

FAQ's about Microchipping

- **Does the chip have batteries in it?**

No the batteries are in the reader which creates a magnetic field that gets the chip to send its data. The chips therefore can last forever.

- **Are there any complications?**

The most frequent one is a drop of blood at the insertion site. It is a minor complication.

- **Can the chips move?**

Yes some can but not the brand the BVC uses because it has a patented Biobond technology cap to hold it where it's put in.

- **Can I register the chip on another database if I move countries?**

Yes

- **My pet has a standard chip and not a bio-thermal one. Can I change?**

Unfortunately not.

We don't recommend placing a second chip except in the uncommon situation that the first chip stops being readable.

- **My pet's microchip has numbers and letters and I have read that the international standard chips have only 15 numbers and no letters?**

You are right, the ISO standard is 15 numbers. Although an ISO chip is the preferred chip for international travel it doesn't really matter if your pet has been given a non-ISO chip (common in the States where ISO chip format is not the norm) as long as your pet's chip is readable by the usual scanners. If not, you can buy a scanner and take that with you when you travel or place a second chip which is ISO and readable.

- **Can I microchip my reptile?**

Yes above a certain size, reptiles like snakes and large birds like Grey Parrots can be chipped.

