Property Identification Codes - PIC

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AB& W Legislation

Most of Biosecurity Queensland activities are controlled by legislation 37 pieces of Legislation

- The Stock Act 1915
 - Stock (Cattle Tick) Notice
- Animal Care and Protection Act 2001
- > Apiaries Act 1982
- Brands Act 1915
- Exotic Diseases in Animals Act 1981
- Chemical Usage (Agricultural and Veterinary) Control Act 1988

and the regulations that support them.

However New Biosecurity Act will be in force as of Dec 2015 which will include a number of the acts above.





Queensland Government

- It is a legal requirement that you register your property with DAFF.
- Currently under the <u>Stock Act</u> 1915 if a person has 1 or more
 - head of cattle,
 - ➢ horse,
 - ➤ sheep,
 - > goats,
 - ➢ pigs,
 - > buffalo,
 - ➢ deer,
 - camelids (camels, llama, and alpaca) or
 - > 100 or more poultry or caged birds,





- Property is allocated a Property Identification Code (PIC)
- Property Identification Code (PIC) 8 characters





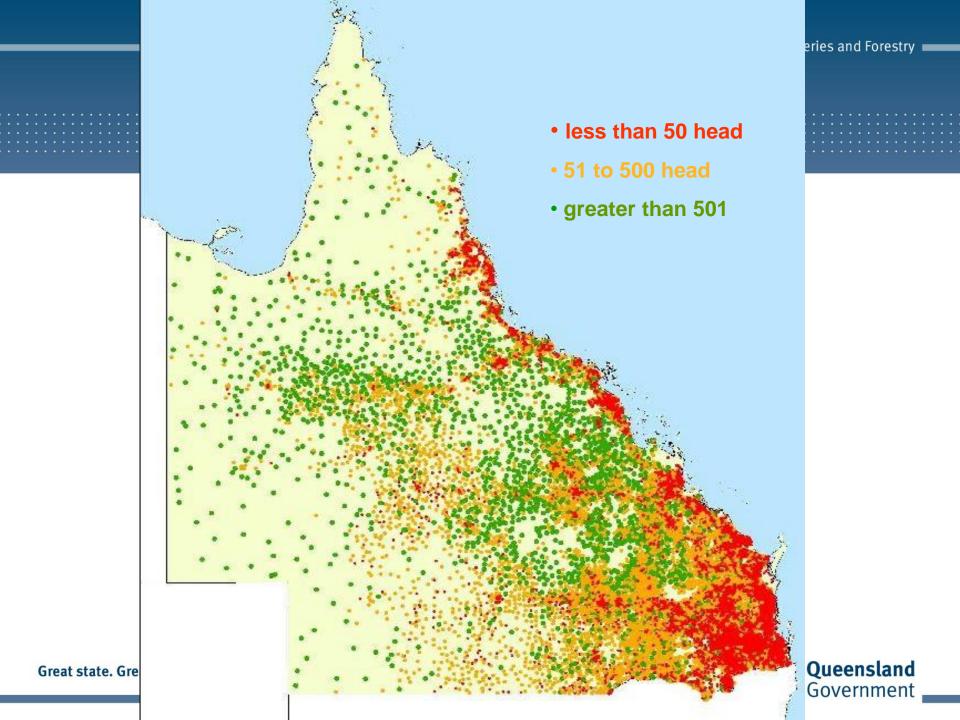
- Must have at least 1 or more Lot on Plan or a part Lot on Plan
 Found on rates notice & property contracts e.g. Lot 3 on RP 897657.
- Must have a person as the owner of the property
- If leasing a property, or agisting, a copy of your lease agreement or a letter of authority from the owner will be required.
- If a sporting facility Managers contact details are required for all animal activities for that piece of land and Individual client roles for each activities will be recorded – e.g Active riders, camp draft organizations, Stabled or Agistment clients.



Who has to be registered and how much does it cost?

- The property owner must ensure if they are agisting stock on their land or leasing their property where permission for stock to occupy has been given, that the property **MUST** be registered.
- As a horse owner, you must ensure you have a PIC number for where your horse resides and you have been added by our department as a client role on this PIC.
- PIC registration is FREE
- However, a fine up too \$4000 can be imposed if you are not registered.





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Why is a PIC important?

- PIC identifies a place that stock reside in QLD
- PIC numbers are used on movement documentation for tracebility of the origin of the stock – travel permits
- A PIC is used to attach history to a land parcel such as chemical, microbiological and antimicrobial residues.
- Veterinarians use PIC numbers to record pathology and lab testing results for submissions to state laboratories.
 Great state. Great opportunity.

What is a PIC used for?

- Collection of information pertaining to the property and industry it is used for.
- Land size & topography Mapping attached to Queensland Mapping systems
- Watercourses
- Any land contamination issues
- Access points and alternate road boundary's
- Contact details for owners, managers and lessee's
- Animal numbers and species recorded.
- Any history of investigations, quarantines and releases related to agriculture.



Disease outbreaks and PIC numbers

- Emergency Response Information is recorded to a PIC.
- Once the department is notified of a positive result of a disease outbreak, the PIC number is identified for the origin of the animal.
- PIC is mapped and information collected for the response such as:
 - Owners of property, managers, lessees & contact details.
 - Size of land, topography and property boundary's
 - Species and numbers of susceptible stock on property identified.
 - Property mapped and neighbours of susceptible stock are identified – contact owners & PIC numbers recorded.
 - Quarantine Notices prepared.



What does this mean to event organisers and horse owners?

- Once the owners have been contacted and the disease information disseminated to the owners, Tracing of the positive horse and any contact horses shall occur.
- Event organisers will be asked for ALL contact details of persons on the grounds/events in a date range.
- Having records of persons using the grounds with in that date range including PIC numbers and phone numbers, is a vital tool in containing and controlling a disease.
- Horse health decs that are filled in correctly will give us the information required to act quickly and get our teams on the ground to control the spread of the disease where possible.



Events continued.

• If your club members are not registered, and or health decs or attendance records are not maintained on the day, there may be a delay in contacting those people which means a risk of the disease spreading.

More importantly

 If your not registered, we don't know where you are and therefore difficulty may arise in contact you should an Emergency Disease be identified that may effect your stock.



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