

WAC 16-610-085 Production brands. (1) Before a production brand may be used in Washington state, it must be recorded with the director according to the provisions of chapter 16.57 RCW and in the same manner as an ownership brand.

(2) Forms to record a brand may be obtained from and sent to:

Washington State Department of Agriculture

Animal Services Division

1111 Washington Street S.E.

P.O. Box 42577

Olympia, WA 98504-2577

Email: livestockid@agr.wa.gov

Phone: 360-902-1855

Website: <https://agr.wa.gov/departments/animals-livestock-and-pets/livestock>

(3) The director will not charge a fee to record a production brand if the person recording the brand has already paid to record an ownership brand.

(4) Production brands are not recognized for ownership purposes, recorded for ownership purposes, or accepted for livestock inspection purposes.

(5) Dairy cattle: Owners may use any digit or combination of digits as a production brand to identify their dairy cattle as long as the brand is located on the neck or between the hock and the stifle of a hind leg.

(6) Beef cattle: Owners may use a production brand to identify beef cattle but only when the cattle also bear a brand that is currently recorded to the owner of the animal.

(a) On beef cattle, production brands may be located on either side of the animal on the shoulder or hip.

(b) Any numeral digit or combination of digits may be used for a beef cattle production brand as long as they do not conflict with currently recorded ownership brands.

(7) Only Arabic numerals can be used for production brands.

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