

21—65.4(163) Cattle and bison.**65.4(1) General.**

a. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI). All cattle and bison imported into the state must be accompanied by a CVI, except the following:

- (1) Cattle or bison consigned directly to a specifically approved auction market, and
- (2) Cattle or bison consigned directly to a recognized slaughter establishment.

b. Identification. All cattle and bison imported into the state must have official individual identification, except as otherwise provided in this rule.

65.4(2) Requirements and limitations, general.

a. Cattle or bison originating from herds or areas under quarantine shall not be admitted into the state.

b. Cattle or bison known to be infected with Johne's disease shall not be imported except to a recognized slaughter establishment and shall be accompanied by an owner-shipper statement that identifies the animals as positive to an official Johne's disease test. Such statement shall be delivered to the consignee, unless prior approval is obtained from the state veterinarian.

c. Cattle (beef-type) and bison steers and heifers more than 6 months of age but less than 18 months of age may be imported for feeding purposes without official individual identification and quarantined to the premises of destination. However, cattle and bison originating from a state which is not a tuberculosis-free state and heifers originating from a state which is not a brucellosis-free state are not eligible for this identification exemption. The CVI must contain the statement: "These animals are quarantined to the premises of destination until moved to slaughter."

65.4(3) Testing.

a. Tuberculosis test. Testing requirements for tuberculosis are as follows:

(1) A tuberculosis test is not required for importation of cattle or bison provided that:

1. The cattle or bison are native to, and originate from, an accredited tuberculosis-free herd (accredited herd number and date of last test must be listed on the CVI), state, or zone; or

2. The cattle (beef-type) and bison are between the ages of 6 months and 18 months and are being imported for feeding purposes.

(2) A negative tuberculosis test is required within 60 days prior to importation for cattle or bison six months of age or older that are not exempted by 65.4(3) "a"(1).

(3) Cattle and bison less than 6 months of age that originate from a herd, state, or zone that is not accredited as tuberculosis-free or as modified accredited advanced must originate from a herd which has been whole-herd tested negative for tuberculosis within 12 months prior to importation.

b. Brucellosis test.

(1) A brucellosis test is not required for importation of cattle or bison provided that:

1. The cattle or bison are native to, and originate from, a certified brucellosis-free herd (herd number and date of last test shall be listed on the CVI), state, or area; or

2. The cattle and bison are official calfhood vaccinates under 18 months of age; or

3. The cattle and bison are steers or spayed heifers.

(2) A negative brucellosis test is required within 30 days prior to importation for cattle or bison six months of age or older that are not exempted by 65.4(3) "b"(1).

(3) Cattle and bison less than 6 months of age that originate from a herd, state or zone that is not certified brucellosis-free must originate from a herd which has been whole-herd tested negative for brucellosis within 12 months prior to importation.

(4) All brucellosis tests of cattle and bison shall be conducted by state or federal laboratories or by approved laboratories under the supervision of the chief livestock health official of the state of origin.

c. Trichomoniasis test. A bull must have a negative trichomoniasis test within 30 days prior to importation and have no subsequent sexual exposure. The trichomoniasis test is either one negative polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test or three consecutive weekly negative trichomoniasis foetus cultures. This testing requirement does not apply if the bull is:

(1) Under the age of 24 months and listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection as "virgin" or not having been sexually exposed to any female;

- (2) Being sent directly to slaughter or to an auction market and directly to slaughter; or
- (3) Temporarily in the state for a rodeo or exhibition and leaves after the event.

65.4(4) *Rodeo bulls.*

- a. Tuberculosis test.* A negative tuberculosis test is required within 12 months prior to importation.
- b. Brucellosis test.* A negative brucellosis test is required within 12 months prior to importation.

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