



## **BEST SHEEP TAGGING PRACTICE**

- Make sure that you or your operator is properly trained and competent in the application of ear tags.
- Make sure that you are using the correct applicator for the model of tag you are fitting. Always follow the manufacturer's instructions.
- Fit in cool weather (where possible) to minimise infections.
- Secure the animal's head to prevent jerking during tagging.
- Apply tags under hygienic conditions. The operator's hands, the ear, the tag and the applicator should be clean. Disinfect as necessary using an appropriate solution.
- Check the ear after about 10 days for signs of damage or infection. Consult your veterinary surgeon as necessary.
- Store unused tags in a clean dry container.