



## THE GLOBAL STANDARD FOR LIVESTOCK DATA

Place Utrecht  
Date 2 February 2021  
Subject Misuse of Manufacturer Code 981 with Ukraine country code 804

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 and ISO 11785<sup>2</sup>, would like to alert regarding the distribution in the Ukrainian market of copies of the Datamars 2.12x13.1mm T-IS glass injectable transponders (ICAR product code 981001) & syringes, manufactured by a registered China-based manufacturer, and programmed with the code structure 804 (Ukraine country code) + 0 + 981.

The 981 code is the unshared code of Datamars SA and cannot be used alone or in combination with any other code. In addition, the use of Country Code + 0 + Manufacturer code is not an official ISO structure but only common practice from the past in countries where there is no Competent Authority for animal identification. The official ISO structure according to ISO 11784 is either country code or Manufacturer code, plus the rest of the digits that identify the device.

The misuse of manufacturer codes can lead to duplication of ID codes and must be reported to ICAR. To report a misuse case, please fill in the form [here](#) and send it to [andie@icar.org](mailto:andie@icar.org). Please contact us for any questions or doubts.

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.