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Subject: Bureaucratic Government Forms

I am here busily filling out the Dept of Agriculture Form to reactivate my Herd Number. It is a frustrating experience.

For what should be a simple form for a simple procedure, it is overly bureaucratic, complicated and asks too many questions many of which, appear to me to be irrelevant.

The form consists of five (5) pages, which in my view is three too many. The object of the exercise is to reactivate an existing herd number, surely most of the information is already on file.

I was telling a farmer friend of mine about my difficulties with understanding the form. His reply was that in his opinion most of the queries from farmers to Teagasc were for assistance in filling out Government forms.