

Place Utrecht

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Subject Misuse of Manufacturer Code 992

To whom it may concern:

The International Committee for Animal Recording (ICAR), in its capacity as the Registration Authority (RA) appointed by ISO¹ for registering manufacturer codes used in the radio frequency identification (RFID) of animals in accordance with ISO 11784 and ISO 11785², would like to alert regarding the misuse of the manufacturer code 992. The 992 code was allocated in 2017 to Smartrac Specialty GmbH by ICAR, in its role as the Registration Authority of ISO for ISO 11784/11785 conforming devices. Therefore, no other company is authorized to use the 992 manufacturer code whatsoever. The code was allocated by ICAR and cannot be used alone or in combination with any other code. Please refer to the ICAR website here for manufacturer codes.

Specifically, injectable transponders programmed with the manufacturer code 992 have been distributed on the Polish market, although Smartrac did not manufacture these products, and these differ substantially from the devices produced by Smartrac. Also, sales of products programmed with the Polish country code 616, followed by the unshared manufacturer code 992, have been reported.

The products involved in the misuse case are the following injectable transponders:

- 1.4 x 8 mm
- 2.1 x 12 mm

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. Please contact us for any questions or doubts.

Best regards,

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¹ 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.

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