

The bovine eartag number is structured as follows: **EL 00 00000 00000**:

a) the two letters represent the country, b) the first two numerical digits represent the prefecture where the eartags were applied for the first time (*birth or purchase from a 3rd country*), c) the next five numerical digits represent the code number of the holding where the eartags were applied for the first time (*birth or purchase from a 3rd country*) and d) the last five numerical digits represent the individual number of the bovine.

The eartag consists of two parts:

1. The female part



The female part of the eartag contains the following information:

- 1st line.** The country logo.
- 2nd line.** Prefecture (2 digits) – Holding number (5 digits) – Individual number of the bovine (5 digits).
- 3rd line.** Bar code.
- 4th line.** The last five numerical digits which are repeated in larger font.

2. The male part



The male part of the eartag contains the same information as the female part, except the bar code.