

REGISTER FOR A PIN TODAY

Registering your premises today will support traceability and improve emergency preparedness.

Premises are registered at the state level through the state animal health official. Contact your State Pork Association or visit www.aphis.usda.gov/animal-disease/traceability/pin for more information on how to obtain a PIN in your state.



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STRENGTHEN THE
PORK INDUSTRY WITH A

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WHAT IS A PREMISES IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN)?

A premises identification number (PIN) is a seven-character nationally unique code permanently assigned to a single physical location. Once a location is registered, a PIN provides animal health officials with the necessary information to quickly and precisely identify the location of animals in the event of an animal health emergency.

Producers must have a PIN to purchase any official animal identification tags, complete Pork Quality Assurance® Plus Site Assessments, participate in most major swine shows and exhibitions, and carry out other essential production practices. Most packers require PINs as a condition of sale.

Identifying production operations with a PIN ensures efficiency and traceability throughout the pork industry.



**Impacts of African Swine Fever in Iowa and the United States, Hayes, et al., Iowa State Univ., BarnTools, 2020.*



WHY IS A PIN IMPORTANT?

The diagnosis of a foreign animal disease (FAD) in the U.S. is expected to cause a loss of \$50 billion over 10 years and would be detrimental to the industry's export market.*

If foot and mouth disease, classical swine fever, or African swine fever is found in U.S. livestock, swift regulatory actions will restrict animal movements to curb the spread of these highly contagious animal diseases.

At the 2024 National Pork Industry Forum, delegates voted on a resolution to enhance live-swine traceability, which includes mandatory premises identification numbers for all swine owners. Voluntary adoption of PINs will improve how we track live pigs and support disease control, regionalization, and resumption of commerce and trade in the event of a foreign swine disease detection.

Fairgrounds and similar venues should proactively register for a PIN to ensure that show pigs are properly accounted for in the event of an animal health emergency.

By registering your premises where pigs are housed with a PIN and participating in programs like Secure Pork Supply (SPS) and U.S. Swine Health Improvement Plan (U.S. SHIP), you can ensure the industry gets back to business as usual as quickly as possible.