ANTI STOCK THEFT



WORKING TOGETHER TO STOP STOCK THEFT

- Each owner must mark the livestock in the prescribed manner and in a case where the identification mark has become indistinct or invisible, must be re-identified in accordance with the legal provisions.
- All owners of livestock must register an identification mark at the office of the registrar of animal identification.
- Any owners of livestock with an identification mark on it, who wants to sell, barter or give away the livestock within 14 days after he/she became the owner of such livestock, must provide the new owner with a document of identification. This means that within 14 days the livestock can be disposed of without having being branded with the new owner's mark since it already has the previous owners mark on it & a document of identification has been issued.

- Livestock-owners should keep all fences & gates in proper condition to protect their livestock and count your livestock regularly
- Prevent stolen livestock from being hidden on your property. Stock-posts serve as ideal overnight stopovers to hide livestock.
- Formers community, local community to work together with government to fight stock theft
- Report crime "stock theft"

How to report stock theft

- · Report at your nearest police station
- ·A police official will obtain your statement, which you can make in your own language
- A police official will provide you with case number which you may use for future enquiries about your case
- An investigation offer will visit a place where crime took place
- Contact details of the investigating officer will be given for you to contact him/her about your case. The investigation officer will contact you about case developments





IMPORTANT CONTACT NUMBERS

Contact your local police station or phone:

SAPS Emergency Line 10111 SAPS Crime Stop 08600 10111 Departmental Call Centre: 0800 204 992

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Effects of stock theft

- · Negative impact on food security
- · Increase in the spread of animal deceases
- · Impact negatively on the income level of farmers

Risk and contributing factors to an increase

in stock theft

- ·Unmarked and unregistered livestock Unattended grazing, stock owners negligence, poor fencing & gates and stray animals
- ·Stock theft syndicates operating in the localities and across borders
- · Stock theft reporting by communities to SAPS



GOOD WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH SAPS

- · Report unknown animals among your animals immediately to the SAPS & your neighbors.
- The longer you delay, the less the possibility of achieving success.
- Cooperate with the local SAPS & Stock Theft Unit, & not against them. Support them in their efforts to help you.