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ester Within business additional holdings such as rented field, inside shed or hill

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What do I need to do next?

Nothing immediately, but you may want to read the ScotMoves Q&A that is available in the news section on the ScotEID.com website. You can also speak to the help team at ScotEID on **01466 794323** if you have any questions.

ScotEID will get in touch with you again when ScotMoves is up and running within the next couple of months. We will be asking keepers to test the system before the 1st of January.

What will I need to do when ScotMoves is fully operational?

You will need to register all your additional business holdings that you use along with your main holding. They will be called your 'additional holdings' and will appear on the ScotMoves system.

Then you will be able to assign your cattle to your additional holdings at around the time you actually move your cattle.

For more information please visit the ScotEID website **www. scoteid.com** and go to the news section Q&As. or call **01466 794323** and speak to one of the team.

ScotEID Information Centre Unit 28 - Huntly Business Centre 83 Gordon Street, Huntly AB54 8FG email: help@scoteid.com In that case, you may use separate holdings within your business, rent grass for grazing, away-winter cattle and/or move cattle between different holdings within your farm business

If so, this note is for you...

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What you need to know

The current Cattle Tracing System (CTS) 'linked holdings' system administered by the British Cattle Movement Service (BCMS) comes to an end on 31st December 2016. If you have previously used 'CTS Links' to link holdings within your business you will only have recorded these moves in your on-farm holding register.

From the 1st of January 2017 you will need to record cattle moves between holdings within your business using a new system called ScotMoves. The ScotMoves system is being developed by ScotEID to allow you to record cattle moving between your business holdings, without reporting these moves to CTS.

You will still have to register cattle births and deaths on CTS. You will also notify CTS of any cattle movements to other businesses i.e. when you buy or sell cattle (private sales). Markets and abattoirs will continue to notify CTS on your behalf for movements to your main holding.

Using ScotMoves

ScotMoves will be continuously updated by CTS of your cattle registered to your main holding, so you should not need to re-enter a cattle ID.

All you will need to do is tell ScotMoves where your cattle are located at any one time if they are moved to a different 'additional' holding from your main holding.

When you move your cattle between holdings within your business, simply click on the Cattle IDs shown on their current holding and 'drag' them to their new holding location.



What are the basic rules?

Your ScotMoves additional holding registrations will need to be notified directly by using ScotEID.com, or by telephone to the ScotEID Huntly office, or by fax and post. You will be able to appoint an agent to do this on your behalf.

Registration lasts for a maximum of 364 days. ScotMoves will send automated reminders for renewal. An additional holding, eg. a summer grazing can be registered at any time.

You will have to notify ScotMoves within 48 hours following the actual movement of cattle. However, you will be able to pre-notify movements on ScotMoves eg. tell ScotMoves on Sunday of cattle that you plan to move on Tuesday.

The existing exemptions for movements taking place to or from common grazings in a registered Crofting Township are unaffected by these changes.

What will the benefits be?

ScotMoves is your free online holdings register for recording movements of cattle between your own business holdings. This is the first step towards ScotMoves becoming a complete online holding register for all Scottish cattle keepers. ScotMoves will know where all Scottish cattle are located if there is a disease outbreak. ScotMoves will not be recorded on the cattle passport. You should not need to re-write cattle IDs so there is less chance of mistakes.

Calves born on any of your additional holdings are still identified and registered using your main holding herd mark. Passports do not need to accompany cattle or stay with them when they move to any of your additional holdings.

Why do we need the new ScotMoves system?

The current CTS links system is not compliant with cattle identification legislation as there is no complete record of animal movement data recorded in the Cattle Tracing System which poses a threat to disease control and public health. There is also a risk that the EU may impose a disallowance to the CAP payment fund.

Note: The UK remains a full member of the EU until Article 50 negotiations conclude. We should continue work to have systems and legislation in place which match the relevant EU legislative requirements particularly in view of future exports.

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