

**RULES
OF
TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
DIVISION OF REGULATORY SERVICES**

**CHAPTER 0080-02-04
REMOVAL OF IDENTIFICATION FROM CATTLE**

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0080-02-04-.01 DEFINITIONS.

- (1) For Purposes of these Rules:
 - (a) Official Identification – A means of identifying an animal or group of animals in accordance with 9 C.F.R. 71.1.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-3-203 and 44-2-102. **Administrative History:** Original rule certified June 5, 1974. Emergency rule filed September 2, 2009; effective through March 1, 2010. Emergency rule filed August 2, 2009 expired; rule reverted to its previous status on March 2, 2010. Amendment filed April 23, 2010; effective September 28, 2010.

0080-02-04-.02 GENERAL.

- (1) No person shall remove official identification from any livestock in Tennessee, except as follows:
 - (a) Persons who have kept livestock for breeding, feeding or grazing for a period of sixty (60) days or more are permitted to remove official backtags and sale tags only.
 - (b) Duly authorized state or federal employees may remove official identification at any time, for any reason.

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