Important Cattle Identification Change for 2019 Eastern States Exposition

New requirements as of June 2019
For 4-H Members Who Show
Dairy Cattle, Beef Cattle and/or Working Steer

Eastern States has made a recent change with Animal Health Identification for Eastern States Exposition 2019. In 2019, **ALL CATTLE** (beef, dairy, and/or working steer) are **REQUIRED** to be identified with a **15-digit AIN RFID tag**.

If you want to be considered for Eastern States, your animal(s) must have the 15-digit AIN RFID tag by the Vermont State 4-H Dairy Show (for dairy cattle), August 11-12, 2019. Beef and Working Steer must also have the 15-digit AIN RFID for Eastern States.

Read this information from The New England 4-H Dairy Committee:

- *As a reminder ESE will be requiring 15 digit AIN RFID tags and those need to correspond with registration papers.*
- *Please check with the relevant breed association as to how they want those numbers to appear on the registration certificate if the tags did not originate with a breed association.*
- *Some states have RFID tags that they can get from their state department of agriculture.*
- *Visit http://go.uvm.edu/2019-ese-dairy-requirements for Big E Dairy Entry Requirements.*

If you have questions, please call me at 1-800-571-0668 or 802-651-8343 ext. 513.

It is important to not wait — **DO THIS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**.

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