



## THE GLOBAL STANDARD FOR LIVESTOCK DATA

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Subject Manufacturer code 911

### To whom it may concern:

The International Committee for Animal Recording (ICAR), in its capacity as the Registration Authority (RA) appointed by ISO<sup>1</sup> for registering manufacturer codes used in the radio frequency identification (RFID) of animals in accordance with ISO 11784<sup>2</sup> and ISO 11785<sup>2</sup>, confirms that as of today, no manufacturer has been granted the code 911 by the RA. ICAR manages the code range from 900 to 998.

ISO 24631-1 provides the means of evaluating the conformance with ISO 11784 and ISO 11785 of RFID transponders used in individual identification of animals. It sets forth the conditions for the granting and use of the manufacturer code related to a transponder and the associated rights and obligations of the parties involved in the issuance of the code.

It states clearly in ISO 24631-1 Section 4 paragraph 2 and 3;

*"Transponders for which conformance with ISO 11784 is claimed shall carry a numeric-3 code in accordance with ISO 3166-1 [3], where numbers up to 900 refer to countries and numbers from 900 to 998 indicate individual manufacturers.*

*Use of a manufacturer code is only permitted to the manufacturer who has been issued that code by the RA."*

As the code 911 has not been granted to any manufacturer by ISO's RA (ICAR), it is not allowed to encode a transponder with this number and still be compliant with ISO 24631-1 (being the ISO Standard that sets forth the conditions for the granting and use of the manufacturer code related to a transponder).

Best regards,

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<sup>1</sup> In 2007, ISO appointed ICAR as the Registration Authority (RA) competent to register manufacturer codes used in the radio frequency identification (RFID) of animals in accordance with ISO 11784 and ISO 11785.

<sup>2</sup> ISO 11784 defines code structure for Radio frequency identification devices for animals while ISO 11785 describes the Technical Concept for these RFIDs.

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