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EARTAGGING OF CATTLE

Some handy hints are detailed below for graziers intending to use
Insecticidal Ear Tag

- 1) It makes tagging easier on both the handler and the animal if the animal is restrained in a head-bail.
- 2) Always keep the tags out of the sun as they will become soft and more difficult to apply.
- 3) To help avoid after-tagging ear-infections, hold the male button part of the tag in a reservoir of antiseptic solution e.g. Dettol.
- 4) Infections at the tag site are generally on cattle with hairy ears or because of pinching by the tag which keeps the site moist. An application of Cetrimide Antiseptic Spray or similar will help to alleviate this problem.
- 5) The best place in the ear to apply a tag is between the two medial rib cartilages where the animal will experience less pain and little bleeding. The cartilages also help prevent the tag from tearing out. The site should be about 10cms from the tip of the ear. This will vary among British breed and Zebu cattle.
- 6) Always apply the Insecticidal Ear Tag to the back of the ear as this allows for more even distribution of the insecticide.
- 7) Once the tag has been applied, it is a good idea to give it 2-3 sharp tugs to ensure it has positioned at the end of the male button shaft. This allows air to circulate around the wound. When applying y-TEX Insecticidal Ear Tags use the Y-TEX Ultra Tagger or the Y-TEX adapter pin in other applicator, this practice is essential.

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