Procedure for Changing Ownership of a Texas Validated Steer

There may be cases when a steer has been validated to one family, but prior to the June 30th deadline, the steer is sold to another family. This steer can be properly validated to the new owner(s) if the proper procedures are followed. This revalidation process, described below, will prevent a steer's ownership from being validated to two or more families in one or more counties.

1. Check steer for previous validation tattoos. The steer will have the former county validation tattoo number in his left ear. Tattoo an AX@ over each of the three former county tattoo numbers. Record previous tattoo number, state validation visual ear tag number, and previous owner's name on attached form (Attachment B). If change of ownership occurs within the same county, the validation committee will scratch the steer from previous owner's form and add the steer's appropriate information to the new owner's form.

2. Tattoo new county number in a visible place in the left ear.

3. Remove old validation tags and return to state office.

4. Place new validation tags in ear as appropriate.

5. New hair samples and nose prints with the new validation number and exhibitor(s) name(s) must be taken. Follow proper validation procedures for collecting hair and nose printing.

6. Write a "RV" (Re-validated) beside visual tag number on the validation form. Example: 5693-RV.

7. If the former owner's validation tag is not in the steer's ear, the visual tag number must be obtained from the previous county's Steer Validation Committee Chairman before the change of ownership form can be completed.
8. The State Validation Office will delete the steer from the previous owner's form.

9. Failure to follow proper procedures will result in steers not being properly validated, and therefore ineligible for competition at any Major Livestock Show.