



THE GLOBAL STANDARD FOR LIVESTOCK DATA

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Subject **Duplicate ID codes on registered injectable transponders**

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, reports a case of duplicate ID codes on the injectable transponder registered by ICAR with product code 900248 on 26/06/2019. The ID code range allocated to the transponder at the time of the registration was 900.215.000.000.000–900.215.000.999.999. To date, the code range is 900.215.000.000.000–900.215.010.999.999.

The duplicate ID codes reported were as follows:

- **900.215.002.681.948**: Implanted in cats imported from China to Japan on November 30, 2022 and in dogs to be imported from Korea to Japan in November 2023.
- **900.215.005.361.368**: Implanted in cat imported from China to Japan on June 30, 2023, and in cats to be imported from China to Japan in December 2023.

The planned importation of dogs and cats with microchips with the same number as the microchip number implanted in cats imported in the past has been confirmed. The Japanese Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries confirmed multiple times that microchips with the same numbers existed for the above-mentioned product.

ICAR takes this opportunity to remind the following:

The misuse of manufacturer codes can lead to duplication of ID codes and must be reported to ICAR. To report a misuse case, please complete the form [here](#) and send it to Mrs. Andie Dimitriadou at andie@icar.org.

In addition, ICAR recommends extreme vigilance for replicas of ICAR-certified devices circulated and sold on the market. Please refer only to the [ICAR website](#) for all registered RFID devices and their respective manufacturer/product codes. For any questions or concerns, please feel welcome to contact ICAR via the afore-mentioned email or through the ICAR website.

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.