

Tips for Setting up the Bluetooth Scanner & Chip ID App

- a. Scanners ordered after January 22, 2022 are delivered with the Bluetooth enabled
 - i. Install included rechargeable batteries and plug into the wall or a computer to charge the batteries using the provided USB cord. A full charge may take up to 3 hours.
 - ii. Go to step 1 below.
 - b. Scanners ordered before January 22, 2022 will need to be Bluetooth enabled
 - i. Visit microchip.homeagain.com
 - ii. Click “Software Download” in the HomeAgain WorldScan Reader Plus section.
 - iii. Open the Setup software downloaded to your computer and follow the prompts.
 - iv. Install included rechargeable batteries and connect the scanner to your computer using the provided USB cord.
 - i. Use the provided USB cord to recharge your batteries by either plugging it into the wall using the wall adapter or by plugging into your computer.
 - v. Press the main button on the Bluetooth scanner to turn it on and open the “Microchip Management Software” on your computer.
 - vi. Click the “Reader Settings” button on the left side of the screen.
 - i. If “Reader Settings” is grayed out, go to the “Connect” dropdown and choose “USB link”.
 - vii. Rename the Unit ID so it is easier to find in your phone’s Bluetooth settings, especially handy if you will be using multiple scanners.
 - viii. Check the “Bluetooth ON/OFF” box.
 - ix. You can adjust the Sleep Timer (in seconds) for how long you want the scanner to stay on with the chip number visible. Default is 90 seconds.
 - x. Go to step 1 below.
1. Press the main button on the Bluetooth scanner to turn it on. Make sure the Bluetooth symbol is displaying near the battery icon. If not, see section b above.
 2. Make sure the Bluetooth on your phone is enabled/turned on (this is found in your phone settings).
 3. While in the Bluetooth settings, look for the scanner you are currently using to make sure it says “Connected”.
 - a. You can rename the scanner in while in your phone’s Bluetooth settings, while it is connected, so it is easier to find, especially helpful if you have multiple Bluetooth scanners you may be using.
 - b. You can only be connected to one Bluetooth scanner at a time and a scanner can only be connected to one phone/app at a time.
 4. Download the USTA Chip ID app from Google Play or the App Store.
 5. Log-in to the app using your USTA MyAccount username and password.
 6. Select yes to enable notifications (which will let you know if a new user is requesting permission to access your stable data or if a horse that has been scanned to your stable is scanned by an unknown user); if you choose no, this cannot be changed unless you delete the app and re-install it
 7. Choose whether or not to enable GPS, which allows for passive transmission of your horse’s location at the time of scanning.
 8. Create a screen name and Farm/Business name. Then choose a farm/business type.
 9. Verify your settings (temperature in centigrade or Fahrenheit, using Touch ID/Face ID to sign-in to the app).
 10. Scan your horse’s microchip.

