

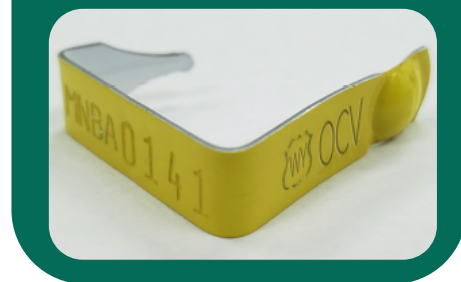
WYOMING BANGS OCV TAG

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What is a Wyoming Bangs OCV tag?

- A yellow metal ear tag that contains a “WY shield”, the text “OCV”, and a 9 digit alphanumeric individual qualifier
- Produced by National Band and Tag Company
- **The Wyoming Bangs OCV tag is NOT recognized as an OCV tag outside of Wyoming**
- **The Wyoming Bangs OCV tag is NOT a form of official identification**

Example of a Wyoming Bangs OCV tag



What does “OCV” stand for?

- OCV → Official Calfhood Vaccinate: A heifer vaccinated for brucellosis between 4 and 12 months of age by an accredited veterinarian. The heifer must be properly identified as an OCV with either an 840 EID tag or a Wyoming Bangs OCV tag, and a vaccination tattoo.

When can the Wyoming Bangs OCV tag be used?

- At the time of OCV, for heifers remaining in Wyoming
- OCV heifers under 12 months of age may use this tag to leave Wyoming’s Designated Surveillance Area (DSA), if they are remaining in Wyoming
- Cows and heifers receiving brucellosis vaccination boosters, that have the metal tag in place from OCV vaccination

When can the Wyoming Bangs OCV tag NOT be used?

- Official identification for INTERSTATE movement
- Official identification for all **regulatory testing**, including brucellosis and tuberculosis testing
- Official identification for **commuter permits**
- Identification of **adult brucellosis vaccinates**
- Identification of cows receiving **brucellosis vaccination boosters** that have lost their Wyoming OCV tag
- Retagging a cow that lost a Wyoming Bangs OCV tag or an 840 EID tag
- Identification of a bull or steer

Who can order and apply Wyoming Bangs OCV tags?

- Wyoming Category II Accredited Veterinarians
- Veterinarians must contact National Band and Tag Company for ordering information

Situations where the Wyoming Bangs OCV tag can be used for identification purposes

- Replacement heifer vaccinated for brucellosis and remaining on the home premises.
- Change of ownership of a non-DSA OCV heifer over 12 months of age, that will be remaining in Wyoming.
- OCV heifers under 12 months of age leaving the DSA.

Situations where the Wyoming Bangs OCV tag CANNOT be used for identification purposes

- Movement of an OCV Wyoming heifer over 18 months of age, sold to an out-of-state premises.
- Brucellosis testing DSA cows that are tagged with the Wyoming Bangs OCV tag.
- Private sale of a DSA cow to a premises outside of the DSA, and brucellosis testing is required prior to change of ownership.
- A heifer under 12 months of age that is not an OCV and is leaving the DSA.