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STATE OF WISCONSIN )
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE )

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, Donald E. Wilkinson, Secretary of Agriculture, and custodian of the official records of the State of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, hereby certifies that the annexed order adopting rules relating to slaughter swine identification, Wis. Adm. Code section Ag 10.53, was duly adopted by this department on October 24, 1972.

I further certify that said copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this department and that the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand at Madison, Wisconsin, this 24th day of October, 1972.

Drial Ellibinson
Secretary of Agriculture

## ORDER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Pursuant to authority vested in the Department of Agriculture by sections 93.07(1) and (10) and Chapter 95, Wis. Stats., the Department of Agriculture hereby adpots rules as follows:

Section Ag 10.53 of the WISCONSIN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE is adopted to read:

## Section Ag 10.53

## SLAUGHTER SWINE IDENTIFICATION

Ag 10.53 Slaughter swine identification. (1) All swine originating from herds in this state and received for slaughter, or sale or shipment to a slaughtering establishment, shall be identified behind the shoulder with a tattoo bearing such code designations as may be prescribed or approved by the department for the traceback to herds of origin of swine found to be diseased on slaughter. The department may approve other systems of identification as necessary to accomplish the purposes of this section where use of the tattoo may not permit positive traceback.

(2) It shall be the duty of every livestock trucker, dealer, livestock market operator, stockyards operator, and slaughtering establishment purchasing or receiving swine for slaughter, or sale or shipment to a slaughtering establishment, to identify all such swine in a manner prescribed or approved by the department at the time of receiving possession or control of such animals and maintain a record of codes applied in accordance with herds of origin. The

first person obtaining possession or control over swine from the producer thereof shall be responsible for the identification of swine and the recording of traceback data as required, but this does not relieve other persons receiving such animals for slaughter, or sale or shipment to a slaughtering establishment, from responsibility for such identification. Truckers are exempted from this requirement with respect to delivery of swine to livestock markets, stockyards or dealers agreeing to accept responsibility for the tattoo or other identification, provided such swine are shipped directly from the farm where produced to such markets, stockyards or dealer premises with information as to the herd of origin. The department may exempt low-volume slaughter establishments purchasing swine directly from producers if identity of the herd of origin can be maintained at such establishment without the application of a tattoo.

- (3) Every person required to identify swine in accordance with this section shall maintain records for 120 days of the: (w) 1. Tattoo legends applied to swine in accordance with herds of origin.
- Date of application of tattoo.
- Name, address, and county of the owner of the herd of origin.
  - ( ) 4. Class of swine received.
- (4) Coding systems adopted by the department shall be based on systems adopted nationally for the identification of slaughter swine, except for deviations which may be authorized by the

department for individual slaughter establishments. All slaughter swine to be shipped in interstate commerce shall be identified in accordance with national systems approved by United States department of agriculture.

(5) A series of code designations shall be assigned by the department to each person responsible for swine identification under this section. Tattoo legends and devices may be procured from the department or purchased from other approved sources.

The rules contained herein shall take effect as provided in section 227.026, Wis. Stats.

Dated October 24, 1972.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
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Secretary of Agriculture