

National Premises Identification Number (PIN) Must Be Provided to Purchase RFID Tags

Why is a PIN important?

Nationwide, according to federal regulations, a national premises identification number (PIN) is required to purchase RFID tags and other official identification for livestock housed on that specific property. During animal disease outbreaks, PINs assist animal health officials in stopping the spread of the disease and limiting the impact to the agricultural community.

What is a PIN?

A PIN is a unique alpha-numeric identifier assigned to a piece of property. Even if the ownership of a property changes, the PIN will stay with the property. If you have recently moved or purchased additional property, please call MDARD to acquire the PIN.

What information will be collected when I get a PIN?

When you call for your PIN, we collect your name, address, phone number(s), and what types of livestock are on that property. This information is protected by the state as private information.

Don't know your PIN?

Call MDARD at 888-565-8626 Monday - Friday, 8 am - 5 pm.

