

Manitoba Premises Identification Program

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What is the definition of a premises?

A premises is a parcel of land on which, or on any part of which, livestock or poultry are grown, kept, assembled or disposed of at any time during the year. This includes:

- farms/stables
- hobby farms
- feedlots
- pastures
- community pastures
- hatcheries
- abattoirs
- assembly yards
- auction/livestock sale facilities
- rendering plants
- zoos/petting zoos
- exhibition/fair grounds
- race tracks/competition facilities
- veterinary hospitals/labs
- insemination centres
- livestock and poultry research facilities

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What is a Premises Identification Number?

It is a unique national number assigned to a premises.

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What are the benefits of procedures and the industry?

Planning and management of animal disease outbreaks will maximize the effectiveness of the emergency response and minimize the social, economic and environmental costs associated with the outbreak. Knowing where animals are located and how to contact producers is the key to rapid, accurate and cost-effective disease response. Premises identification is a critical component in developing a national traceability system.

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Who must provide premises information?

The owner or operator of a livestock or poultry premises must provide the required information.

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What information must be supplied?

Basic land and contact information must be supplied.

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Will the information I share be kept confidential?

Yes, personal information is protected by the Protection of Privacy provisions of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA). If you have any questions about the collection of personal information, contact Manitoba Agriculture's FIPPA Coordinator at **204-945-0913**.

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How will the information be used?

The information will be used for emergency management purposes, to prevent, prepare for, respond to or recover from a disaster, a reportable or emerging disease outbreak or an emergency that threatens animal or human health.

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How do I obtain a Premises Identification Number?

It is easy to apply. Fill out an application and deliver it to your nearest [Manitoba Agriculture Office](#), email traceability@gov.mb.ca, fax to **204-945-4327** or mail to:

**Manitoba Agriculture
Manitoba Premises Identification Program
204-545 University Crescent
Winnipeg, MB R3T 5S6**

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How much does it cost to apply for a Premises Identification Number?

There is no cost to participate in this program.

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Is this a mandatory program?

Yes, it is mandatory for owners or operators to identify their livestock or poultry premises under [The Animal Disease Act](#).

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What livestock and poultry are included in this program?

This includes dairy cattle, beef cattle, bison, pigs, broiler chickens, laying hens, turkeys, ostriches, emus, rheas, farmed ducks, farmed quails, farmed geese, farmed pheasants, guinea hens, pigeons, exotic or show birds, sheep, goats, horses, donkeys, mules, llamas, vicunas, alpacas, farmed elk, farmed deer, farmed bees, aquaculture, fur-producing mink and fox, farmed rabbits, wild boars and captive wildlife.

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Do I need to provide an application for each location with livestock and/or poultry?

An application should be provided for at least one premises, preferably the primary premises. A primary premises is the legal land location on which the main animal operation is located. If you have multiple premises, you have the option to complete an application form for each additional premises. On additional forms, complete sections I and III. The information from section II does not need to be supplied on additional forms unless the information differs from the information supplied on the original form. If you have more than five premises, please contact your local [Manitoba Agriculture Office](#) for assistance.

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Do I have to apply if I only have one horse?

Yes. Premises identification is required regardless of the number of livestock or poultry species on the premises.

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How do I add my Manitoba Premises Identification Number to my Canadian Cattle Identification Agency (CCIA) account?

Call [CCIA](#) at 1-877-909-2333 with your new Manitoba Premises Identification Number once you receive it and they will update your account. This is a handy spot to find your number when you need it.

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I had a number assigned by the Canadian Cattle Identification Agency (CCIA) years ago, is it the same as my Manitoba Premises Identification Number?

No, they are not the same numbers and the numbers from [CCIA](#) have now expired. The Manitoba Premises Identification Number had been validated to ensure the accuracy of the information and follows national standards. The way to tell the difference is that the Manitoba numbers start with MB10... and the numbers from CCIA started with MB3... CCIA now requires

Manitoba Premises Identification Numbers and producers can call CCIA at **1-877-909-2333** to get their number added to their account.

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What happens if my information changes?

Fill out any updated information on the [Manitoba Premises Identification Application](#) and deliver it to your nearest [Manitoba Agriculture Office](#), email traceability@gov.mb, call us at **204-945-7684**, fax to **204-945-4327** or mail to:

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Manitoba Premises Identification Program
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All changes must be reported to Manitoba Agriculture within 30 days of the change.

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Who can I contact if I have more questions?

For more information, contact your local [Manitoba Agriculture Office](#), call Manitoba Government Inquiry at **1-866-626-4862** to help locate your nearest office or email traceability@gov.mb.ca.

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