Approved tag or Herd Mark shoulder slap tattoo. Check with your marketer.

Assembly yards do not need to report identification numbers unless they are applied to pigs at their facility.



REPORTING

At departure and destination:

Locations origin and destination

Date / time

- of departure (*at origin*)
- of arrival (*at destination*)

License plate of vehicle

Quantity of animals

- loaded (*at origin*)
- unloaded (*at destination*)

Animal IDs

Sows and boars sent anywhere other than slaughter

IDENTIFICATION

Individual ID tag.

Gilts do not need to be identified.



REPORTING

At departure and destination:

Locations origin and destination

Date / time

- of departure (*at origin*)
- of arrival (*at destination*)

License plate of vehicle

Quantity of animals

- loaded (*at origin*)
- unloaded (*at destination*)

Animal IDs

Pigs at an assembly yard sent anywhere other than slaughter

IDENTIFICATION

Individual ID tag.

Assembly yards do not need to report identification numbers unless they are applied to pigs at their facility.



REPORTING

At departure and destination:

Locations origin and destination

Date / time

- of departure (*at origin*)
- of arrival (*at destination*)

License plate of vehicle

Quantity of animals

- loaded (*at origin*)
- unloaded (*at destination*)

Animal IDs

Pigs at an assembly yard for more than 96 hours

IDENTIFICATION

Individual ID tag.

Assembly yards do not need to report identification numbers unless they are applied to pigs at their facility.



REPORTING

At departure and destination:

Locations origin and destination

Date / time

- of departure (*at origin*)
- of arrival (*at destination*)

License plate of vehicle

Quantity of animals

- loaded (*at origin*)
- unloaded (*at destination*)

Animal IDs

Export movements

IDENTIFICATION

Approved identifier (upon departure from Canada).

A Herd Mark (tag or tattoo) or Individual ID tag will satisfy foreign requirements, depending on pig type.

Check with your export official.

REPORTING

At departure:

Locations origin and destination*

*(*can be country or state)*

Date / time of departure

License plate of vehicle

Quantity of animals loaded

Animal IDs

Import movements

IDENTIFICATION

Approved identifier (upon arrival into Canada).

In most cases this will be an individual ID ear tag, but could include foreign identifiers if they are approved by the Canadian government.

REPORTING

At destination:

Locations origin and destination*
*(*can be country or state)*

Date / time of arrival

License plate of vehicle

Quantity of animals unloaded

Animal IDs

Pigs sent to fair or other location not specified here

IDENTIFICATION

Individual ID tag.

Assembly yards do not need to report identification numbers unless they are applied to pigs at their facility.



REPORTING

At departure and destination:

Locations origin and destination

Date / time

- of departure (*at origin*)
- of arrival (*at destination*)

License plate of vehicle

Quantity of animals

- loaded (*at origin*)
- unloaded (*at destination*)

Animal IDs

Deadstock removal

IDENTIFICATION

No identification required.



REPORTING

At departure:

Location of origin

Name or Location of disposal company

Date / time of departure

At destination:

Locations origin and destination

Date / time of arrival

License plate of vehicle

Linked premises

As an alternative to reporting movements, producers can register to “link” farm premises that have regular movements between one another at least 3 times a month. This must be proven with 6 months of prior movement reporting.

Producers must report the following on a monthly basis (by the 10th) in order to keep the “linked” status:

- 1 the total number of pigs moved
- 2 the number of movements between the linked premises
- 3 vehicle license plates involved

If you are interested in registering linked premises, please call **1-866-300-1825** or contact your provincial pork organization to find out if you meet the criteria for approval.



Premises identification

A premises identification number (PID) is a unique number assigned to a parcel of land where pigs may be located.

PIDs are required for reporting movements to PigTrace.

Examples of PIDs:

QC1234565 (Québec)

MB1234565 (Manitoba)

PIDs are assigned by provincial authorities. For more information, contact your provincial pork organization or provincial government.



Approved animal identifiers: Individual ID

LARGE EAR TAG

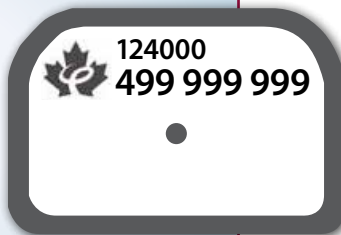
Sows/boars moving to a farm premises

Large pigs going to fairs

Pigs going to slaughter

Exported breeding pigs

Imported pigs



SMALL EAR TAG

Small pigs going
to fairs



Approved animal identifiers: Herd Mark

LARGE EAR TAG

Pigs going
to slaughter



**SHOULDER
SLAP TATTOO**

Pigs going to
slaughter



**SMALL EAR TAG
OR
EAR TATTOO***

Exported
piglets and
feeder pigs



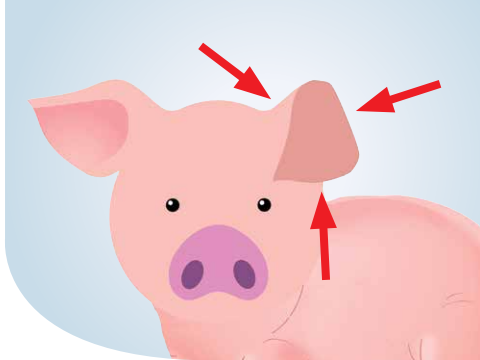
*(U.S. REQUIREMENT)

Lost tags

If a pig loses an approved ear tag, the person who owns or has possession of the animal must apply a new ear tag at its destination, unless it is an abattoir for slaughter.

Illegal tag application

It is illegal to identify pigs with tags approved for other species, and vice-versa.



Reporting period

Information must be reported to PigTrace within **7 days** of shipping or receipt of pigs, deadstock or parts of deadstock.

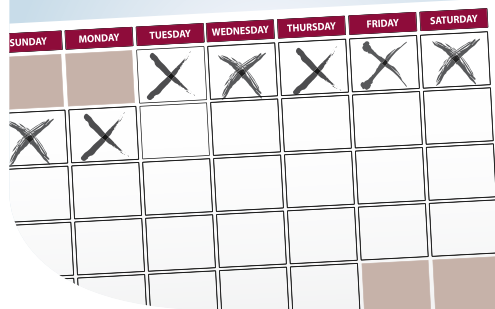
Movement document

Documented movement information (*e.g., a manifest*) must accompany all shipments /movements.

Record keeping requirements

Information must be kept for a period of **5 years**.

This involves all pig identification and movement information reported to PigTrace.



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